

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Town Board—Town of Amity
April 19, 2010**

Supervisor Lois Reynolds called the Regular Town Board meeting to order at 7:07PM
Present: Councilman, , Jon Francisco Mark Presutti and Brian Clendenin
Highway Superintendent: Jim Reniff
Town clerk: Richard Winterhalter
Absent: Councilman Jeff Zenoski
Also Present : Brandon LaValley, Robert W McCarty

The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM by Supervisor Lois Reynolds.

Reading of the minutes was waived. Each member was e-mailed a copy of the minutes prior to this meeting. Supervisor Reynolds requested two changes regarding the wording of the hazard mitigation plan. These corrections will be made prior to filing. Motion to accept as corrected made by John Francisco and second by Mark Presutti Motion Carried 3-0-0.

Robert Mc Carty spoke to the board regarding the flooding problem with Plumb Bottom Creek. The board explained to Mr McCarty and Mr. LaValley that a plan would need to be submitted in regards to the problems and a solution. Robert indicated he had talked to DEC and that the creek is not protected. He indicated that it would be necessary to submit a plan. Superintendent Reniff had submitted a plan. Superintendent Reniff reported that it may be necessary to submit a water quality plan submitted to the Army Corps of Engineers. If requested the report would need to be submitted to DEC and that the Army Corps of Engineers would be involved in any work that needs to be done.

After additional discussion Supervisor Reynolds asked Mr. LaValley and Mr. McCarty what was being asked of the Board. The Reply was to make the banks higher on the Creek. Supervisor Reynolds replied that the Town could not do it now. We do not have the equipment and DEC has shut the Town down from doing any work of this nature. Superintendent Reniff reported that all the Town owns are the bridges. He also reported on the problems and the requested required to clean or maintain the bridges

The Soil and Water can apply for grants. Money is available. The work would then be contracted out.

Supervisor Reynolds told the guests that even though the creek is unprotected it does flow into the Genesee River. Permits would be required which would take some time. She feels that once approvals were done which may take up to 6 months the work would be done.

Supervisor Reynolds reported what the Town could do which is not much. Can pick something straight out if the banks are not disturbed and that the impediment was interfering with a bridge.

Supervisor Reynolds has done some investigating. She stated the Army Corps of Engineers has not yet replied. She then stated that the best course of action would be to have Soil and Water do the work. They can do it.

The board recommended that getting the paper work done should be started as soon as possible.

Mark Presutti offered help if help was required in getting the process started.

Abstracts were reviewed by all Council members

General Fund Abstract – #8 Vouchers 94-98 Total \$12,626.03
Highway Fund Abstract- #8 Vouchers 80-92 Total \$21,950.66

A motion was made by Councilman _____ to approve the bills 2nd by Councilman _____
Carried 4-0-0

'Superintendent Reniff reported that the bucket truck which was discussed and approved in previous meetings would be purchased sometime during the week of 4/19 to 4/26.

Village Clerk Hoshal presented to the Board a bid to paint the wood parts of the Town Hall building which would include scrapping and re caulking of the windows. The bid was for 11,760.00, Clerk Hoshal explained in detail what the bidders would do. The name of the bidder is All-in painting.

The Town board took this under consideration. After a detailed discussion it was decided that Brian Clendinen would talk to the persons making the bid to gather additional information. It was further decided that additional bids would be required. The discussion ended with a final decision that advertisements would be placed with the purpose of securing additional bids. Brian Clendenon would help provide specifications to be used for the additional advertisements.

A discussion regarding the Appalachian Regional Commission for area development was discussed. Allegany County is a at risk county. The discussion included information regarding the percentages allowed to a project (70%) and the maximum amount that can be obtained (\$150,000).

Supervisor Reynolds asked the board to think about things that could be done which might help the region become economically competitive. These projects would be limited to things that would bring industry in.

A discussion resulted in no decisions.

Additional discussions regarding this would continue in additional information.

Supervisor Reynolds will contact County Legislator Fred Sinclair regarding what the town is to do regarding the hazard mitigation update.

Next Regular Meeting for the Town of Amity was set for *May 5, 2010 at 7:00 PM.*

Motion to adjourn made by Mark Presutti. The second was made by John Francisco
The meeting was adjourned at 8:06PM .

Respectfully yours,

Richard Winterhalter,
Town Clerk