

SPECIAL MEETING, WARRENSBURG TOWN BOARD, OCTOBER 5, 2010

A special meeting of the Warrensburg Town Board was held on Wednesday, October 5, 2010 at the Albert Emerson Town Hall at 4:30 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.

PRESENT TENTATIVE BUDGET AND DISCUSSION

Town Clerk Combs presented the 2011 Tentative Budget to the Town Board. Discussion ensued on the amount of revenue the Town is currently short, the logging bids that will be opened on the 13th of October. Supervisor Geraghty asked the Town Board to take their budgets and go through them for review.

Supervisor Geraghty discussed the drop in sales tax and the drop in mortgage tax with the Town Board. Supervisor Geraghty discussed certain appropriations that could be cut next year, and, told the Town Board there is no increase in employee wages this year, the Health Insurance deal is also in there.

It was determined that the Town Board will hold a workshop meeting on Tuesday, October 27, 2010 at 4:00 p.m.

Supervisor Geraghty told the Town Board the Town needs to sell the property if the price is right, the Water Budget needs to be increased. Supervisor Geraghty told the Town Board the Town cannot complete the Water Meters, the Town has applied for another grant but if the Town does not get the grant the Town will not do the meters and if the Town does not do the meters the Town is not taking in enough money. Supervisor Geraghty told the Town Board the water budget is about \$75,000.00 short, the rates really need to be looked at and adjusted. Supervisor Geraghty said his recommendation would be to keep the Seniors at their current rate.

Discussion ensued on the timing of the sale of the property. Supervisor Geraghty asked the Town Board if they would object to him having the Town Assessor appraise the property.

DISCUSSION – INCREASE WATER METER FEES FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION.

Councilman Markey asked when the last time water rates were increased; and, said perhaps it is time for another increase because water is very cheap, even if it is a five dollar increase, the town still has the cheapest rates in the county. Councilman Markey said he would prefer to sit down at a regular workshop and work on the water rates, with

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the Town Clerk and the Water Superintendent.

Supervisor Geraghty told the Town Board the Water Superintendent had just requested the rates for new construction be increased right now, from \$180.00 to at least \$280.00 to cover the hardware cost increases.

It was determined to hold a workshop on the water and sewer rates on October 12, 2010 at 4:30 p.m. on meter, water and sewer.

DISCUSSION - VACATION HOLD OVERS

Supervisor Geraghty opened discussion telling the Town Board that Richard Galusha and Walter Haws have asked to hold their vacation time over to 2011 so they do not lose their five weeks of vacation and suggested a time limit be set for the hold over, this must be done by Town Board resolution.

Councilman Markey said they had done that for Rick last year and, asked if he had used it. Councilman Markey said he would like to table this until the 12th of October, 2010.

DISCUSSION – SEWER MAP AND PLAN SPECIAL MEETING

Supervisor Geraghty opened discussion explaining the Town Board would need to hold a meeting to present the sewer map and plan for the expansion on Hudson Street and the 10 homes on Library Avenue.

It was determined to hold a special meeting on October 27th, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. for the sewer map and plan public hearing.

DISCUSSION – FOOTBALL FIELD

Supervisor Geraghty opened discussion telling the Town Board Dave Wick from Warren County Soil and Water to discuss the new football field. Supervisor Geraghty told the Town Board, they will need 1000 yards of top soil which would be \$20,000.00 and the Town does not have the money to do it. Supervisor Geraghty said the Town could still do the cut, while the dozer is there and then use a lot of mulch on it for a year, the grade stacks are already in.

Discussion ensued on what needs to be done, and, what to use for fertilizer.

On motion of Councilman Markey, seconded by Councilman Alexander, the meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Donna A. Combs, Town Clerk

