

REGULAR MEETING - APRIL 13, 2010

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

PRESENT: Supervisor Morency, Deputy Supervisor Samuel A. Grimone, Councilmen Earl J. Dakin, Jr., Thomas C. Jones, and Paul Woodruff. Town Clerk Cynthia A. Woodson.

GUESTS: Nathan Brown - ADE Reporter, Don and Alexander Amell, Sandy Hayes, Charles "Tug" Duffy, and Robert Drosdowich.

Supervisor Morency called the meeting to order at 6:35 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Grimone.

RESOLUTION #35 - MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilman Jones, and seconded by Councilman Dakin to accept the regular Town Board meeting minutes of March 9, the Public Hearing and Special Board minutes of March 16, the Public Hearing and Special Board minutes of March 23. All in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #36 - MONTHLY BILLS

GENERAL: Vouchers #84-111, Abstract #4	\$27,937.49
HIGHWAY: Vouchers #55-75, Abstract #4	\$95,529.28
WATER & SEWER: Vouchers #40-52. Abstract #4	\$ 8,310.34

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

RESOLUTION # 37 - SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

RECEIPTS:	\$120,166.96
DISBURSEMENTS:	\$169,710.66
CHECKING BALANCES:	\$ 81,143.79
SAVINGS BALANCES:	\$766,843.60
CASH BALANCES:	\$847,987.39
WATER & SEWER BALANCE:	\$ 32,779.03

A motion was made by Councilman Grimone, and seconded by Councilman Woodruff, to accept the March Supervisor's Report, and the Water & Sewer report. All in favor. Motion carried.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Robert Drosdowich stated that he has prepared a new building permit application with a new fee schedule.

RESOLUTIONS #38 - PERMIT APPLICATION

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

WHEREAS A Resolution of the Town Board of the Town of St. Armand approved the new building application permit with the new fee schedule.

Councilman Woodruff, duly seconded this resolution, and adopted as follows:

Supervisor Joyce W. Morency	AYE
Councilman Samuel A. Grimone	AYE
Councilman Earl J. Dakin, Jr.	AYE
Councilman Thomas C. Jones	AYE
Councilman Paul Woodruff	AYE

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Robert said he wants to make sure all contractors have workmen’s compensation. Councilman Grimone asked if there are regulations for sub-contractors. Robert said everyone has to have worker’s compensation, as it is the State law. Councilman Grimone thanked Robert for his help in the planning stages of the second floor of the town hall.

FRONT STEPS

Charles said he received the final piece of granite and it does match the other pieces. He needs five days of 50 degrees or warmer weather to finish the project. Councilman Jones said that at the last meeting, the steps would be started in the second week of April and it is the second week and no work is being done. Supervisor Morency said if he needs another week, then wait until another week due to the weather as it needs to be done right. Councilman Dakin asked if that means the broken doors cannot be fixed. Supervisor Morency said she has estimates to put in fiberglass, insulated doors. She hopes to get the job done quickly.

HEALTH OFFICER

Supervisor Morency said that Mayor Clyde Rabideau notified her that the health officer is being paid twice by taxpayers. Supervisor Morency said St. Armand’s portion is approximately 36 cents a year for the town’s public health officer. She said that in the 2011 budget, the St. Armand’s health officer salary will move into the Highway 1 and 1A line item, which the Village of Saranac Lake does not pay.

UNION CEMETERY

Supervisor Morency said that she met with Franklin Supervisor Art Willman to discuss a contract to make an offer to use their cemetery worker to do the work with an estimated cost of \$2500 to \$3000. She said this will be for three mowing, weed whacking, spring, and fall cleanups. Board members are interested in finding someone local to do the job before using their worker. Councilman Dakin said position should be advertised.

STREET LIGHT

Councilman Jones asked for a motion to purchase a streetlight on the corner of Goetz Way and Poplar Street. Councilman Woodruff suggested after the meeting, they drive up and

look at the situation. Supervisor Morency said she can find out how much it will cost. Robert said that residents can put a light on a private pole. Councilman Jones said that the people there pay taxes and they are worthy of a street light they are asking for. Councilman Grimone said it would be best to look at the location and determine if it is in the best place for the area.

WATER & SEWER

Bart submitted his monthly report. On Sunday, March 21, the lift station alarm went off and the station was flooded. He re-set the pumps, and cleared it of rags. On Wednesday, March 31, he met with Joyce, Connie Willette, and Howard Kunz from Rural Development. Mr. Kunz went over several matters in Joyce's office and then asked to tour the water and wastewater treatment plants. He took photos of the outside of both facilities. On April 11, he received a call from Tim Woodruff that the alarm was going off. Bart reset the switch on pump #1. On April 13, he pulled pump #1 and cleared it of rags. The month of March total amount of water pumped was 1,660,000 gallons with the average daily amount of 54,000 gallons per day. The average amount of sewage treated per day was 37,000 gallons with a total of 1,147,000 gallons treated.

TOWN HALL

On April 8, it was discovered by Rick Heath that the Town Clerk's office has been broken into. The fireproof file cabinet and regular file cabinet was destroyed. There were three moneybags and a petty-cash box that was taken. The petty cash box held approximately \$105.00 with \$5.00 in postal receipts. One of the moneybag held \$200.00 cash from a water bill paid the day before and approximately 15 checks. Another moneybag held approximately two checks for dog licenses pending the receipt of the rabies certificate. The last moneybag held miscellaneous paperwork. The moneybags are put on the clerk's desk until the end of the day then they are put away. The cash box is only taken out when change is needed. It was discovered earlier today that the tape recorder is also missing. The clerk's door is broken and needs to be replaced. The front door is damaged as well. The robber or robbers broke in through the front door and not noticed because there is plastic sheeting covering over the steps. Supervisor Morency said there is a \$1,000 deductible on the insurance.

RESOLUTION #39 - PETTY CASH

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

WHEREAS A Resolution of the Town Board of the Town of St. Armand approved replacing the petty cash money of \$110.00.

Councilman Woodruff, duly seconded this resolution, and adopted as follows:

Supervisor Joyce W. Morency	AYE
Deputy Supervisor Samuel A. Grimone	AYE
Councilman Earl J. Dakin, Jr.	AYE
Councilman Thomas C. Jones	AYE
Councilman Paul Woodruff	AYE

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SEWER PROJECT

Supervisor Morency said she has a list of 13 engineers and would like to have a motion to get requests for proposals (RFP) from them for the sewer project. The project has three items for RFP's. The first one is to improve the wastewater treatment plant, the second the collection system upgrades replacing the old trunk lines, and the third is to expand the sewer district to the unserved five streets.

RESOLUTION #40 - REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

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

WHEREAS A Resolution of the Town Board of the Town of St. Armand approved to request for proposals for the sewer projects. Supervisor Morency said the list will be sent to Elizabethtown.

Councilman Woodruff, duly seconded this resolution, and adopted as follows:

Supervisor Joyce W. Morency	AYE
Deputy Supervisor Samuel A. Grimone	AYE
Councilman Earl J. Dakin, Jr.	AYE
Councilman Thomas C. Jones	AYE
Councilman Paul Woodruff	AYE

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Supervisor Morency said she would send a letter to Senator K. Gillibrand to ask for stimulus money to help pay for the sewer project.

RESOLUTION #41 - STIMULUS MONEY

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

WHEREAS A Resolution of the Town Board of the Town of St. Armand request Supervisor Morency to send a letter to Senator Kristen Gillibrand asking for stimulus money to help pay the for the sewer project.

This resolution was duly seconded unanimously, and adopted as follows:

Supervisor Joyce W. Morency	AYE
Deputy Supervisor Samuel A. Grimone	AYE
Councilman Earl J. Dakin, Jr.	AYE
Councilman Thomas C. Jones	AYE
Councilman Paul Woodruff	AYE

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Sandy Hayes said the RFP's should be advertised in the newspaper. Supervisor Morency said that this information goes out somewhere on the market.

CELL TOWER

Supervisor Morency said she did call Senator Little about the cell tower.

RABIES CLINIC

Supervisor Morency said the rabies clinic is scheduled for May 20 at the Bloomingdale Firehouse from 6:00 to 7:00 PM.

BUILDING COMMITTEE

Supervisor Morency said there is a building committee meeting on Wednesday at 6:30 PM.

END OF MEETING

A motion was made by Councilman Grimone, and seconded by Councilman Woodruff to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 PM.

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 Public Hearing meeting minutes held on the above referenced date.

Cynthia A. Woodson
St. Armand Town Clerk