

Town of Murray Board Meeting Minutes

May 13, 2008

Present: Supervisor Henry Lehning, Councilmen Henry Wagner, Lloyd Christ, Ed Bower and John Morriss, Town Clerk Cindy Oliver, Highway & Water Superintendent Ed Morgan, Assessor Lynn Wood, Nick Quaranto, Attorney Jeff Martin, Code/Zoning Officer Lynda Woolston, Tom Martin, Joe Sidonio, Richard Downey, Rex Horton,

Pledge to the flag.

Motion by Wagner, Seconded by Christ approving and accepting the minutes of the recessed April Town Board meeting, the public hearing and the reconvened meeting of April 19th as submitted

Motion Carried

Tom Martin addressed the board regarding the Updated Comprehensive Plan. Councilmen were supplied a copy of the updated plan and were able to review it before tonight's meeting. Tom spoke about the meetings that took place with the comprehensive plan committee and the planning board. Councilmen pointed out a few minor changes that should be made. The committee made great recommendations and targeted the needs of the Town. The review committee deserves a letter of thanks for all of the time and effort that was put into this project. Tom went over some of the revisions that were made such as scaling back the business district on Ridge Rd. Discussion of grants available for parks, and the money needed to maintain them. Tom asked for feedback and asked what direction the board felt they want to go in compared to what the committee and Planning Board recommended. Town Board is in agreement with the recommendations of the committee and the Planning Board. Tom will incorporate the revisions and will prepare a referral to the County Planning Board. Once we have the recommendation back from County Planning, we can schedule the two public hearings required before adoption.

Rex Horton of 15794 Transit Church Rd. asked the Board the status of Water District No. 13. As the water district had to be reestablished, we are just waiting for figures before we can come up with a revised cost configuration. Attorney Jeff Martin hoped to have a figure from Rural Development by now. The amount of grant will go down and the loan amount will decrease. Mr. Horton said the monthly water checks that the Health Dept. does are never good.

Assessor – The assessment changes were mailed to owners the last week of April. Many resident questions/complaints have been

resolved. To date, eight property owners are scheduled to go in front of the Board of Assessment Review. Lynn briefed the Board of the Time Warner fee increase for internet service. The Board asked to see if Mike Zona can add the Assessor's office to the wireless account that all other departments are on eliminating the extra bill.

David Paul and Taryn Hilliker entered meeting.

Zoning/Code Enforcement – There were 18 various permits issued in April; barns, pools, re-roofs. About 30 clean-up letters have been sent to property owners. Lynda will have some court appearances scheduled for the end of the month. Councilman Morriss asked if Lynda was making any progress with the Hulberton Rd property that he previously spoke to her about. Lynda stated that the owners are slowly working on it and they will be getting a court appearance ticket as they are not even close to being finished.

Correspondence –

- D.E.C. is considering a ban on open burning. There will be a public hearing held at GCC on July 2nd at 5:00 p.m.
- Services Contract with Wackenhut Corp. for security during Court District Attorney sessions. This firm is also supplying security for County Court.
- Legislator/Supervisor dinner meeting is on the 27th. Jack Welch will be doing a presentation on Civil Service updates.
- A Small Cities audit of Water District No. 12 was done in February. The only criticism was we had an interest-bearing account. Supervisor Lehning has since had the bank take the interest earned from the account.
- The Dept. of State sent notice that the Shared Municipal Service grant application has been approved. The school is the lead agency and they will receive \$32,000 to hire a firm to complete the study.
- 2008 NYS Environmental Excellence Awards application brochure.
- NYS Office of Parks and Recreation grants available.
- Minutes of the Orleans County Planning Board's last meeting.

Old Business – Motion by Morriss, Seconded by Bower approving the service agreement of Stuart I. Brown, Associates for the extension of Water District No. 13 in the amount of \$2,000. Motion Carried

Councilman Christ questioned if we've heard anything regarding the Town of Murray sponsor signs. Supervisor Lehning will get in touch with Mr. Downey as all of the sponsor names are not up. Councilman

Christ stated that if Mr. Downey is not going to do it, we need to find someone else who will take care of it.

New Business –

Motion by Christ, Seconded by Wagner that the Board enters into executive session. Motion Carried Board entered into executive session at 7:36 p.m.

Motion by Bower, Seconded by Morriss that the Board return to regular session. Motion Carried Board returned to regular session at 7:45 p.m.

Motion by Morriss, Seconded by Bower that Ron Vendetti be hired as Town of Murray Building Inspector. After being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Ayes	5	Wagner, Christ, Bower, Morriss, Lehning
Nays	0	
Absent	0	

Motion Carried

Attorney Jeff Martin – The 30-day referendum for the extension and consolidation of Water District No. 11 is now over. Jeff filed a no referendum certificate with the County Clerk. Motion by Wagner, Seconded by Christ adopting the Final Order on the Extension and Consolidation of Water District No. 11. After being put to a roll call vote, the vote was as follows:

Ayes	5	Wagner, Christ, Bower, Morriss, Lehning
Nays	0	
Absent	0	

Final Order was thereupon adopted (On file in Town Clerk’s office)

Jeff has arranged for a stenographer to be present for grievance day. The Zoning Board granted a variance to Bob Cone and Betsy Cook of 16395 Albion Rd to build a two-car garage. Togemco would like to reopen the abandoned stone quarry on Hulberton Rd north of the canal. Attorney Jeff Martin stated that the Town’s 1993 Excavation and Mining Law would prevent this. Jeff will contact the owner and clarify this.

Town Clerk – April receipts totaled 729.00, General Fund received \$352.91. Collection of taxes is finished. The unpaid taxes will be delivered to the Orleans County Treasurer on Friday. Cindy received notice from Friesland Inc. (Brockport Country Club) of their application for alteration of the outside deck use to the NYS Liquor Authority.

Highway & Water Superintendent – There was a 22% increase in local CHIPS money, this is \$10,000 more than last year. Water District No. 11 is complete except for restoration. After discussion regarding raising hydrant rates. It was decided that we should only raise hydrants rates for haulers, and keep them the same for agriculture. Motion by Bower, Seconded by Morriss to raise the hydrant water rates 25¢ per thousand gallons for haulers only.

Motion Carried

The Town Hall parking lot needs to be fixed. Some parts need to be milled out as it is beginning to crack. This is a safety issue and if we go over top of what is already there water will run into the building. The water agreement with the Town of Kendall needs to be worked on. The Village of Holley would like to know if we would be willing to sell the village salt on an as-need basis. Ed doesn't think this will be a problem. Ed updated all on discussions of the joint water committee.

Motion by Wagner, Seconded by Christ to approve the Supervisor's Financial Report and that the following bills be approved and paid:

General Fund	Claims 145-181	Total \$22,752.44
Highway Fund	Claims 108-123	Total \$15,602.70
Water District No. 1	Claims 19-22	Total \$ 387.47
Water District No. 2	Claims 24-29	Total \$ 6,946.92
Water District No. 3	Claims 24-29	Total \$ 3,184.64
Water District No. 4	Claims 15-17	Total \$ 18.73
Water District No. 5	Claims 15-17	Total \$ 16.49
Water District No. 6	Claims 31-37	Total \$ 3,483.56
Water District No. 7	Claims 15-17	Total \$ 36.82
Water District No. 8	Claims 16-18	Total \$ 27.72
Water District No. 9	Claims 16-18	Total \$ 16.49
Water District No. 10	Claims 26-31	Total \$ 334.76
Water District No. 11	Claims 31-43	Total \$12,090.78
Water District No. 12	Claims 16-18	Total \$ 18.73
Water District No. 13	Claims 20-22	Total \$ 18.73

Motion by Christ, Seconded by Bower to adjourn meeting.

Motion Carried

So adjourned 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia L. Oliver