

REGULAR MEETING - MAY 13, 2008

The regular meeting of the Town Board of St. Armand was held on the above date at the Town Hall, Bloomingdale, NY.

PRESENT: Supervisor Joyce W. Morency, Deputy Supervisor, Charles Whitson, Jr.
Councilmen Earl J. Dakin, Jr., Samuel Grimone, Thomas Jones, Town Clerk
Cynthia A. Woodson, Town Historian Don Amell

GUESTS: DeForest & Arlene Tinkler, John Jones, Connie & Bucky Willette, Mark &
Heather Damour, Mr. & Mrs. Perryman, Alan Roberts, and Jim Abendroth

Supervisor Morency called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Don Amell.

RESOLUTION #29 - MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilman Grimone, and seconded by Councilman Dakin, to accept the Regular Town Board meeting minutes of April 11, 2008. All were in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #30 - MONTHLY BILLS

GENERAL: Vouchers # 83 - 108, Abstract #5	\$ 7,773.69
HIGHWAY: Vouchers #76 - 94, Abstract #5	\$21,618.07
WATER & SEWER: Vouchers #48 - 59, Abstract #5	\$ 5,447.68
RESERVOIR PROJECT: Requisitions #28 & 29	\$24,589.92

A motion was made by Councilman Whitson, and seconded by Councilman Jones, to accept and pay this month's bills. All were in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #31 - SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

RECEIPTS:	\$ 87,901.55
DISBURSEMENTS:	\$108,157.32
CHECKING BALANCES:	\$162,437.69
SAVINGS BALANCES:	\$681,929.09
CASH BALANCES:	\$867,483.68
WATER & SEWER BALANCE:	\$ 8,260.52

A motion was made by Councilman Dakin, and seconded by Councilman Whitson, to accept the Supervisor's Report, Water & Sewer Report, and Financial Reports. All were in favor. Motion carried.

CABLE BILL

Councilman Grimone asked if the cost of the Time Warner cable bill could be reduced at Connie Willette's house since it is out of her home, and not at the Town Hall. Supervisor Morency said she will call and see what she can do.

HYDE FUEL BILL

Councilman Jones asked if the Town could get a State Contract for the gas and diesel fuel. Supervisor Morency said she didn't really know if one is available. She stated that the convenience of late night calls and service calls has its benefits. We may lose that with a State Contract. Councilman Grimone said that Adirondack Oil has a State Contract from Malone.

HIGHWAY

WEST MAIN STREET

Mark & Heather Damour, neighbors of Tom Jones, said they would like to get the road paved this year. The road is damaging their car and others have said the same. Heather said that

they were told they could not get mail delivered on a dirt road. Supervisor Morency stated that Roger (Highway Superintendent) has not finished his list of what roads will be worked on this year. Supervisor Morency said that Roger will do the roads that have high priority. He is the Highway Superintendent and he makes the final decisions.

Councilman Jones said that the priority is to blacktop roads that need it and not re-surfaced blacktop to other roads. Heather asked if the Water and Sewer lines will be going up there soon. Supervisor Morency said no.

Mr. DeForest Tinkler said that he and his wife are not in favor of paving the road as it will only increase the speeding through there. With the dirt road some vehicles are traveling too fast to begin with and that may be why they are having problems with their cars.

VISTA DRIVE

Mr. & Mrs. Perryman asked if the road will be paved this year. Supervisor Morency stated that it was going to be done last year, but there were other issues that had to be taken care of at Vista Drive. She said that Roger will need to talk to Fred Buck at the county and can look at it and see what he can do.

2008 BLACKTOP PRICES FOR ROAD PROJECTS

Supervisor Morency received the prices for the road projects this year.

Delivered 2007		Delivered 2008	Pickup 2008
53.00	Armor Coat	60.85	54.25
48.00	Top	55.95	49.25
44.00	Binder	52.70	45.75

Supervisor Morency has received the contract agreement for St. Armand. She has asked for two separate resolutions for adoption.

2009 - 2010 SNOW AND ICE EXTENSION AGREEMENT

RESOLUTION #32 - SNOW AND ICE EXTENSION AGREEMENT

Councilman Grimone, who moved its adoption, offered the following resolution.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUPERVISOR JOYCE W. MORENCY TO EXECUTE AND SIGN THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SNOW AND ICE EXTENSION AGREEMENT FOR THE 2009/2010 CONTRACT.

WHEREAS, a Resolution of the Town Board of the Town of St. Armand authorizing Supervisor Joyce W. Morency to execute and sign the Snow and Ice Extension Agreement for the season beginning July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 for the Essex County roads in the Town of St. Armand.

WHEREAS, the Fixed Lump Sum Snow and Ice Agreement Between New York State Department of Transportation (Commissioner) and St. Armand (Municipality) is hereby extended for a period of one year; expiring on June 30, 2010.

WHEREAS, the State Highways or parts thereof affected by this Agreement are as delineated on the attached map, agreed upon by the Commissioner and the Municipality, which shall be effective for the remainder of the term of the Agreement commencing July 1, 2009, unless changed by future agreement between the Commissioner and the Municipality.

WHEREAS, all the terms and condition of the original contract remain in effect except as follows. The lump sum payment Agreement shall be \$7,074.05 per lane mile for 14.6 lane miles for a total of \$103,281.18 for the 2009/2010 season and for the remainder of the term of the Agreement commencing July 1, 2009, unless changed by future update.

This Resolution was duly seconded by Councilman Dakin, and adopted as follows:

Supervisor Joyce W. Morency	AYE
Deputy Supervisor Charles Whitson, Jr.	AYE
Councilman Earl J. Dakin, Jr.	AYE
Councilman Samuel Grimone	AYE
Councilman Thomas Jones	NAY

Dated: May 13, 2008

Cynthia A. Woodson
St. Armand Town Clerk

2007/2008 SNOW AND ICE FIXED LUMP SUM CONTRACT - FUEL ADJUSTMENT

RESOLUTION #33 - SNOW AND ICE FUEL ADJUSTMENT

Resolution Authorizing Supervisor Joyce W. Morency to execute and sign the New York State Department of Transportation Snow and Ice Agreement of:
Amendment B \$3521.64

WHEREAS, A Resolution of the Town Board of the Town of St. Armand authorizing Supervisor Joyce W. Morency to execute and sign the Snow and Ice Fuel Adjustment Agreement.

This Resolution was moved by Councilman Grimone and duly seconded by Councilman Whitson and adopted as follows:

Supervisor Joyce W. Morency	AYE
Deputy Supervisor Charles Whitson, Jr.	AYE
Councilman Earl J. Dakin, Jr.	AYE
Councilman Samuel Grimone	AYE
Councilman Thomas Jones	AYE

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WATER & SEWER GRANT

Supervisor Morency stated that the surveys has been returned and the Town qualified for the five streets listed and the application has been sent in by Essex County.

CELL TOWER

Supervisor Morency said the lease in is to the Town's Attorney. There is a new contact person, Mr. Coleman Burke, working for the Verizon Company as Roy is no longer there. Supervisor Morency asked him to send a letter for the time frame for the cell tower. John Jones asked how high the tower is. Supervisor Morency said it was 40 feet. John asked why only 40 feet. Supervisor Morency said it was the Adirondack Park Agency's decision.

WATER BREAK AT BRIDGE

Councilman Jones asked that a letter be sent to Mickey Skiff for his swift response of notifying Joyce about the water problems at the bridge near the pump house on Sunday. Councilman Jones said that we could have gotten into major problems of water lost. Councilman Grimone would like the Town to give Mickey Skiff a certificate and have it framed. Councilman Jones asked if the Town would give Mickey a free quarter of water and sewer usage for his actions.

Supervisor Morency stated that 150,000 gallons of water from the Reservoir was already gone until Mickey saw the problem. She notified Bart Crary (Water & Sewer Superintendent) immediately. Councilman Whitson stated that two years ago, a shut off was replaced as the nuts and bolts were all rusty. This time it was the other shut off at a different place with the same problem.

RESOLUTION # 34 - MICKEY SKIFF

Councilman Jones, who moved its adoption, offered the following resolution.

WHEREAS A Resolution of the Town Board of St. Armand agreed to give one quarter of non-payment for his Water and Sewer bill to Mickey Skiff for his swift actions of saving the Town a lot of money for the water break.

This Resolution was duly seconded unanimously by the Town Board and adopted as follows:

Supervisor Joyce W. Morency	AYE
Deputy Supervisor Charles Whitson, Jr.	AYE
Councilman Earl J. Dakin, Jr.	AYE
Councilman Samuel Grimone	AYE
Councilman Thomas Jones	AYE

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TRUCK LEASING

Supervisor Morency stated that she, Councilman Whitson, Roger Oliver, and Mark Jerry from M.A. Jerry had a special meeting regarding a leasing agreement instead of outright buying a new truck. Councilman Whitson stated that normally one would lease a vehicle for five or six years and then have the chance to buy it. This leasing is done by taking the number of years the Town wants and each payment is toward the vehicle. You don't have to lay out all the payment at once and if you want the truck you keep it.

Councilman Whitson said the lease is cheaper than buying outright. The interest in already calculated in the price. Supervisor Morency said that they will have eight years for the warranty. Councilman Whitson said that Roger will list what he wants for the truck. Councilman Jones asked if this is the only bid. Councilman Whitson said it will be advertised for bids.

YOUTH FIELD

Councilman Whitson said that there have been more vandalism at the park. Some of the residents are helping out by reporting it. John Jones stated that the parents should be responsible to pay restitution for damages done.

Supervisor Morency said that there is still money in the account for the Town to purchase new bleachers. The cost for three sets of bleachers with double footboard planks with backing is \$3800.00 per set. They will replace three sets out of the four sets of bleachers. The best set of the four bleachers will be placed at the far corner of the field. Councilman Grimone would like to further check into another place for a cheaper cost for three new sets of bleachers. He said he will do the research and let Supervisor Morency know.

RABIES CLINIC

The rabies clinic will be on Thursday May 22 from 6:00 to 7:00 P.M. held at the Bloomingdale Volunteer Fire Department.

SPEED LIMIT SIGN

Supervisor Morency stated that Ron Millious has asked for a speed limit sign on the corner of Maple Lane and Reservoir Lane. Supervisor Morency stated that Roger told her that the Department of Transportation, Division of Traffic Engineering and Safety. Supervisor Morency said that the application goes to the Town Board then to Fred Buck at the County then to the State who sends people up from Albany to look at the road to determine if a sign is needed. If okay, the State will then send a letter to the Town Board. Supervisor Morency asked for a Resolution to do this.

RESOLUTION #35 - SPEED SIGN APPLICATION

Councilman Dakin, who moved its adoption, offered the following resolution.

WHEREAS, A Resolution of the Town Board of the Town of St. Armand to apply for an application for a speed sign on the corner of Maple and Reservoir Lanes.

This Resolution was duly seconded by Councilman Jones, and adopted as follows:

Supervisor Joyce W. Morency	AYE
Deputy Supervisor Charles Whitson, Jr.	AYE
Councilman Earl J. Dakin, Jr.	AYE
Councilman Samuel Grimone	AYE
Councilman Thomas Jones	AYE

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St. Armand Town Clerk

END OF MEETING

A motion was made by Councilman Grimone, and seconded by Councilman Whitson, to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 P.M.

I, Cynthia A. Woodson, Town Clerk for the Town of St. Armand, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct transcript of the regular board meeting minutes held on the above referenced date.

Cynthia A. Woodson
St. Armand Town Clerk