

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING – BUDGET REVIEW
OCTOBER 23, 2012

The Special Board 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 Donald Amell, Charles Whitson, Jr., Town Clerk Davina Thurston.

ABSENT: Supervisor Joyce W. Morency, Earl J. Dakin, Jr.,

GUEST: Sandy Hayes, Connie Willett, Bucky Willette, Roger Oliver, Mike Kilroy

Notice was sent to the Adirondack Daily Enterprise regarding this meeting.

Deputy Supervisor Grimone called the Special Board meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

BUDGET

Mike Kilroy, Town Accountant, gave a presentation using a projected image of the budget. Discussion regarding the budget ensued throughout the presentation. Roger Oliver, Town Highway Superintendent, spoke regarding the need for a new plow truck in 2013.

MOTOR FOR SEWER PLANT

Councilman Whitman addressed the board regarding the motor for the pump house. The old motor was sent in for repair, the service technicians advised that the motor should be replaced. Currently the pump house is using an eight horse power motor, the technician suggested they switch to a five horse power motor, which would meet the needs of the pump house and cost less than the eight horse power motor. The board agreed that the pump house does need an additional motor as soon as possible. Councilman Whitson made a motion to purchase a new 5 horse power motor at a cost of \$660.00 plus freight. Councilman Amell seconded the motion, and all agreed to pass the motion.

WATER TAP

Deputy Supervisor Samuel Grimone addressed the issue of the water tap charge to Doug Snickles. Jeff Cotter had informed Deputy Supervisor Grimone that Doug Snickles had done all the work to install the water tap, and has helped on other water projects on his own time, due to this, Jeff feels that it is not fair to charge Doug for the water tap. The Board discussed the rules and regulations for the water department, and decided they would have to check the laws to determine if the water tap fee could be waived in this case. This issue will be brought forth again at the next board meeting.

WATER AND SEWER DELIQUENT BILLS

Discussion ensued regarding non-payment of water and sewer bills. The board decided to shut off the water to two customers, with three other customers getting phone calls and a last chance to pay.

BUDGET WORKSHOP WITH TOWN EMPLOYEES

Deputy Supervisor Grimone informed the board that several of the town employees would be meeting with them on October 25, 2012 at the town hall at 6:30 pm to discuss the tentative budget.

RESOLUTION #85 - TOWN OF ST. ARMAND PROPOSED SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

New York State Environmental Quality Review Act Determination a Resolution Making Certain Determinations in Relation to the Town of St. Armand Bloomingdale Sewer District and the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act Pursuant to 6NCR Part 617.

The following resolution was offered by Deputy Supervisor Samuel A. Grimone:

WHEREAS, the Town of St. Armand operates and maintains the Bloomingdale Sewer District encompassing areas within the Hamlet of Bloomingdale, Town of St. Armand, Essex County, New York;
And

WHEREAS, the Town of St. Armand was issued an Order of Consent from the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation signed on March 4, 2009 relating to the need to address wastewater management system deficiencies, and

WHEREAS, the Town has retained AES Northeast, PLLC an engineering firm duly licensed in New York State to review sewer system development alternatives and has prepared recommendations for a proposed project more fully described in "Town of St. Armand Wastewater Collection and Treatment Plant Performance Evaluation and Capital Improvement Plan, Addendum #1" dated October, 12, 2012

Including:

- a) The acquisition of real property for the construction of a new pump station on River Road.
- b) Upgrade of the River Road pump station with the installation of a new vortex style grit chamber.
- c) Installation of a new mechanical screen and bypass manual cleaned bar screen at the pump station.
- d) Installation of a new 8 foot diameter pump station and two new pumps.
- e) Installation of a new pump station standby generator
- f) Construction of a new control building to include new lagoon blowers and aeration system upgrade, electrical controls, lab space and sanitary facilities.
- g) Installation of two new final clarifiers at the lagoon site.
- h) Installation of a new sludge drying bed, and

WHEREAS, the Town of St. Armand did receive funding commitments from the NYS Environmental Facilities Corp. - Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund in the amount of \$4,589,000 incorporating \$2,000,000 in principle forgiveness loans and the remainder as a zero percent 30 year loan, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of St. Armand is required to comply with the New York State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) Act - 6NYCRR Part 617 as well as the State Environmental Review Process (SERP), and

WHEREAS, the proposed project, currently under final design, will require regulatory agency approval and permits from the NYS Adirondack Park Agency, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, and the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of St. Armand affirms that construction of wastewater treatment system infrastructure serving the Bloomingdale Sewer District would be considered a TYPE II Action under SEQR pursuant to Section 617.5 (c) 29 and 36, incorporating enforcement proceedings by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation and project jurisdiction by the NYS Adirondack Park Agency and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of St. Armand has determined that the proposed action incorporating the development of sewage system improvements for The Bloomingdale Sewer District is otherwise precluded from environmental review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQR) Environmental Conservation Law Article 8.

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

Joyce W. Morency, Supervisor	ABSENT
Samuel Grimone, Deputy Supervisor	AYE
Charles Whitson, Jr., Council person	AYE
Donald Amell, Councilperson	AYE
Earl Dakin, Councilperson	ABSENT

Davina M. Thurston
St. Armand Town Clerk

Deputy Supervisor Grimone made a motion, seconded by Councilman Amell to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

I, Davina M. Thurston, Town Clerk for the Town of St. Armand, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct transcript of the Special Board meeting minutes held on the above referenced date.

Davina M. Thurston
St. Armand Town Clerk