

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Town Board—Town of Amity
August 2, 2010**

Present: Supervisor: Lois Reynolds
Councilman: Jeff Zenoski, Mark Presutti and John Francisco.
Town clerk: Richard Winterhalter
Highway Superintendent: Jim Reniff

Absent: Brian Clendenin

Also Present:

Supervisor Lois Reynolds called the Regular Town Board meeting to order at 7:01PM

Mark Presutti was late arriving. Supervisor Lois Reynolds voted on all motions until the arrival of Councilman Mark Presutti.

The Town Clerk presented minutes from previous meetings to the board. Reading of the minutes was waived. Each member of the board had a copy of the minutes which they read. Motion to accept made by John Francisco and second by Jeff Zenoski Motion Carried 3-0-0.

Discussion of the upcoming negotiations for the town crew's contract was discussed. The town wants to do what is best for the crew and what is also best for the town. No decisions were made. No votes were taken.

Highway Superintendent Jim Reniff reported that the crew was currently cleaning pipes, cleaning ditches and trimming trees. The Town crew's big upcoming project will be to blacktop Saunders Hill Road.

Town Clerk made a presentation regarding the Town Laws to be voted on by the Council regarding the reason the elected terms of the Supervisor, Clerk and Highway Superintendent should be increased from a two year term to a 4 year term. Since all board members were not present a vote was postponed until the next meeting.

Assessor Sandy Keenan has sent an E-Mail to all board members regarding the new assessment. All members had not read the mail yet. Clerk Winterhalter did not get the email. Abstracts were Reviewed by all Council members.

The counties resolution 140-10 for the snow and ice removal was read, discussed by councilmen. This resolution has been filed in FC-1 Drawer 1 under snow and ice contracts. John Francisco moved to accept Town Resolution 2010-009. Resolution Approving County resolution 140-10. A second was made by Jeff Zenoski. Motion Carried 3-0-0.

A meeting regarding the truck stop will be held within the next week. Supervisor Reynolds will attend. She reported that that they are trying to get the truck top out of Chapter 11 so that it can be sold. Discussion followed regarding keeping the area clean. It was reported that water is the key issue. Friendship has enough water and the capacity to get it to the area of the truck stop.

Councilmen were asked to consider the matter. The Town of Amity needs to have some resolution. No motions were made no were votes taken.

Councilman Mark Presutti arrived at 7:21PM.

The Truck Stop Issue was re discussed for the benefit of Councilman Presutti.

The town of Barker's resolution regarding the Marcellus Shale natural gas formation production potential was discussed by the Board. Members were asked to take a copy of the Barker's resolution home and consider if the Town of Amity should adopt a similar Resolution. A copy of The Town of Barker's resolution will be an attachment to these minutes.

The abstracts were present to the Council.

General Fund Abstract – 14 *Vouchers* 173 – 188 *Total* \$ 20,406.41
Highway Fund Abstract- #14 *Vouchers* 159 - 166 *Total* \$17,697.15

A motion was made by Councilman Presutti to approve the bills 2nd by Councilman Francisco passed 3-0-0

Next Regular Meeting for the Town of Amity was changed from Sept 6th which is labor day to *Sept 7th at 7:00 PM.*

Motion to adjourn made by Jeff Zenoski. The second was made by Mark Presutti. Carried 3-0-0.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:52.

Respectfully yours,

Richard Winterhalter,
Town Clerk