

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
Town Board—Town of Amity  
January 4, 2010**

Supervisor Lois Reynolds called the Regular Town Board meeting to order at 7:00PM

**Present:** Councilman, Jeff Zenoski, Brian Clendenin and Mark Presutti John Francisco.

**Town clerk:** Richard Winterhalter

**Highway superintendent:** Jim Reniff

**Absent:**

**Also Present:** Honorable Steven Presutti

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Lois Reynolds at 7:02PM.

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 as corrected made by Mark Presutti and second by John Francisco Motion Carried 5-0-0.

Honorable Steven Presutti gave the oath of office to the newly elected town officials.

Town Clerk Richard Winterhalter

Highway Superintendent Jim Reniff.

Supervisor Lois Reynolds

Councilman Mark Presutti

Councilman John Francisco.

The Honorable Steven Presutti asked the board to consider moving the office of the Justice from the second floor to the first floor. The town board will take this matter under advisement.

Motion to accept bills made by Jeff Zenoski a second was made by Brian Clendenin. Motion carried 5-0-0.

At the *January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010* Town of Amity Regular Town Board Meeting attended by Councilmen Mark Presutti, Jeff Zenoski, John Francisco, Brian Clendenin.

Supervisor Reynolds presented the following 6 resolutions.

**Resolution 2010-001 Official Depository of all Town Funds**  
was presented to the board for vote.

I hereby resolve that:

Steuben Trust Co. of Belmont, NY be designated as official depository for all funds of the Town of Amity and that the Town Supervisor be directed to invest these funds at the highest rates of return in instruments at Steuben Trust Co or other depositories allowed by law.

I also resolve that:

Olean Times Herald will be designed as the official newspaper for 2010.

Moved by Supervisor Lois Reynolds, Seconded by Councilman Mark Presutti  
Roll Call Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstained 0.

On a vote of 5-0-0 the town supervisor declared the Resolution is adopted.

**Resolution 2010-002 Town Salaries.**

I hereby resolve that the Town Board hereby fix the salaries of elected and appointed Town of Amity Officials for the year 2010 as follows:

Lois Reynolds	Supervisor	\$2,000.00	Year
	Town Councilmen	\$500.00	Year
Laurie Z Mead	Personal Secretary and Bookkeeper	\$10.50	Hour
Richard Winterhalter	Town Clerk	\$9,800.00	Year
Danyelle Garfield	Deputy Clerk	\$4,000.00	Year
Steve Presutti	Town Justice	\$6,800.00	Year
Linda Healy	Justice Clerk	\$4,585.00	Year
Sandy Keenan	Sale Assessor	\$9,790.00	Year
Connie Steiner	Animal Control	\$3,520.00	Year
Jim Reniff	Highway Superintendent	\$47,155.00	Year
	Board Of Assessment Chairman	\$135.00	Year
John Clause	Code Enforcement / Building Inspector	\$0.00	Year
	Office Cleaning	\$9.03	Hour
Richard Winterhalter	Tax Collector	\$3,000.00	Year

Moved by Supervisor Lois Reynolds, Seconded by Councilman Mark Presutti  
Roll Call Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstained 0.

On a vote of 5-0-0 the town supervisor declared the Resolution is adopted.

**Resolution No. 2010-003 Paying of Monthly Bills**

Offered by: Supervisor Lois Reynolds

I hereby resolve that the Town Supervisor be authorized to purchase postage and pay monthly utility bills in advance of approval at semi monthly board meetings so as to avoid any penalty for late charges and that pre-paid utility and postage checks will be countersigned by the Town Clerk and Town Supervisor or alternate Town Councilman and abstract for said checks will be presented at the next scheduled Town Board Meeting.

Moved by Supervisor Lois Reynolds, Seconded by Councilman Mark Presutti  
Roll Call Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstained 0.

On a vote of 5-0-0 the town supervisor declared the Resolution is adopted.

**Resolution No. 2010-004 Town Board Meetings**

Offered by: Supervisor Lois Reynolds

I hereby resolve that

The regular Town Board Meetings will be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at the Town and Village Hall at 1 Schuyler Street Belmont, NY 14813 with the following exceptions

- a. One meeting on the first Monday in the months of July and August.
- b. When the meeting falls on a legal holiday the meeting will be held on an alternate day chosen by the board.

- c. Additions to regular board meeting days. Additional meeting days will be scheduled to formulate a budget for the next fiscal year.

Moved by Supervisor Lois Reynolds, Seconded by Councilman Mark Presutti  
Roll Call Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstained 0.

On a vote of 5-0-0 the town supervisor declared the Resolution is adopted.

**Resolution No. 2010-005 Compensation for use of private vehicles for town business.**

Offered by: Supervisor Lois Reynolds

I hereby resolve that

The Town Officers and Employees when directed by the Supervisor shall be compensated for the use of their private motor vehicles in the performance of the official duties at the rate of \$.45 (No Dollars and 45 cents) per mile.

Moved by Supervisor Lois Reynolds, Seconded by Councilman Mark Presutti  
Roll Call Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstained 0.

On a vote of 5-0-0 the town supervisor declared the Resolution is adopted.

**Resolution No. 2010-006 Town Board Meetings**

Offered by: Supervisor Lois Reynolds

I hereby resolve that

Current Town of Amity Procurement policy continues in effect as adopted in 2001 by resolution 2001-15.

Moved by Supervisor Lois Reynolds, Seconded by Councilman Mark Presutti  
Roll Call Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstained 0.

On a vote of 5-0-0 the town supervisor declared the Resolution is adopted.

too late.

Bob Ellis has resigned from the Planning board as of December 28<sup>th</sup> 2009.

The planning board has completed the comprehensive planning phase. A maintenance board should be selected at another meeting. It will still be called a planning board but will be only for site review for commercial only. It will not be used for residential review. The planning board will review and pass the review which will be provided to the Council for final approval. Supervisor Reynolds requested the council give some consideration to who may serve on the Planning board and be prepared to discuss these names at a later meeting.

The board of Assessment Review has had two resignations. The names were not mentioned at this meeting. The County will be providing new names and terms at a later time.

The State has notified the Council that the Justice must be moved to the first level of Town Hall. Lois had submitted two requests for Grants to pay for the remodeling of the firehall. Neither Grant was given. Councilman Mark Presutti will help devise a plan with Justice Steven Presutti and the Village of Belmont to implement this move.

Superintendent Jim Reniff reported that everything was normal with the Town Highway department.

Last week Rick Hoshal Belmont Town Clerk discovered that one of the boilers has a leak. Tim Shea Plumbing and Heating has been called. Repairs were scheduled for the Week of January 11<sup>th</sup>. The Village Mayor suggested that a maintenance contract be drawn up between Shea and the Town of Amity which would be for the maintenance and repair of the heating system. Consideration will be given to this idea.

The town had not paid EDD Zone it was in last years budget. A question regarding payment was raised by Councilman Mark Presutti. He reminded the council that EDD has not done anything. Mark indicated they should be paid as budgeted for 2009.

Councilman Mark Presutti does not like the budget reports as provided by the software being used. Specific examples were a percentage is used. The numbers would be more meaningful if they were expressed as beginning, Ending amount expended and remaining amount.

Supervisor Reynolds reminded the board that revenue from last year was estimated too high. All the revenue that was expected was not received. It was discussed rather to consult with an expert. This idea will be taken under consideration.

Councilman Presutti spoke to Superintendent Reniff regarding having the town employees to think about what they would want in the next union contract. The current contract expires at the end of this year.

Supervisor Reynolds led a discussion regarding what the yearly increase should be as a percentage of Gross pay based on Cost of Living but has normally been a 3% of hourly rate which is in line with what the village gave. Also discussed was the possibility of having step raises. This idea would need to be approved by the Union.

Supervisor Reynolds reported that a carry over of \$20,000 would be the carry over of money from last year. \$10,000 would go to Highway as result of a sale of one of the trucks.

Motion to adjourn made by Jeff Zenoski, second by Mark Presutti. Carried 5-0-0. Meeting Adjourned at 8:02PM.

Next Regular Meeting for the Town of Amity was set for *January 18, 2010 at 7:00 PM.*

Respectfully yours,

Richard Winterhalter,  
Town Clerk