

A Town Board Meeting was held August 25, 2009 @ 7:00 PM at the West Hurley Firehouse

Presiding: Supervisor Bellows
Attending: Councilman Gill, Councilwoman Horner, Councilwoman Briggs and 10 member of the public.

Resolution # 2009-103

Offered by Councilwoman Horner

Motion to accept the minutes

Seconded By Councilman Gill

BE IT RESOLVED TO accept the July minutes.
Supervisor Bellows voted aye, Councilman Gill voted aye, Councilwoman Horner voted aye, and Councilwoman Briggs abstained

Resolution # 2009-104

Offered by Supervisor Bellows

Claims and Vouchers

Seconded by Councilman Gill

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board accept the audited voucher listed on Warrant # 09-08 dated 08/24/09 in the total amount of \$86,372.55
Charged as follows:

General Fund \$ 49,866.36
Lighting: \$ 492.86
Capital Projects: H \$1,897.50

Highway Fund: \$ 31,302.87
Trust & Agency: \$2,813.96

ALL VOTED AYE

Resolution # 2009-105

Offered by Supervisor Bellows

Town Clerks Report

Seconded by Councilwoman Briggs

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the Town Clerks Report.

ALL VOTED AYE

Resolution # 2009-106

Offered By Councilwoman Briggs

Supervisor Report

Seconded by Councilwoman Horner

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the Supervisors report.

ALL VOTED AYE

Town Board Business

1. First piece of business on the agenda is we have been advised by our attorneys that Hurley has won its case against NYC and we have prevailed with the assessment. The sad part is that the judge did not take a stance where they actually put the valuation on the reservoir so we already have two other law suits filed against the town. Supervisor Bellows is going to be to round up some people in the County and to have a meeting with the DEP and hopefully to prevail.
2. Supervisor Bellows will put together a summary of the OWB corrections that were talked about have them to you in the month of September before the town board meeting and we can vote on those changes.
3. The library needs new electrical service. We have been in discussions with them. The town of Hurley does own that building. They are willing to pay for the electrical work. They have one bid for about \$1,300 to install a new 100 amp service. Everyone was in agreement and Supervisor Bellows will send a letter to tell them to have the work done.
4. There was a letter addressed to Brinnier and Larios and it talks about the estimate on Eagles Nest Road. They submit a proposal for the above-referenced project. Eagles Nest Road is very steep and the underneath part of the road gave way and slid down because of the rain. The road is pretty unstable. We need to shore up that whole area so the whole road doesn't give way. The Town Board was in agreement that we need to get this done as it is an emergency situation. Supervisor Bellows will go ahead and sign this acceptance.
5. The head stones at the old burial ground in Hurley on Main Street broke when a tree came down. There is no insurance coverage. According to Wally Cook, the president of the Hurley Heritage Society they agreed to pay \$1,500 repair. They are also looking for a \$1,000 grant.

The town itself puts away about \$3,000 a year for tree trimming in that area. It's hard to get in that area. We are going to have to do an assessment and clear out that area. Supervisor Bellows will update us on the results.

6. Hook and Walnut Street – We still have 3 outstanding easements at this time.

7. There was an issue with the Hurley little league field. There is a blockage for the water to move away from the field and that the owner's of that business next to the field was not receptive in discussing the matter. Supervisor Bellows talked with the Town of Ulster and asked him to step in and try to help out. He will get back with the supervisor on any progress.

8. NY Board Underwriters – We are waiting for what there hourly prices are.

9. Ryan and Ryan insurance have become the new brokers for the insurance for the Town of Hurley. This was no cost to the town. They will start on Sept. 1st.

10. Supervisor Bellows will be meeting with the Lower Esopus group. They authored a letter to Mr. Janeway asking that we start a release program from the Ashokan reservoir into the lower Esopus creek during the most critical times and mostly in early April. We have been trying to work with the DEP. We'll keep the board updated.

11. We have an interesting situation with a property owner in West Hurley, its call the Heinitz property on Route 28 A. The NYC DEP was kind enough to come in and put in a culvert to take water off this gentlemen's property. Unfortunately, the culvert sits about 4 feet higher than the water. This poor family has a lake in their back yard. They are very concerned about it as are we because it's making their basement wet and everything else. We are trying to get with Brinier and Larios and talk about lowering that grate so the water can flow into it and be carried out.

12. Walkway over the Hudson is taking place the weekend of October 3rd and there are many activities planned. The walkway committee would like every town to send a bus load of people to be at the event.

13. We have received a check from the State of New York for the Hudson Valley Estuary grant which was applied for a number of years ago. We were able to piece together the needed information submitted it and received a check for \$22,756.66.

14. We have surplus equipment that needs to be disposed of

15. The UC resource recovery agency is going to have a hazardous waste and electronics e-waste collection day. They are holding it on October 10th from 8am to 2pm on Flatbush Road Kingston, New York. The recycling hotline is 845.336.3336 for Ulster county residents only.

Resolution #2009-107

Offered by Supervisor Bellows

Highway Truck

Seconded by Councilwoman Horner

WHEREAS the town of Hurley Town Board had given the Highway Superintendent permission to seek bids for a New F350 Ford of Equivalent with a Utility Body; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Hurley has received two bid offers for the truck, which were opened and read at the August 13, 2009 Town Board Meeting; and

WHEREAS, the tow bidder were Metro Ford and Rhinebeck Ford; and

WHEREAS, Metro Ford does not meet the specification and requested their bid to be withdrawn; so

THEREFORE, now let it be resolved that the Town of Hurley Town Board award the bid to Rhinebeck Ford for the 2009 F 350 Ford with a Utility Body for the sum of \$40,435.29. The funding for this purchase is to be paid out of Highway Capital Projects Fund 3H.

ALL VOTED AYE

The bids for Dughill culvert replacement were opened on Friday Aug. 14, 2009. The results were as follows

Advanced Enterprise -\$36937.00

Arold Construction- \$38240.00

B&K Excavation-\$39,200.00

Leo Boice & Son- \$34,300.00

Mombaccus Excavating-\$31,850.00

Roehrs Construction-\$31,800.00

Sun-Up Enterprises-\$55,400.00

Werlau Enterprises-\$46,238.00

Resolution # 2009-108
Offered by Councilman Gill

Replacement of Dughill Culvert
Seconded by Councilwoman Horner

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the low bid of \$31,800.00 from Roehrs Construction for the Dughill Road culvert replacement.

ALL VOTED AYE

From Depts

1. Councilwoman Briggs talked about some leaks at the town hall and there may be some caulking needed. Also the gutters should be checked.
There is logging going on at Eagles Nest Road and we should look into the codes for logging.
2. Councilwoman Horner asked about Bristol Hill. Supervisor Bellows said the DEP has to review it.
3. Superintendent Russell said that the highway was finished paving Van Dale Road.
4. Marlin Klinger is going to look into some repairs in the kitchen at the park.

From the Floor:

A town resident who has lived in West Hurley for 14 years had a situation with loud parties going on. She also said that there was probably underage drinking. Supervisor Bellows advised her to call the state police and also have some of neighbors also call. The town does not have a noise ordinance.

Motion to Adjourn was made by Councilman Gill, seconded by Councilwoman Horner and all voted aye.

Judy Mayhon, Town Clerk