

REGULAR MEETING – JUNE 8, 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 Joyce W. Morency, Councilmen Samuel A. Grimone, Earl J. Dakin, Jr., Thomas C. Jones, Paul Woodruff. Town Clerk Cynthia A. Woodson. Highway Superintendent Roger Oliver.

GUESTS: Don Amell, Historian, Bob Sweet, and Nigel Darrah.

Supervisor Morency called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Dakin.

RESOLUTION #51 – MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilman Jones, and seconded by Councilman Woodruff, to accept the Regular Town Board meeting minutes of May 11. All were in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #52 – MONTHLY BILLS

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| GENERAL: Vouchers #140-171 Abstract #6 | \$11,171.89 |
| HIGHWAY: Vouchers #91-111 Abstract #6 | \$ 8,664.70 |
| WATER & SEWER: Vouchers #64-79, Abstract #6 | \$ 5,617.51 |

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 #53 – SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

MAY:

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| RECEIPTS: | \$ 57,853.71 |
| DISBURSEMENTS: | \$ 84,444.77 |
| CHECKING BALANCES: | \$ 98,959.02 |
| SAVINGS BALANCES: | \$617,511.02 |
| CASH BALANCES: | \$716,470.04 |
| WATER & SEWER BALANCE | \$ 49,608.75 |

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

NIGEL DARRAH

Nigel asked the town board if the rumors are true regarding that there will be no field day on Labor Day weekend. Supervisor Morency stated yes, but he needs to talk to the fire department of his concerns, as the town board has no say of the event. Nigel stated that he can get some volunteers to help with the Labor Day event. Roger said it would be best for him to talk to the chief.

HIGHWAY

Roger stated that the next road project he would like to finish is the blacktop on Moose Pond road. He asked for two requests and received one. Luck Brothers said the job is too small for them to do the paving. MJ Brunell said they would do the work for \$31,827.00. Supervisor Morency asked what the road distance is. Roger said 1400 feet. The work will consist of grinding, boil injection, grating, then paving. Joyce asked if the county could do it and Roger said they will not be in this area at the time, plus the charge will be the same.

Roger said he would like to put in a turn-around near the bottom of the Gillespie Road, and put up a seasonal sign to close off the rest of the road during winter and spring, as there are only two camps. He will call Tony at the county and find out what needs to be done.

Councilman Dakin told Roger that some residents on the Trudeau Road told him to thank the Highway department for the clean-up.

SALT

Supervisor Morency stated that there will be a new type of road salt, Thawrox Treated Salt that will be used next winter. Roger said this road salt is more effective and uses less.

FUEL

Supervisor Morency stated that she received notice from Hyde Fuel there will be changes effective July 1, 2010 to begin using E10 gasoline (up to 10% ethanol blended gasoline). This is due to the gradual change to E10 in this country, and being made from renewable resources (typically corn), therefore reducing dependence on 100% crude oil.

HYDRANTS

Bob Sweet told the board that his water is still cloudy and will not clear up. He wants to know when the hydrant on Main Street is going to be flushed, as it has not been done in years.

WATER & SEWER

Bart submitted his monthly report. His report stated that the start float for the water plant sewage lift station had become snagged and the station was almost full. The Department of Health conducted their annual sanitary inspection. It was suggested that the ceiling in the water plant be replaced, put up a structure so as to pull the pumps from the wet well safely and purchase a spare well pump for the wet well.

He was notified of water surfacing on the River Road and found it to be the 6" force main from the River Road lift station to the wastewater plant. He notified Joyce then contacted Fullers Excavating doing the repairs. A boulder had migrated up from underneath the line and caused it to crack linearly.

For the month of May, the total amount of water pumped was 1,760,000 gallons with the average daily amount of 57,000 gallons per day. The average amount of sewage treated per day was 38,000 gallons with a total of 1,115,000 gallons treated.

SHUTTLE STATION

Supervisor Morency said the toilet at the shuttle station is broken and needs to be replaced. Since there is only a small well, the water freezes in the winter and no water in the summer. She has information on three types of portable toilets, and asked for a resolution on one that everyone agrees to purchase.

RESOLUTION #54 – SHUTTLE STATION TOILET

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

WHEREAS A Resolution of the Town Board of the Town of St. Armand approve the purchase of a Sun-Mar Excel AC toilet for a cost of \$1569.00.

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

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| Supervisor Joyce W. Morency | AYE |
| Deputy Supervisor Samuel A. Grimone | AYE |
| Councilman Earl J. Dakin, Jr. | AYE |

Councilman Thomas C. Jones
Councilman Paul Woodruff

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Dated: June 8, 2010

Cynthia A. Woodson
St. Armand Town Clerk

YOUTH BUILDING

Councilman Jones inquired as to why the building was closed when he was there last week. There were people needing to use the restroom. Supervisor Morency stated that there is less money to pay Gail to keep the building open more hours. There is a sign on the building of the hours the building will be open.

STREET LIGHTING

Supervisor Morency said the street light will be put up on Poplar Street will take about four to six weeks from now.

UNION CEMETERY

Supervisor Morency said for the rest of this year, the highway men will take care of the cemetery with the mowing and cleaning up brush. Roger said that the flags for St. Armand's portion are out.

UTILITY SOFTWARE

Supervisor Morency stated that the BAS water and sewer billing software program will not be sufficient for what needs to be done. She said that Essex County is developing a water and sewer program for Jay and they will do one for St. Armand. She will have Connie write a letter to get the half of the deposit returned.

Cindy said she talked to Don Amell about moving the old water and sewer program to the new computer. Don will work on the computer in July to set everything up.

BUILDING COMMITTEE

Councilman Grimone discussed the heating of the upstairs. Roger will check to see if there is any water in the old radiators before removing. Councilman Dakin said that there is water coming into the garage from the roof and also into the electric panel box, and this should be taken care of. Councilman Grimone said the three priorities to be done this year is the outside building with the bricks and drainage, the demolition of the old Barnard building and fixing the roof to the garage.

TOWN HALL STEPS

Councilman Dakin asked when the side railings will be put in on the top platform, as there is a large gap on both sides. Councilman Grimone asked Supervisor Morency to call the Code Officer to have him check the area out.

INSURANCE ADJUSTER

Supervisor Morency said she still has not received the letter with the breakdown of all items being replaced. She called Ayres Insurance and they will check into it.

END OF MEETING

A motion was made by Councilman Grimone, and seconded by Councilman Woodruff, to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 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 Town Board meeting minutes held on the above referenced date.

Cynthia A. Woodson
St. Armand Town Clerk