

REGULAR MEETING, WARRENSBURG TOWN BOARD, MARCH 10, 2010

The regular meeting of the Warrensburg Town Board was held on Wednesday, March 10, 2010 at the Albert Emerson Town Hall at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:

PRESENT:	Supervisor	Kevin Geraghty
	Councilman	John Alexander
	Councilman	Bryan Rounds
	Councilman	Austin Markey
	Councilman	Dean Ackley

OTHERS PRESENT: Donna A. Combs, Town Clerk; Ed Pennock, Highway Superintendent; Richard Galusha, Sewer Superintendent; and numerous Town residents.

RESOLUTION #68-10

MINUTES

On motion of Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Ackley, the following resolution was ADOPTED – VOTE – AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVED, to accept the minutes as presented.

REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICIALS

Reports were received and placed on file from the following Town Officials: Town Clerk, Supervisor, Assessor, Justice, Dog Control Officer, and Enforcement Officer.

TOWN COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following town committees gave reports: Highway, Historian, Parks and Recreation, Sewer and Water.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1) Communications from numerous residents regarding the proposed zoning map amendment.

RESOLUTION #69-10

AMEND SEWER BILLING ROLE

On motion of Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Ackley, the following resolution was ADOPTED – VOTE – AYES 5 NAYS 0

IT IS RESOLVED, to amend the 2010 Sewer Billing Role by the following:
#210.20-5-57, 258 River Street from \$320.00 to \$73.75 because the building on the property is being demolished.

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PUBLIC CONCERN: ZONING MAP AMENDMENT

Supervisor Geraghty reminded people that the public hearing for the proposed re-zoning for the Main Street/Stewart Farrar Street map amendment petition will be held on March 16, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

RESOLUTION #70-10

RESOLUTION DECLARING APRIL “PARENTS WHO HOST LOOSE THE MOST”

On motion of Councilman Markey, seconded by Councilman Rounds, the attached resolution was ADOPTED – VOTE – AYES 5 NAYS 0

DISCUSSION – EXTEND LOGGER CONTRACT

Supervisor Geraghty explained the other logger, William Pidgeon Jr., dba Hollow Logging on tract 2 and tract 3; he needs his contract extended to give him a little more time because of the pricing on timber.

RESOLUTION #71-10

EXTEND LOGGING CONTRACT WITH HOLLOW LOGGING

On motion of Councilman Ackley, seconded by Councilman Rounds, the following resolution was ADOPTED – VOTE – AYES 5 NAYS 0

IT IS RESOLVED, to extend the logging contract with William Pidgeon Jr., dba Hollow Logging for tract 2 and tract 3 until June 30th, 2010.

RESOLUTION #72-10

ACCEPT LETTER OF RESIGNATION

On motion of Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Ackley, the following resolution was ADOPTED – VOTE – AYES 5 NAYS 0

IT IS RESOLVED, to accept a letter of resignation from the Zoning Board of Appeals from Eileen Frasier, with regret and to send her a letter of appreciation for her dedication to the Town of Warrensburg.

RESOLUTION #73-10

ADVERTISE FOR ZBA

On motion of Councilman Markey, seconded by Councilman Alexander, the following resolution was ADOPTED – VOTE – AYES 5 NAYS 0

IT IS RESOLVED; the Town Clerk is authorized to advertise for applications for the Zoning Board of Appeals in the Glens Falls Post Star.

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RESOLUTION #74-10

AUTHORIZE TOWN CLERK TO ATTEND CONFERENCE

On motion of Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Markey, the following resolution was ADOPTED – VOTE – AYES 5 NAYS 0

IT IS RESOLVED, to give authorization to the Town Clerk to attend the New York State Town Clerks Conference in Saratoga Springs from April 24th through April 28th, 2010.

DISCUSSION – COST OF CONFERENCE

Councilman Ackley asked for discussion on the cost of the conference. It was explained that the registration fee is \$125.00, the room and meals are all inclusive and some of the cost is covered by the Association.

RESOLUTION #75-10

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MASTER MUNICIPAL SIGNERS AGREEMENT WITH TD BANK.

On motion of Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Ackley, the attached resolution was ADOPTED – VOTE – AYES 5 NAYS 0

DISCUSSION – NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

Supervisor Geraghty opened discussion explaining the week of April 18-April 24th, 2010 is National Volunteers Week in honor of the volunteers who work through community service organizations like Hands on Network, the Town Board has been asked to pass a resolution for that.

RESOLUTION #76-10

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK IN WARREN COUNTY

On motion of Councilman Ackley, seconded by Councilman Rounds, the attached resolution was ADOPTED – VOTE – AYES 5 NAYS 0

DISCUSSION – ESTABLISH CAPITAL PROJECT

Supervisor Geraghty opened discussion telling the Town Board this is the two year grant for the Planning portion of the Waterfront Revitalization Grant, the total cost of

the project is \$120,000.00; \$60,000.00 is being provided by the State and \$60,000.00 by the town some of which will be expenses and some of it will be in kind service.

RESOLUTION #77-10

ESTABLISH CAPITAL PROJECT FOR WATERFRONT REVITALIZATION GRANT

On motion of Councilman Markey, seconded by Councilman Alexander, the following resolution was ADOPTED – VOTE – AYES 5 NAYS 0

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IT IS RESOLVED, to establish a capital project, H30-8684.400, entitled Waterfront Revitalization in the amount of \$120,000.00; \$60,000.00 to be provided by the State of New York and \$60,000.00 by the Town of Warrensburg with some in kind service and some expense for the planning portion of the grant.

RESOLUTION #78-10

AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF ELAN INVOICE

On motion of Councilman Ackley, seconded by Councilman Markey, the following resolution was ADOPTED – VOTE – AYES 5 NAYS 0

IT IS RESOLVED, to pay two invoices from Elan Planning and Development to be paid ahead of Abstract #4-10 in the amount of \$1,476.50 for invoice #1 and \$4,250.00 for invoice #2 to Elan Planning and Development.

DISCUSSION-HIKE FOR HOPE

Supervisor Geraghty said there will be a Hike for Hope on Sunday, May 23, 2010 this is being funded by the American Prevention for Suicide, the hike is going up Prospect Mountain, this is put out by one of the mental health associations.

DISCUSSION – CENSUS

Supervisor Geraghty said he wished to remind everyone it is important to the Town and the County that everyone make out their census form and send it back in when they receive it.

DISCUSSION – TOWN HALL ALARM SYSTEM

Supervisor Geraghty explained there have been problems with the Town Hall alarm system so they have asked Cornerstone Telephone Service to handle the alarm system, it is \$21.95 a month to send the alarm into law enforcement, right now all the alarm does is go off.

RESOLUTION #79-10

AUTHORIZE ALARM SYSTEM CONTRACT WITH CORNERSTONE TELEPHONE SERVICE

On motion of Councilman Ackley, seconded by Councilman Markey, the following resolution was ADOPTED – VOTE – AYES 5 NAYS 0

IT IS RESOLVED, to authorize the Supervisor to enter into a contract for an alarm system with Cornerstone Telephone Company for \$21.95 a month.

DISCUSSION – ADIRONDACK NORTH COUNTRY TOWNS

Supervisor Geraghty told the Town Board the Town has been contacted by Adirondack North Country Towns to support the lawmakers who are pushing for Adirondack Park Economic Development program and they have asked to be able to

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use the Town of Warrensburg’s name as part of their campaign to recommend the formation of the economic development program for the Adirondack Park.

Councilman Ackley and Councilman Markey asked that this be tabled to allow them to read the materials. Supervisor Geraghty explained this is not the Adirondack Park, this is for Betty Little to know that the Town of Warrensburg supports the formation of economic development; it is a special zone they are trying to create.

RESOLUTION #80-10

SUPPORT OF ADIRONDACK NORTH COUNTRY TOWNS

On motion of Councilman Markey, seconded by Councilman Rounds the attached resolution was ADOPTED – VOTE – AYES 5 NAYS 0

DISCUSSION – CABLE SERVICE TO OUTLAYING AREAS

Supervisor Geraghty said he has received calls from people who are not able to have cable service, he will contact the cable company, it is still 20 houses per mile and the Cable Company seems to stick to that.

RESOLUTION #81-10

PAY BILLS

On motion of Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Rounds, the following resolution was ADOPTED – VOTE – AYES 5 NAYS 0

IT IS RESOLVED, to pay the bills as outlined on Abstract #3-10.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR-PUBLIC CONCERNS

Gary Cooper-inquired about brush disposal now that the Town cannot burn at the landfill, what is the community going to do for the taxpayers due to the fact they have closed down the landfill to shrubs and branches.

Supervisor Geraghty said the Highway Superintendent is picking up brush and branches placed on the side of the road, the residents can also get a burn permit to burn on their own property.

Discussion ensued on the State mandate of no burning at the landfill. The Town Highway will be doing a Spring Clean Up in the coming weeks.

**RESOLUTION #82-10
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On motion of Councilman Markey, seconded by Councilman Ackley, the following resolution was ADOPTED – VOTE – AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVED, that this Board move into an executive session to discuss items concerning possible litigation. Time 7:30 p.m.

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**RESOLUTION #83-10
CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On motion of Councilman Markey, seconded by Councilman Ackley, the following resolution was ADOPTED – VOTE – AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVED, that the executive session be closed and that this Board return to the regular meeting. Time 7:49 p.m.

Supervisor Geraghty said that the purpose of the executive session was to talk about the employment history of a particular individual, no action was taken.

DISCUSSION – WARRENSBURG BASEBALL/ SOFTBALL INC. INSURANCE DONATION

Councilman Markey opened discussion telling the Town Board he had conversation with Mr. Monthany and the Warrensburg Baseball Softball League needs the donation towards the insurance they are going to purchase right now.

Mr. Monthany told the Town Board his Executive Board will still need to make a decision about the \$850.00 for travel; he feels it is a good idea to have this.

Councilman Markey asked Mr. Monthany what kind of monetary amount he is looking for from the Town. Mr. Monthany said he did not wish to raise the rates

\$10.00 a kid, which is what it would cost to off set this so even if they could get half of this he can raise it \$5.00. Councilman Ackley asked what the total is. Mr. Monthany said it is \$2300.00. Councilman Alexander asked if that was the amount that would mean \$10.00 more a head.

Supervisor Geraghty said the Town Board could give them a donation out of the Youth programs and then transfer money in out of contingency, if the Youth budget is short.

Councilman Markey said the Town Board had discussed the size of the summer youth program for recreation last year and the number of employees and asked if the program had been cut back or if there was any play money in that budget.

Supervisor Geraghty said they would take the money for this donation out of the Youth contractual budget expense and when they start making the purchases for the summer program the town will do a budget transfer a head of time to put some money in from the contingency fund to handle it. Supervisor Geraghty asked the Town Board to decide on the monetary amount they wished the donation to be.

Councilman Rounds asked that it be a sixty/forty split or something like that.

Councilman Alexander suggested they cover half, stating the town had some

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insurance they had to cover, officer insurance which had not been budgeted for in the Insurance. Councilman Markey said when he sat down and did the value of the vehicles the town ended up saving around \$1200.00, that was just the vehicles, he has not done an appraisal off the town properties, that will cut even more.

Councilman Markey asked Mr. Monthany what the Town donated to them for the football program last year and Mr. Monthany said about \$1500.00. Councilman Markey said he believed under the previous carrier, when they had Selective before they went to Cool, they covered these people; they had a copy of the policy showing they were covered.

Supervisor Geraghty explained there was no previous coverage, the only way this program could have been covered was if they were a line item in the Town's budget and he had not changed that budget in four years, they have not been in the budget and they were not covered. Supervisor Geraghty said the agent wrote a certificate of insurance for them, it would have been the standard liability for the town.

Mr. Monthany was instructed to fill out a voucher with the Town Clerk, and, was asked to have the Town of Warrensburg named as additional insured and told to place a copy of the policy on file with the Town.

Councilman Markey asked Mr. Monthany what insurance company he was going to purchase from and Mr. Monthany told him Commercial Travelers.

RESOLUTION #84-10

GIVE \$1112.00 TO YOUTH BASEBALL SOFTBALL PROGRAM EXPENSES

On motion of Councilman Markey, seconded by Councilman Ackley, the following resolution was ADOPTED – VOTE – AYES 5 NAYS 0

IT IS RESOLVED, to donate \$1112.00 to the Warrensburg Softball/Baseball Inc.

On motion of Councilman Ackley, seconded by Councilman Markey, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna A Combs, Town Clerk