

SPECIAL MEETING, WARRENSBURG TOWN BOARD, JAN. 30, 2012

A Workshop meeting of the Warrensburg Town Board was held on Monday, January 30, 2012 at the Albert Emerson Town Hall at 4:00 p.m. with the following members present:

PRESENT:	Councilman	John Alexander
	Councilman	Bryan Rounds
	Councilwoman	Joyce Reed
	Councilwoman	Linda Marcella
ABSENT:	Supervisor	Kevin B. Geraghty

OTHERS PRESENT: Donna A. Combs, Town Clerk, Sandi Parisi, Town Historian and Steve Parisi, Museum Director.

RESOLUTION #46-12

AUTHORIZING TOWN SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT

On motion of Councilman Rounds, seconded by Councilwoman Reed, the following resolution was ADOPTED – VOTE – AYES 4 NAYS 0

IT IS RESOLVED, that the Supervisor be and hereby is authorized to execute an Inter-municipal Agreement with Warren County for the Waste and Recycling Disposal Services (WC 33-11) and the Waste & Recycling Transportation Services (WC50-11).

DISCUSSION – TOWN WEBSITE

Numerous ideas were presented and a list of website suggestions was given regarding the current website the Town has with Digital Tow Path and what the Town Board would like to see offered on the Town’s website. Some of the ideas presented were that the town’s forms and applications be made available, that there is a suggestion box available, that public notice be given for Town Board meetings, that it be made possible to pay all fees with a credit card on the website or with Bill Pay.

Councilman Alexander suggested the Board obtain three quotes for websites.

Supervisor Geraghty entered the meeting at 4:16 p.m.

DISCUSSION – CLOSING OF NON INTEREST ACCOUNTS AT TD BANK.

Supervisor Geraghty opened discussion explaining that TD will not be paying interest anymore starting on March 1 of this year, they have a different process set up for this year where the bank charges versus the amount of deposits but the bottom line for the Town of Warrensburg is they will stop paying interest on March 1. Supervisor Geraghty asked permission from the Town Board to close all of the non-interest bearing accounts.

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RESOLUTION #47-12

AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO CLOSE ALL NON-INTEREST BEARING ACCOUNTS AT TD

On motion of Councilwoman Marcella, seconded by Councilwoman Reed, the following resolution was ADOPTED – VOTE – AYES 5 NAYS 0

IT IS RESOLVED, to authorize the Town Supervisor to close all of his non interest bearing accounts at TD Bank.

DISCUSSION – ANNUAL ADUIT OF TOWN OFFICIALS BOOKS

Supervisor Geraghty said he understood there were concerns about signing the books.

Councilwoman Marcella said she had concerns. Councilwoman Marcella told the Town Board according to the State Comptroller the Town Board is supposed to be auditing claims for approval, it is supposed to be more than a rubber stamp process, it should entail enough thorough and deliberate examination to determine that the claim is a proper charge against the local government. Councilwoman Marcella read a document on auditing town claims to the Town Board. Councilwoman Marcella told the Town Board the services should match the goods and services on the original invoice. Councilwoman Marcella told the Town Board that she has done this type of audit at the school many times; she was asking them because she is new at this auditing; if they do this, if they follow that procedure. Councilperson Marcella said she did not feel comfortable doing this, signing something without her personally having gone through it and asked the other town board members what they need to set up so they can feel comfortable doing it and said if the auditors do come in here and pull out some of that stuff and the Board has nothing to back it up, she is concerned and so she does not want to put her name on it.

Councilman Alexander said that he has been doing the annual audit of the town officer's books for the past six years and that he did not have any problem with it, they could sit with the books for hours if they wanted to do that.

Councilman Rounds said that when the auditors have come in.....Councilwoman Marcella asked Councilman Alexander if they were talking about the books there in front of them or the monthly auditing.

Discussion ensued on the town officials' books that were in front of the Town Board to be audited tonight, and the auditing procedure that the town already does.

Supervisor Geraghty explained what the monthly reports from town officials are and, his position on signing the reports.

Discussion ensued on the Town Board coming in and auditing the bills before the abstract is drawn up, and, the Town of Warrensburg's auditing process, past and present.

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TOWN BOARD GOALS FOR 2012

Supervisor Geraghty opened discussion on the goals for the Town Board for 2012 telling the Town Board he hopes they are all on the same page. Supervisor Geraghty asked the Town Board if they were all in agreement on forming an economic committee to fill the vacant store fronts, to at least fill two store fronts in the next year. Supervisor Geraghty said that what he tries to do with his goals is to look at them in six months or a year and say they did this.

Discussion ensued on the list of goals submitted by each of the Town Board members.

On motion of Councilwoman Marcella, seconded by Councilman Alexander, the meeting was adjourned at 4:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna A. Combs, Town Clerk