

REGULAR MEETING – OCTOBER 12, 2010

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

PRESENT: Deputy Supervisor Samuel A. Grimone, Councilmen Earl J. Dakin, Jr., and Paul Woodruff. Town Clerk Cynthia A. Woodson. Highway Superintendent Roger Oliver. Code Enforcement Officer Robert Drosdowich.

EXCUSED: Supervisor Joyce W. Morency

ABSENT: Councilman Thomas C. Jones

GUESTS: Don Amell, Historian, Alexandra Gill, Sandy Hayes, Connie and Gabriel Willette, and Tim Woodruff.

Deputy Supervisor Grimone called the meeting to order at 6:33 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sandy Hayes

RESOLUTION #71 – MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilman Dakin, and seconded by Councilman Woodruff, to accept the Regular Town Board meeting minutes of September 13, and Special Board meeting minutes of September 22. All were in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #72 – MONTHLY BILLS

GENERAL: Vouchers #241-275, Abstract #10	\$ 25,335.37
HIGHWAY: Vouchers #167-187, Abstract #10	\$ 19,297.67
WATER & SEWER: Vouchers #124-137, Abstract #10	\$ 16,350.48

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

RESOLUTION #73 – SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

SEPTEMBER:

RECEIPTS:	\$ 87,929.33
DISBURSEMENTS:	\$158,093.45
CHECKING BALANCES:	\$118,405.19
SAVINGS BALANCES:	\$518,433.53
CASH BALANCES:	\$636,838.72
WATER & SEWER BALANCE	\$ 23,666.34

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

WATER & SEWER

All board members received a copy of Bart's water and sewer report. He stated that he pulled pump #1 at the River Road lift station and cleared it of rags. He finished flushing hydrants. He called Bob Martin from the Village of Saranac Lake asking for recommendation for servicing the hydrants, and was given E.J. Prescott Company. Bart was given the name of a representative Don Sherwood, and arranged to meet with him concerning the matter. Mr. Sherwood came back a week later with a representative from Waterous hydrant and met with Supervisor Morency. The representative is to fax a quote about what it would cost to do the job. Tim Woodruff asked Bart to put black plastic bags over the hydrants that are out of service. Total amount of water pumped was 1,656,000 gallons with the average daily amount of 55,000 gallons per day. The average amount of sewage treated per day was 28,000 gallons with a total of 986,000 gallons treated.

WATER & SEWER RE-LEVY

The Water & Sewer clerk provided board members with listing of names of unpaid bills. This month the re-levy of the water and sewer non-payments will begin. Clerk will send out letters to the individuals; the majority of them will come in to pay before the re-levy process.

HYDRANTS

Deputy Supervisor Grimone stated that something needs to be done with the faulty hydrants; whether replace with new or do repairs. He stated that the Prescott company has given two quotes. The hydrant repair parts without labor, \$2,052.00 (for one hydrant); or replace hydrants and install valves \$12,119.69 (for six hydrant). Labor cost is \$90.00 an hour for either work being done. Not all hydrants may need to be replaced, some may just need parts for repairs. Councilman Woodruff stated that there should be a time limit as to when they will be done. Deputy Supervisor Grimone stated that it is hard to really do that as you have to see what type of scheduling and ordering of parts involved.

Tim Woodruff asked why all of a sudden the four hydrants at the county line road are all not working and at the same time. Sam stated that Bart explained in his presentation he had specific reasons as to why. Paul stated that the question is do all the hydrants need all new parts or do we need new hydrants to complete it. Bart should be here explaining this. Tim stated that he talked to Bart and told him to cover up the (faulty) hydrants so the fire truck doesn't try to use them. Robert stated that he thought the hydrants (county hill Rte. 3) are fairly new, like four years ago. Sam stated that the hydrants have a variety of problems. Jim stated that those four hydrants, he was told, could be turned on; but cannot shut off. Paul asked if we did a couple, would it be safe. Tim stated that whatever you can do, as long as they (firemen) know so they can adjust to what they need to do. Roger stated that Fuller's put in the new hydrants. Sandy Hayes asked why replace the one down by the firehouse as there are three nearby. Tim stated that they use the hydrant for training, shuttle water to places, etc. Sandy stated that he sees no urgency to fix it as there will be no training in the wintertime. Sam stated that he understands but if you fix one, fix them all.

Deputy Supervisor Grimone asked for a resolution to get the six hydrants fixed.

RESOLUTION #74 – HYDRANTS

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

WHEREAS A Resolution of the St. Armand Town Board agree to either replace or repair the six hydrants that are faulty, and ask the Village of Saranac Lake for assistance.

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

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

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WATER & SEWER SUPERINTENDENT

Councilman Woodruff wants a resolution that Bart attends all town board meetings. Sandy stated that Bart should stay for the entirety of the meeting; not give a report then leave. Deputy Supervisor Grimone stated that he does not know if that can be done; not sure if there is a contract. Councilman Dakin stated that Bart use to come to meetings regularly, but refused to come when the truck was taken away.

RESOLUTION #75 – WATER & SEWER SUPERINTENDENT

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

WHEREAS A Resolution of the St. Armand Town Board all agrees that the Water & Sewer Superintendent attends all meetings pertaining to the town.

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

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

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PUMP HOUSE

Deputy Supervisor Grimone said that a new door was purchased for the pump house.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Robert provided the board members with a listing of 21 issued permits from July to September for a total of \$2,601.25.

VACANT LAND

Deputy Supervisor Grimone stated that Dean Montroy wants to sell the small area behind the post office to the town as it is adjacent to the garage land. Sam said that they need to look at expenses as to whether it could be afforded. He requested it to be tabled until he talks to Supervisor Morency. Sandy said the town will need to call the APA as it is near the wetlands. Councilman Dakin said the APA will have a say within the hamlet and near wetland.

TOWN GARAGE

Roger indicated that J.P. O'Neil and Dean Montroy were contacted about the leaking roof. Roger said that Supervisor Morency has not heard anything from them of an estimate. Roger said that it still does not solve the problem if the roof is fixed, they are still losing heat.

TOWN HALL BUILDING

Deputy Supervisor Grimone said that the drainage situation is on hold. The front of the steps where the blacktop was torn up needs to be re-done. Roger said he will fix it, just let him know as there is only 1 1/2 weeks left for blacktop.

JUSTICE

Supervisor Morency received information about a 2010 Justice Court Assistance Program (JCAP) Grant. The grant application has to be turned in by October 31, 2010.

BARNARD BUILDING

Roger said work is expecting within a few days of tearing down the Barnard Building. Trudeau Sand & Gravel will do the work for \$7800.00

RESOLUTION #76 – BARNARD BUILDING

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

WHEREAS A Resolution of the St. Armand Town Board to accept Trudeau Sand & Gravel proposal of \$7,800 for the removal of the building.

Councilman Grimone duly seconded this resolution and adopted as follows:

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

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2011 FIRE CONTRACTS

RESOLUTION #77 – BLOOMINGDALE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT CONTRACT

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

WHEREAS A Resolution of the Town Board of the Town of St. Armand to authorize Supervisor Joyce W. Morency to sign the Bloomingdale Volunteer Fire Department Contract.

WHEREAS the total sum of \$29,500 for 2011 to be paid in two equal installments of \$14,750 each no later than February 1, 2011 and April 1, 2011. One-half of the cost of the Worker’s Compensation is \$6,336.00.

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

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

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RESOLUTION #78 - 2011 VILLAGE OF SARANAC LAKE FIRE CONTRACT

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

WHEREAS A Resolution of the Town board of the Town of St. Armand to authorize Supervisor Joyce W. Morency to sign the Village of Saranac Lake Fire Contract. Services begin January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011.

WHEREAS the total amount of the Village of Saranac Lake Fire Protection is \$31,500.00 and will be paid in two installments of \$15,750.00.

This resolution was duly seconded by Councilman Grimone, and adopted as follows:

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

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RESOLUTION #79 - 2011 SARANAC LAKE VOLUNTEER RESCUE SQUAD, INC.

Councilman Dakin, who moved its adoption, made the following resolution

WHEREAS A Resolution of the Town Board of the Town of St. Armand to authorize Supervisor Joyce W. Morency to sign the Saranac Lake Volunteer Rescue Squad, Inc. contract for rescue services. Services begin January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011 for a total amount of \$2,700.00.

This resolution was duly seconded by Councilman Woodruff, and adopted as follows:

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

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RESOLUTION #80 - TOWN OF NORTH ELBA FIRE PROTECTION 2011

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

WHEREAS A Resolution of the Town Board of the Town of St. Armand to authorize Supervisor Joyce W. Morency to sign the Town of North Elba Fire Protection Services for St. Armand in 2011.

WHEREAS the total of \$5,876.49 to be paid to the Town of North Elba for fire Protection Services for the period January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011.

This resolution was duly seconded by Councilman Woodruff, and adopted as follows:

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

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RESOLUTION #81 - 2010 APPROPRIATIONS

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

WHEREAS A Resolution of the St. Armand Town Board agreed to pay the 2010 appropriations as provided. Saranac Lake Civic Center - \$2500.00; Saranac Lake Adult Center - \$500.00; Saranac Lake Village for Mt. Pisgah - \$500.00; High Peaks Hospice - \$500.00; Stevenson Cottage - \$500.00; Village Improvement Society - \$200.00; Pee Wee Hockey Assn. - \$300.00; and Saranac Lake Winter Carnival Committee - \$250.00.

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

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

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Cynthia A. Woodson
St. Armand Town Clerk

END OF MEETING

A motion was made by Councilman Grimone, and seconded by Councilman Dakin, to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 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