

York Town Board Meeting  
April 11, 2013

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

Absent: None

Others: Joseph Welburn, Patricia Gardner, Carl Peter (Zoning & Code Officer) and Andrew Emborsky (Town Attorney)

Supervisor Deming opened the Town Board Meeting at 7:31 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mrs. Parnell to approve the minutes of the March 28<sup>th</sup> Town Board Meeting. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

\*\* With the absence of Mr. Worden and Mr. McCracken no report was given for the Highway or Water/Sewer Departments.

BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

Mr. Peter informed the Board of a recent conversation he had and inspection taken at the Retsof Fire Hall with representatives from the Livingston County Board of Elections. Mike Manning and Frank Orlando visited the Retsof polling site to verify whether the facility is in compliance for future elections. Mr. Peter stated after review of the area the men explained a few things need to be updated at the site in order to continue to host elections:

- lines must be painted in the parking lot outlining handicap spaces
- driveway approach to the door needs to be leveled
- front door frame must have a larger opening (32 inches)

Mr. Peter stated after discussion with fire department members they agreed due to the costs involved with the required upgrades before the June deadline, they no longer wish to be used as a polling site for elections.

The Board commented although it is disappointing to lose a site, we broached the subject of consolidation last year, but did not push the matter because of a very hectic Presidential year. Supervisor Deming stated due to the Fire Department's decision, consolidation may be upon us sooner than expected. Councilman Deuel asked if another site may be used as a replacement for the Retsof Fire Hall, such as York Central School. Clerk Harris replied York Central would be a wonderful option but may not be approved due to security measures in place.

Clerk Harris informed the Board that the men also conducted an evaluation of the York Town Hall as well, which hosts two election districts. The men stated that the

facility is in excellent shape, but did document that the handicap parking signs on the building need to be elevated to 7 feet and lines must be painted in the parking lot near the hall for handicap members of the public. Councilman Deuel stated the York UP Church talked previously about painting the entire parking lot, but to date have not discussed or finalized a decision.

Supervisor Deming stated he will meet with the Board of Elections within the next two weeks to discuss the Board's desire to move forward with the consolidation of election districts.

### NEW BUSINESS

#### 1) Water Service Shut-off:

a- John & Barb Rizzo:

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mr. Rose to approve the Water Service Shut-off request submitted by John & Barb Rizzo for property located at 2373 Genesee Street. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

#### 2) Brush pickup:

Clerk Harris commented we have received requests once again for brush cleanup, and asked the Board if they wish to sponsor a one day pickup. After little discussion the scheduled date is Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup>.

\*\* The Town will be advertising such notice in the Livingston County News and the Genesee Valley Penny Saver and posting on the Town website.

#### 3) Water adjustment request:

Clerk Harris reported she received a visit from Retsof resident, Dolores Kane inquiring if a water adjustment could be made to her April bill. Mrs. Kane stated before returning home from Florida, she was informed from her son that a water pipe in her basement had burst, resulting in damage and a massive consumption for the current bill (207,000 gallons). Clerk Harris explained to Mrs. Kane that the Town no longer has a water adjustment policy, but due to the nature of the break and her previous consumption record, suggested she prepare a request for Board review, which Supervisor Deming read aloud this evening. Clerk Harris attached a copy of Mrs. Kane's meter history report for the Board to view in order to see her past consumptions.

After a brief discussion Supervisor Deming stated we will table this matter until Water Operator, Roger McCracken has the opportunity to review the request with the Board.

#### 4) Post Office hours:

Supervisor Deming stated discussion continues regarding reduction and/or deletion of hours at our local post offices. Recent conversation is now about the York post office and the possible plans to eliminate it all together, using the Genesee office. The Board agreed by reducing the hours in Piffard and Retsof, our community already has to contend with minimal hours, if York was to close, the burden would certainly increase. Supervisor Deming suggested sending a letter to our Federal representatives outlining

the community's needs and expressing our desire to keep at least one post office in the Town of York.

The Town Board agreed to authorize the Supervisor to prepare such letter.

OTHER

1) Waterline status:

Council Member Parnell inquired as to the status of the Route 63 watermain project. Supervisor Deming replied Mr. Morsch has been removing old fire hydrants and replacing with new ones and continues to conduct some restoration. Due to wet weather, additional restoration has been hindered, but will take place further once the ground dries out.

2) Steering Committee:

Council Member Parnell reported the Steering Committee will be presenting their recommendations to the Town Board at the May 9<sup>th</sup> regular meeting.

BILLS

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Deuel and seconded by Mrs. Parnell to approve all claims brought before the Board. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

General Fund Claim	# 95-111	\$ 18,783.14
Joint Water & Sewer	# 99-112	\$ 6,328.21
Youth Fund Claim	# 3	\$ 165.20
Highway Fund Claim	# 52-57	\$ 739.14

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mrs. Parnell to adjourn the Town Board Meeting until April 25<sup>th</sup>. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine M. Harris, Clerk