

Town of St. Armand
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, July 14, 2015
6:30 PM

A Regular Board Meeting of the Town of St. Armand was held on the above date at the Town Hall, Bloomingdale, NY.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Town Supervisor Charles Whitson, Jr., Deputy Supervisor Sam Grimone, Councilperson Don Amell, Councilperson Jennifer Fuller, Councilperson D. Joseph Bates

TOWN EMPLOYEES PRESENT:

Town Clerk Davina Thurston, Water Superintendant Jeff Cotter, Code Enforcement Officer Robert Hammond, Highway Superintendent Roger Oliver

GUESTS: Sandy Hayes

Notice was posted regarding the date of this meeting.

Supervisor Whitson called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Councilperson Amell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

WATER DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT

Water Superintendant Jeff Cotter reviewed his written report with the Board. This report is kept on file in the Office of the Town Clerk and is available for review by the general public upon request.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

CEO Robert Hammond reviewed his written report with the Board. This report is kept on file in the Office of the Town Clerk and is available for review by the general public upon request.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT MONTHLY REPORT

Highway Superintendent Roger Oliver gave the Board an oral report.

MOTION TO PAY MONTHLY BILLS

Deputy Supervisor Grimone made a motion to pay this month's bills; the motion was seconded by Councilperson Fuller. All agreed. Motion carried

MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE SUPERVISOR

Supervisor Whitson gave the Board the Supervisor's monthly financial report. This report is kept on file in the Office of the Town Clerk and is available for review by the general public upon request. Deputy Supervisor Grimone made a motion to accept the Supervisors report; Councilperson Fuller seconded the motion. All approved. Motion carried.

Resolution 41 of 2015 – Rescinding and Repealing Resolution 36 of 2015 (Adopting the Sewer Ordinance and Spill Response Plan)

The following Resolution was offered by Councilperson Amell:

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of St. Armand on June 9, 2015, adopted Resolution 36 of 2015 Adopting the Sewer Ordinance and Spill Response Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of St. Armand is now desirous of rescinding and repealing Resolution 36 of 2015 pursuant to Town Law: Section 6, Article 1, Subsection 6-7, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Armand Town Board does hereby rescind and repeal Resolution 36 of 2015, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

This Resolution was seconded by Councilperson Bates and adopted by roll-call vote as follows:

Supervisor Charles Whitson, Jr	AYE
Deputy Supervisor Samuel Grimone	AYE
Councilperson Donald Amell	AYE
Councilperson Jennifer Fuller	AYE
Councilperson D. Joseph Bates	AYE

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Davina M. Thurston
St. Armand Town Clerk

Resolution 42 of 2015 – Introduction of Proposed Local Law 3 of 2015 – Regulations for All Users of Wastewater Collection and Disposal Systems in the St. Armand Sewer District

The following Resolution was offered by Deputy Supervisor Grimone:

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of St. Armand has approved the final draft of the Proposed Local Law entitled “Regulations for All Users of Wastewater Collection and Disposal Systems in the St. Armand Sewer District”, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of St. Armand is desirous in passing the Proposed Local Law 3 of 2015, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board does hereby call a Public Hearing on the Proposed Local Law 3 of 2015 to take place on the 11th day of August, 2015 at 6:30 PM at the Bloomingdale Town Hall, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board does hereby require the Town Clerk to provide a full written copy of such Proposed Local Law to any individual who requests such document, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Armand Town Board does approve of such final draft and is desirous to proceed in the Legal Adoption of such Proposed Law.

This Resolution was seconded by Councilperson Fuller and adopted by roll-call vote as follows:

Supervisor Charles Whitson, Jr	AYE
Deputy Supervisor Samuel Grimone	AYE
Councilperson Donald Amell	AYE
Councilperson Jennifer Fuller	AYE
Councilperson D. Joseph Bates	AYE

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COMMUNITY BLOCK GRANT

Supervisor Whitson informed the Board that the Town had received the requested Community Block Grant, discussion ensued.

TOWN HALL PAINTING

Supervisor Whitson informed the Board that an anonymous donor has come forward and will pay to have the exterior clock tower repaired and painted if the Town will pay for replacement balusters. Discussion ensued. The Board agreed to fund replacement of balusters.

WAIVER OF PROPERTY TAX INCREASE FOR HOME IMPROVEMENTS

Deputy Supervisor Grimone asked the Board to consider passing a resolution to waive property tax increases for home improvements. Discussion ensued. Tabled until next meeting.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Councilperson Amell made the Motion to approve minutes of the Regular Board Meeting June 9, 2015 and Special Board Meeting Jun 16, 2015, and Special Board Meeting June 30, 2015, Deputy Supervisor Grimone seconded the motion, all approved, motion carried.

TOWN CLERK MONTHLY REPORT

Town Clerk Davina Thurston gave the Board the monthly report for June 2015. This report is kept on file in the Office of the Town Clerk, and is available to the general public upon request.

WATER & SEWER BILLING MONTHLY REPORT

Water & Sewer Clerk Davina Thurston gave the Board an oral report for the 3rd quarter billing cycle.

NEW BUSINESS

PERMANENT WATER SUPERINTENDENT JOB

Discussion ensued. The Board unanimously decided to hire Jeff Cotter for the Permanent Water Superintendent Position.

CDBG - RFQ

Resolution 43 of 2015 – CDBG – RFQ - Engineering

The following Resolution was offered by Deputy Supervisor Grimone:

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of St. Armand has reviewed all bids submitted for the CDBG portion of the Sewer project, and

WHEREAS, The Town Board of the Town of St. Armand hereby approves and accepts the bid submitted by AES Northeast for the Engineering of the proposed solar network and water-line installation for the Sewer Project, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Armand Town Board does hereby hire AES Northeast for the above-listed CDBG aspect of the Sewer Project.

This Resolution was seconded by Councilperson Bates and adopted by roll-call vote as follows:

- Supervisor Charles Whitson, Jr AYE
- Deputy Supervisor Samuel Grimone AYE
- Councilperson Donald Amell AYE
- Councilperson Jennifer Fuller AYE
- Councilperson D. Joseph Bates AYE

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St. Armand Town Clerk

FIRE DEPARTMENT CONTRACT

Supervisor Whitson informed the Board that the Bloomingdale Fire Department wanted to meet with them to discuss the 2016 Fire Contract. Discussion ensued. It was decided that Supervisor Whitson and Councilperson Bates would meet with the Fire Department personnel on Tuesday, July 21st at 6:30 pm at the Bloomingdale Fire Department. They will report back to the Board on their discussion.

EMPLOYEES HEALTH INSURANCE

Health Insurance coverage upon retirement discussion ensued. Discussion tabled until next Regular Board Meeting.

USE OF TOWN HALL BY RELIGIOUS GROUPS

Discussion ensued. Subject tabled until next Regular Board Meeting.

ADDITIONAL OPEN HOUSE FOR TOWN GARAGE

Discussion ensued. It was decided to post a notice that residents may request a private tour of the new highway garage.

SPACE IN HIGHWAY GARAGE

Sandy Hayes asked if all vehicles fit into the new Garage. Discussion ensued.

ELECTRICITY AT BALL FIELD

Sandy Hayes inquired about the repairs in electricity on the poles at the Ball Field. Discussion ensued.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Deputy Supervisor Grimone made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilpersons Amell. Supervisor Whitson adjourned the meeting at 7:54 pm.

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

July 14, 2015