

York Town Board Meeting
August 12, 2010

Present: Supervisor Gerald L. Deming, Council Members: Lynn Parnell, Norman Gates and David Deuel

Absent: Frank Rose Jr.

Others: Scott Pastorell (Regional Computer Recycling and Recovery), Roger McCracken (Water and Sewer Operator), Tom Gates Jr., George Worden Jr. (Highway Superintendent) and Carl Peter (Zoning and Code Officer)

Supervisor Deming opened the Town Board Meeting at 7:30 p.m. with the pledge to the flag.

MINUTES

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Deuel and seconded by Mrs. Parnell to approve the minutes of the July 22nd Town Board Meeting. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

PRIVILEGES of the FLOOR

1) Scott Pastorell:

Mr. Pastorell explained to the Board the conversation he had with Mrs. Barefoot recently about an e-mail he received from a concerned resident regarding the recycling center. Mr. Pastorell stated the comment was made that we were not handling the electronic material (computer monitors/televisions) properly. Mr. Pastorell informed the resident he would contact the Town directly with the concern and assist us if needed.

Supervisor Deming commented it was explained to him that you received a complaint that our recycling facility was not secured enough, and if the residents did not remove their personal data before dropping it off to the facility, we could be sited for it if not under cover. Mr. Deming added if Regional Computer Recycling and Recovery is expecting the Town of York to have a more advanced security measure that will not be happening.

Mr. Pastorell stated the e-mail referenced that monitors were set outside of the building, unsecured, but after visiting the recycling site in his opinion, our facility is considered secured due to the locked gated fence at the entrance of the site. Mr. Deming commented at times we have had an over flow of equipment, but the facility is always locked at the end of the day.

7:40p.m. - Councilman Rose arrived at this time.

Mr. Pastorell reviewed with the Board specifically what his company (Regional Computer Recycling and Recovery) does, the fees involved with the equipment, and how they have been conducting business since 1995.

Supervisor Deming informed Mr. Pastorell that the Town of York does not expend any budget funds for the recycling center, our facility is completely operational by way of customer usage, which is our residents and residents from surrounding townships. Mr. Deming added, the Board asked Mr. Pastorell to attend tonight's meeting because we were under the assumption we were not in compliance at the recycling center and wanted to discuss it further. Mr. Pastorell stated once again that the Town of York's recycling center is currently one of the most secure environments he has visited.

Mr. Pastorell suggested that the Town consider placing at least two gaylords inside of the building, and when full contact us, they are in our area quite frequently with other stops and would gladly pick up the equipment. Residents may feel more at ease to know the equipment is being picked up on a regular basis. The Board agreed, having gaylords inside of the building will be a better way to gauge the incoming equipment and the time when removal is necessary.

Supervisor Deming thanked Mr. Pastorell for attending tonight's meeting and asked him to please place three (3) gaylord boxes at the recycling center.

Mr. Pastorell stated he will be dropping the boxes off at the August 24th range.

2) Tom Gates Jr.:

Mr. Gates addressed with the Board water issues his property in Greigsville has been facing for roughly 6-7 months and now asks for a water adjustment. Mr. Gates stated once they realized they had a water leak, they began searching for the trouble areas, which were unfortunately not easily found. After quite a bit of digging throughout the entire line, one large leak was found and fixed, but knew a second one had to still be outstanding due to the water read. When the second leak could not be detected, they decided to sever the line immediately from the back of the structure, to eliminate further water loss.

Mr. McCracken reported he and Mr. Gates have been monitoring the daily usage, which has dropped considerably from 13,000 to 3,000 gallons per day. Mr. McCracken commented to the Board as long as the line remains off, he is comfortable with the Board approving Mr. Gates adjustment.

RESOLUTION offered by Mrs. Parnell and seconded by Mr. Rose to approve the Water adjustment request of Tom Gates on behalf of Gates Farms for property located at 3556 Main Street. Due to the fact Mr. Gates has already paid the July bill, the adjustment/credit will be used toward the October - 2010 billing cycle. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

**** Adjusted Savings: \$563.55**

NOTE: Mr. Gates and the Town Board discussed the recent fire at the farm. Mr. Gates commented how pleased he was with the way the York Fire Department and surrounding departments handled the situation, trying whatever means they could to save the structure, but unfortunately it was totally involved before they had arrived.

HIGHWAY

1) Mower:

Mr. Worden reported that the Highway Department has experienced once again issues with one of the lawn mowers, sounding a bit louder than normal, with the crank shaft leaking. Mr. Worden stated he spoke with Mr. McCracken about borrowing the Water/Sewer department's mower to get us through the rest of the season, which he agreed to.

Supervisor Deming reminded both gentlemen to put money in the 2011 budget for new mowers for each department.

2) Maintenance:

Mr. Worden informed the Board that the Highway Department has been mowing and ditching roadsides recently. While ditching, we put a crease in the top rail of the truck, nothing too serious, but wanted the Board to be aware of the mishap. Oil and stone is scheduled next week for Tuttle, Clapp and Limerick Roads.

3) Job Wood Cemetery:

Mr. Worden stated he visited the Job Wood Cemetery this week to view the restoration work completed by Snyder Brothers. Mr. Worden commented that they did a very nice job and it is now much easier to mow in that cemetery.

4) York Central School:

Mr. Worden stated the quote is almost ready for the York Central School parking lot. We will probably not be able to complete the project before the end of the year, due to the fact that a grinder is needed and we do not have one right now, nor does the County.

WATER/SEWER

1) Alarms:

Mr. McCracken reported he met with Supervisor's Clerk, Mrs. Barefoot to discuss with her what will be needed through the telephone company in order to establish alarms on lift stations.

2) Dan Templeton issue:

Supervisor Deming informed the Board of a claim in the bills this evening for reimbursement. A bill was generated by ISAAC Heating for an on-site call to Dan Templeton's residence the day after the water break in Piffard, which he has already paid in full.

The Board agreed to reimburse Mr. Templeton \$96.12.

Mr. Deming also addressed the issue of what option to proceed with regarding the furnace problems Mr. Templeton has experienced since the break.

Mr. Worden stated Mr. Templeton commented to him that he had experienced water in his basement previously, but never to this extent. Mr. Worden asked, knowing he has had issues prior, how much more are we responsible for.

Councilman Deuel stated we need to be fully responsible for our mistakes, bottom line we did flood Mr. Templeton's basement and need to correct the matter.

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Deuel and seconded by Mr. Gates to approve the quote submitted by Don Fox Heating and Plumbing in the amount of \$2,700.00 to replace the furnace at Dan Templeton's residence with a new Goodman 92% efficient natural gas furnace. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

* Mrs. Harris will notify Mr. Fox in the morning of the Board's decision this evening.

3) Grants man:

Mr. McCracken expressed his desire to meet with a grantsman to discuss the possibility of obtaining funding for upcoming Water and Sewer projects. Mr. Deming stated the County has a grantwriter (Bernie Thoma) he should meet with and commented the need to budget each year for problem areas, in case grant funding is not obtained.

4) A.D. Call:

Mr. McCracken informed the Board of a situation he came upon while reviewing upcoming claims for payment. A.D. Call has been billing us for disposal fees plus trucking fees. The city of Canandaigua charges the Town of York \$1,500.00 directly for disposal of waste, while A.D. Call should be charging for trucking only.

Mr. McCracken stated he was reviewing the bills two weeks ago when he questioned the claim, and asked Mrs. Geary to review the last few months worth of bills. We will continue to proceed further back

to see how long these charges have been occurring in order to have a clear understanding of what we are owed when we speak with A.D. Call.

Supervisor Deming thanked Mr. McCracken for his diligence in this matter.

NEW BUSINESS

1) Interview:

Supervisor Deming stated Mr. McCracken and Mr. Worden met this morning with Richard Wozniak to interview him for the part-time employee position funded by Social Services. The gentlemen conveyed to the Board his enthusiasm for the upcoming position and his willingness to do whatever is needed. Mr. Worden stated he did make Mr. Wozniak aware of the fact that this may be a temporary job until the end of the year, which he commented he knew about and was ready for a new experience and the chance to gain useful knowledge.

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mrs. Parnell to approve Richard D. Wozniak as a part-time employee for the Town of York, to be used at the Water and Sewer Department and Highway Department, to be funded through the Livingston County Department of Social Services. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

2) Canning water line:

Mr. McCracken informed the Board that he recently spoke with Ted Canning about the ongoing water consumption issues his private line is experiencing on River Road. The Canning line was originally installed by the Abbey of the Genesee many years back and runs approximately 1,000 feet from Route 63 to their residence on River Road behind the neighboring properties. Mr. Canning commented that the line is leaking so dramatically he has to shut it off every night and turn it back on in the morning to stop the excess. Mr. McCracken stated the Cannings have talked seriously about replacing the existing line, no action has taken place at this time but they continue to search for the leak.

3) Arkema:

Supervisor Deming stated he spoke with Scott Chase of Arkema about a bill they recently received from the Town of York regarding work completed by us at their meter. Mr. Barrett prepared a detailed print out of the work performed in January of 2009, including equipment and labor. Mr. Chase is not questioning the work performed but more of an explanation of what took place and asked to meet with Town representatives for a clear answer.

Supervisor Deming did point out this bill was sent to Arkema last month, but was for the January 2009 time frame, meaning their year end books have already been closed out. In lieu of the lengthy time between meter correction and billing of the work, Mr. Deming suggested the Board forgive the water usage portion of the bill, but charge the remaining fees and asked the Town Board their thoughts on the matter.

After a brief discussion the Board agreed due to the fact that it has been a year and a half we should meet Arkema part way in the billing matter and feel we must forgive the usage portion of the bill.

4) Office flooring:

The Board discussed the need to make a decision on what format of flooring to proceed with in the Town Clerk's office and Supervisor's office, now that the painting has been completed. Mrs. Harris commented that tile and laminate flooring would be beautiful, but not as quiet or practical as carpet is for a heavily traveled office. Mr. Brock submitted several tile and laminate samples to choose from ranging from \$1,500-3,500 respectively. Clerk Harris added, Lima Carpet submitted a quote of \$ 1,400 which includes the price of the carpet plus installation.

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mr. Deuel to accept the quote submitted by Lima Carpet in the amount of \$1,400.00 for carpet and installation in the Town Clerk and Supervisor's offices. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

5) Farm Tour:

Councilman Deuel informed the Board of an upcoming farm tour scheduled for Friday, September 10th. The agenda consists of a tour of Merrimac Farms, Seneca Foods, Commodity Resource Corporation, Lakeland Equipment and Kyle Farms, with a lunch to be prepared by Ember Woodfire Grill. Anyone interested in participating must submit a check to the Genesee Valley Conservancy in the amount of \$ 35 by September 1st.

Mr. Deuel stated the next Farmland Preservation Committee Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 8th at 7:00 p.m.

BILLS

RESOLUTION offered by Mrs. Parnell and seconded by Mr. Gates to approve all claims brought before the Board including the Snyder Brothers bill in the amount of \$ 4,612.00. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

Sewer Districts	# 115-126	\$ 9,927.57
Consolidated Water	# 157-175	\$ 128,460.17
General Fund Claim	# 258-280	\$ 29,124.07
Youth Fund Claim	# 12-14	\$ 580.14
Street Lights	# 7	\$ 1,435.77
Highway Fund Claim	# 131-143	\$ 18,577.76

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mr. Rose to adjourn the Town Board Meeting until August 26th. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

Town Board Meeting closed at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine M. Harris, Clerk