

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Town Board—Town of Amity
April 5, 2010**

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

Absent: Jeff Zenoski

Also Present: Miranda Van Dyke

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

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 Mark Presutti and second by Brian Clendenin Motion Carried 4-0-0.

Motion to accept minutes of the previous meeting held 3/15/2010 was made by John Francisco and Seconded by Brian Clendenin. Motion carried 4-0-0.

A discussion of the Zero Turn Farris Lawn mower followed. A motion to purchase this lawn mower was made by Mark Presutti and seconded by John Francisco. Motion carried 4-0-0.

A discussion of the bucket truck being sold by Ron Preston. Jim Reniff reported that he had inspected the truck. It was in excellent shape. He also checked regarding insurance. He reported that it was not necessary for a operator to be certified. A motion by John Francisco and seconded by Brian Clendenin to purchase this truck. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Jim Reniff reported that the bridge repair at Irish Settlement was under way and on schedule. Cost of project will be turned into CHIPS.

Lois Reynolds brought up the need for two persons to be assigned to the Board of Assessment Review. Three persons were asked. Charles Criss Jr, Louise Windus, and Vincent Evans. Charles Criss Jr. and Louise Windus accepted the invitation to be appointed. Vincent Evans declined. Lois presented resolution 2010-008 to appoint two persons. She indicated that the Town was a little late in getting this done but that the real property department was working with this board in this regard.

Town of Amity

Resolution No. 2010-008

Title: Appoint Two members to Board of Assessment Review
Offered by: Lois Reynolds

At the April 5,2010 Town of Amity Regular Town Board Meeting attended by Councilmen Mark Presutti, John Franscisco, Brian Clendenion and supervisor Lois Reynolds

WHEREAS, The board of assessment review requires two members to replace two members who have resigned.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Charles Criss Jr. and Louise Windus be appointed to the board of assessment review.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that an official copy of this resolution will be presented to Allegany County Department of Real Property.

Moved by Councilman Mark Presutti, Seconded by Councilman John Francisco

Roll Call Vote:

Mark Presutti Aye

John Francisco Aye

Brian Clendenion Aye

Lois Reynolds Aye

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

Carried: 4-0-0

An official copy of this resolution will be sent to Allegany County Real Property.

The board of Assessment Review will meet April 26th, 2010 for training.

Southern Tier West (STW) will be hosting the 17th Annual Local Government Conference at Houghton College on May 5th, 2010. Members were encouraged to go. No members indicated they were going to attend. Town Clerk Richard Winterhalter indicated that one session would be of interest. Richard will probably attend this one session.

A discussion of merging of the town and Village followed. It was mentioned that the Village can be dissolved by resolution. No decisions were made.

Supervisor Reynolds presented a letter from Allegany Mutual Aid Plan regarding the need to update the current plan. This letter is included as an attachment to these minutes. Jim Reniff will be given the responsibility of updating this plan.

Supervisor Reynolds provided information from Legislator Fred Sinclair on the Allegany County Hazard Mitigation Plan, regarding the need to update FEMA every 5 years. Mr. Sinclair will work with Amity Board members to update this plan. John Francisco will make arrangements to meet with Mr. Sinclair to get this update project started.

The Electric Bills have not been split with the Village since 2006. A discussion of how to make arrangement with the Village of Belmont to pay the amounts in arrears. Mark Presutti will work with the Village to this end.

The letter to the Board written by Duane Stocking regarding his dissatisfaction with the Dog Control Office Connie Steiner was reviewed and discussed. The letter has been discussed with legal council. It has been determined that no action can be taken without a formal complaint made with law enforcement. The information provided in the letter and the information provided by the DCO were vary different. The board has requested the town clerk to write a letter to Mr. Stocking regarding this. The board will talk to the DCO. It was determined that Mr. Stocking had threatened the DCO and was arrested. The matter was then tabled.

A copy of the letter that will be written to Mr. Stocking will be an attachment to these minutes.

Miranda Van Dyke made a presentation on a project called Safe Homes Parents Network through Wellsville. A copy of the permission slip and pledge expectations of the Safe Homes Parents Network Members is an attachment to these minutes. The program's goals are to educate parents and members regarding the drug and alcohol abuses of teenagers. The program will start April 6th, 2010. The program is going to also start programs to give children something to do. Parents will be able to phone Miranda to determine if a home is a safe home for children. A web site will be up ppacentral.org can be accessed for additional information.

Miranda also provided information regarding how teenagers can get high without anyone knowing what is going on.

Abstracts were reviewed by all Council members

General Fund Abstract – 7 Vouchers 75 thru 93 Total \$ 27,027.51

Highway Fund Abstract- 7 Vouchers 70 thru 79 Total \$ \$10,057.50

A motion was made by Councilman Presutti to approve the bills 2nd by Councilman Clendenin with 4 yes passed 4-0-0

Next Regular Meeting for the Town of Amity was set for *April 19th 2010 at 7:00 PM.*

Motion to adjourn made by Brian Clendenin. The second was made by Mark Presutti

:Meeting was adjourned at 7:56 PM. .

Respectfully yours,

Richard Winterhalter,
Town Clerk