

A regular meeting of the Town Board was held at the West Hurley Firehouse on February 25, 2008 @ 7:00 PM

Presiding: Supervisor Gary Bellows
Attending: Councilman John Gill, Councilwoman Karin Horner, Councilwoman Kate Hyman
Also present: Highway Superintendent Clyde Russell, Virginia Stark, James Craven, 30 members of the public.

Resolution # 2008-60

Offered by Councilman Gill

Motion to accept the minutes

Seconded by Councilwoman Horner

BE IT RESOLVED TO accept the January minutes.

ALL VOTED AYE

Resolution # 2008-61

Offered by Councilwoman Gill

Claims and Vouchers

Seconded by Councilwoman Horner

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board accept the audited vouchers listed on Warrant # 08 02 dated 2/22/08 in the total amount of \$872,709.74.

Charged as follows:

General Fund \$51,386.74

Total Highway Fund: \$62,656.68

Lighting: \$541.54

Trust & Agency: 22,918.80

Capital Projects: H \$550.00

Capital Project: \$1130.00

Special Districts- Library & Fire: \$733,462.54

ALL VOTED AYE

Resolution# 2008-62

Offered by Councilman Gill

Supervisors Report

Seconded by Councilwoman Horner

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the Supervisor report.

ALL VOTED AYE

OLD BUSINESS

1. Councilman Gill said that they are waiting for Attorney Ragus to turn over the paperwork on Williams Lane to Attorney Darwak.
2. We need to get a list of the top five roads that need repair from Superintendent Russell.
3. Top drainage projects are Bristol Hill, Hook & Walnut, Broad & Birch, and Griffin Drive in Rolling Meadows.
4. Waivers are being sent out for owners of Outdoor wood burners to sign.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Supervisor Bellows had meetings with New York City DEP to discuss and a couple of areas and one of those is in regard to the current law suit. He asked if New York City would be willing to meet outside of a court room to discuss in more detail the lawsuit. We are hoping to be able to move this forward in a very positive matter.
2. Supervisor Bellows asked the DEP if they would be willing to open up the gate at Ashokan Field Campus.
3. DEP is looking to purchase 3.24 acres on Lennox Ave., Whiting Rd and Old Rt. 28. Supervisor Bellows is looking for feedback from the planning board, zoning board or the building inspector on whether this property would not be a good purchase for the DEP.
4. The State DOT is going to hold a conference on February 29th in Poughkeepsie at the Best Western from 4-6pm.
5. Supervisor Bellows handed out to the Town Board Members and also to Superintendent Russell an article that was in the paper and it seems that Kosco has donated some heating oil. We have been getting calls from residents who unfortunately have been caught shorthanded. We're obligated to deliver 5 gallons to get someone through a rough period. We'll get this article posted on the board for people who are in need.

6. Time Warner is making changes on there system again so I'll post this newest one to go with the other 3 we have received recently and if anybody has any questions there is certainly a contact person here, Brenda Parks...feel free to give her a shout.
7. The Catskill Watershed Corporation are going to hold a class and this class can be used to meet the 4-hour annual training requirement for the planning and zoning boards. Verification forms will be provided to those who will complete the classes and this will be held on March 19th and the snow date is the 20th.
8. Supervisor Bellows would like to thank Senator Bonacic. He had sponsored a bill through the Senate that would include the Esopus Creek in the legislation. There are grants that are available to not only improve the water front areas but also for flood mitigation. The legislation that has passed the Senate and I think that is on its way to the governor to be signed. The legislation is on his website if anybody would like to go on and read it in more detail.
9. Supervisor Bellows has contacted the Highway Department and as some of you remember over 2 years ago there was a disaster up on Theilspape and the road was wiped out back there and we qualified for about \$90,000 worth of money. There is \$20,000 that we have received so far but an additional \$70,000 is not accounted for so we are going to get together and quiz the FEMA people on where the money is and why it has not been reimbursed.
10. All employees and volunteers of the Town are required to sign the Ethics Disclosure form each year.
11. We would like to have a resolution to allow Supervisor Bellows to sign paperwork for the grant of approximately \$18,000 for the Dug Hill Park. Janet has been working with the recreation commission and that they came back with a recommendation that they would like to have a gate put up at the Town Park.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution # 2008-63:

Offered Supervisor Bellows

Hazards Mitigation

Seconded by Councilman Gill

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Hurley is participating in Development of the Ulster County Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan.

ALL VOTED AYE

RESOLUTION 2008 #64:

Offered by Supervisor Bellows

Board of Assessment Review Appointment

Seconded by Councilwoman Horner

BE IT RESOLVED to reappoint Doug Eighmey to the Board of Assessment Review with a term ending 12/31/2012. .

ALL VOTED AYE

RESOLUTION 2008 #65:

Offered by Councilwoman Horner

ETHICS COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT

Seconded by Councilman Gill

WHEREAS, Charles Stickley's term on the Ethics Committee expired on December 31, 2007

BE IT RESOLVED to reappoint Charles Stickley to the Ethics Committee for a new three year term ending 12/31/2010.

ALL VOTED AYE

RESOLUTION 2008 #66:

Offered by Councilman Gill

TRACTOR BID ACCEPTED

Seconded by Councilwoman Hyman

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the bid from Keil Equipment of \$76,686.00 for the highway tractor.

ALL VOTED AYE

From the Floor:

1. David Gutierrez West Hurley Fire Chief- Because of the tragedy in Marbletown the Town should be helping the people in our community especially seniors.
- 2.. Joan Paccione wanted know what influence the town had over the county roads.
3. Mike Shultis- wanted the town to continue with the projects at Dug Hill Park

4. Robert Suda wanted to thank the Town Board for moving ahead on the drainage project in Rolling Meadows.

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

Judy Mayhon, Town Clerk