

York Town Board Meeting
March 14, 2013

Present: Deputy Supervisor Lynn Parnell, Councilmen: Norman Gates & David Deuel

Absent: Gerald Deming and Frank Rose Jr.

Others: George Worden Jr. (Highway Supt.), Patricia Gardner and Carl Peter (Zoning and Code Officer)

Deputy Supervisor Parnell opened the Town Board Meeting at 7:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mr. Deuel to approve the minutes of the Special Town Board Meeting and Regular Town Board Meeting of February 28th, 2013 and Special Town Board Meeting of March 11th, 2013. Voted on and approved, Yes-3, No-0.

HIGHWAY

Mr. Worden reported the crew was out salting today due to the weather. By the middle of the morning the weather ceased and the men began to work on the truck from the Federal Surplus site. Mr. Worden commented by next meeting the Board will be receiving some bills from Caledonia Diesel for truck repair.

Mr. Worden stated he met with the County Highway Department today to discuss their upcoming plans for repairs to the County bridge located on Fowlerville Road. Although this will certainly change traffic patterns, it is only normal maintenance, nothing larger.

Mr. Worden commented he, along with numerous other Highway Superintendents, went to Albany to meet with our Senators and Congressional representatives regarding CHIPS funding. Mr. Worden stated they were informed that additional funding is available in the neighborhood of \$70 million. On an average year we receive roughly \$ 120,000.00, so with any additional money available we would be pleased with more for our community.

Councilman Gates asked Mr. Worden if he will be purchasing new or used boxes for the tractor truck. Mr. Worden stated he has been looking at used boxes and hope to purchase either an aluminum or stainless steel box, which would be less rust to contend with. Mr. Worden added once completed, we will be placing a plow frame on this vehicle as well.

WATER/SEWER

Mr. Worden reported the Water Department began reading meters for the April billing cycle. Reads should be completed by early next week.

Mr. Worden informed the Board that Roger McCracken, Water Operator, will tentatively be returning to work on Monday, March 25th.

Councilman Deuel asked if we have had any further issues with the Route 63 project. Mr. Worden replied to date no additional leaks have taken place and he spoke with Engineer, Eric Wies about the Mueller saddles, which he is making progress with.

7:37 p.m.- Councilman Rose arrived at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

1) Steering Committee:

Mr. Worden stated after attending last night's Steering Committee meeting to discuss Road Use and Repair Agreements, he suggested an additional step in the process. Mr. Worden commented, currently if a project was to come before the Town, SEQRE is a requirement, why would we not want the same on the books for hydraulic fracturing procedures. Mr. Worden added the way SEQRE is set up, the Town would be Lead Agent, allowing the municipality "a front row" to what is prepared for necessary wording. Deputy Supervisor Parnell stated the committee is getting very close to presenting to the Town Board.

2) Luncheon:

Mrs. Parnell stated she attended the Arkema Community luncheon today as the Town of York's representative. They spoke about wanting to involve more community people, including the fire service. Arkema personnel stated they have not had anyone from the fire departments for many years and would welcome their input. Mr. Worden commented it might be a bit difficult to have a member of the department attend a luncheon during the day when the majority will be at work, but would inform the members of the fire department to discuss at their next meeting.

** Mr. Worden added speaking of Arkema, when Geneseo takes their tank offline, we will need to keep in constant communication with Arkema because they draw large amounts of water periodically and we don't want to create an issue.

NEW BUSINESS

1) York/Leicester Youth:

Clerk Harris stated we received word from Hartford Life Insurance that they will no longer cover the York/Leicester Youth program. Mrs. Barefoot contacted our Tompkins Agent, David Boyce seeking a quote, which Mr. Boyce stated he is working on. We will have the information before our May renewal time frame.

OTHER

1) Zoning Update:

Zoning & Code Officer, Mr. Peter informed the Board of an upcoming project at Noblehurst Farms. John Noble discussed with Mr. Peter the farm's plans to build a milk separating facility, which would accept other's milk as well as their own. They anticipate producing a million pounds of milk per day, and would be a 7 days a week operation, employing roughly 10 people. With this type of business we would certainly see an

increase in truck traffic. Mr. Peter stated the farm will be trying to work in unison with their digester for efficiency purposes and be self-sustaining to run their operation. As far as the need for water, they anticipate requiring 10,000 gallons per day, which will not be an issue because they now own Lake LeRoy. Mr. Peter commented that Mr. Noble met informally with the Planning Board Tuesday evening to give them a brief overview of their plans and to gather what will be required in order to obtain a permit later. Mr. Peter informed him that a full set of plans will be necessary, Health Department review and approval outlining the waste issue and site plan review through the Planning Board.

Mr. Peter reported that the separating facility will be located east of where the current digester is and believes from the Town's prospective, it would fit our zoning for agricultural purposes, as long as the permit steps are followed.

Council Member Parnell asked if Mr. Noble had anticipated a start date for this project. Mr. Peter replied at the earliest if everything falls into place, July time frame. Mr. Peter commented he will continue to keep the Board informed as things progress, but wanted everyone to be aware of the upcoming project.

BILLS

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mr. Deuel to approve all claims brought before the Board. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

General Fund Claim	# 70-81	\$ 5,451.28
Joint Water & Sewer	# 74-86	\$ 3,383.11
Highway Fund Claim	# 32-38	\$ 17,193.15

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mr. Rose to adjourn the Town Board Meeting until March 28th. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

Town Board Meeting closed at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine M. Harris, Clerk