

## **REGULAR MEETING, WARRENSBURG TOWN BOARD, DEC. 12, 2012**

**The regular meeting of the Warrensburg Town Board was held on Wednesday, December 12, 2012 at the Albert Emerson Town Hall at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:**

<b>PRESENT:</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Kevin Geraghty</b>
	<b>Councilman</b>	<b>John Alexander</b>
	<b>Councilman</b>	<b>Bryan Rounds</b>
	<b>Councilwoman</b>	<b>Joyce Reed</b>
	<b>Councilwoman</b>	<b>Linda Marcella</b>

**OTHERS PRESENT: Donna A. Combs, Town Clerk; Ed Pennock, Highway Superintendent; Thomas Belden; Steve Parisi; Sandi Parisi, Town Historian; Robert Hafner, Attorney for the Town and numerous Town residents.**

### **RESOLUTION #204-12**

#### **MINUTES**

**On motion of Councilwoman Reed, seconded by Councilwoman Baker- Marcella, the following resolution was ADOPTED**

**AYES 5      Alexander, Rounds, Geraghty, Reed, Baker- Marcella**

**NAYS 0**

**RESOLVED, that the minutes of November 14, 2012 be approved.**

#### **REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICIALS**

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

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Committee reports were given from the following: Economic Development, Highway, Lighting, Historian, Museum, Parks and Rec., Sewer and Water.**

#### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

- 1) Warren County Youth Bureau has requested Town of Warrensburg suggest a person to represent the Town of Warrensburg on WC Youth Board. Kim Monthony is the current representative and wishes to continue to serve.**

### **RESOLUTION #205-12**

#### **RE-APPOINT KIM MONTHONY**

**On motion of Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Rounds, the following resolution was ADOPTED**

**AYES 5      Alexander, Rounds, Geraghty, Reed, Baker- Marcella**

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**IT IS RESOLVED**, to nominate Kim Monthony to represent Warrensburg on the Warren County Youth Board for the Year 2013.

**DISCUSSION – COMPLAINT ON WATER ASSESSMENT FOR RIVER VIEW CAMPGROUND**

Supervisor Geraghty opened discussion explaining the Town has an out of district contract with River View Campground who had concerns with their water assessment. Supervisor Geraghty explained there was a change in use at the Campground in 2002, they failed to notify the town that they had gone from 190 sites down to 94 sites, the Town's Code Enforcement Officer has visited the site and has given a recommendation to the Board for action on their complaint.

**RESOLUTION #206-12**

**AMEND WATER ASSESSMENT RATE FOR RIVER VIEW CAMPGROUND**  
On motion of Councilwoman Reed, seconded by Councilwoman Baker-Marcella, the following resolution was **ADOPTED**

**AYES 5      Alexander, Rounds, Geraghty, Reed, Baker- Marcella**  
**NAYS 0**

**IT IS RESOLVED**, to amend the 2013 Water Roll Assessment as follows:  
211.3-1-19    River View from \$4433.77 to \$4552.50

**RESOLUTION #207-12**

**AWARD OCCUPANCY TAX MONEY**

On motion of Councilwoman Reed, seconded by Councilman Alexander, the following resolution was **ADOPTED**

**AYES 5      Alexander, Rounds, Geraghty, Reed, Baker- Marcella**  
**NAYS 0**

**RESOLVED**, to award Warrensburg Beautification Committee \$1,000.00 from Occupancy Tax money for Christmas in Warrensburg.

**RESOLUTION #208-12**

**AUTHORIZE YEAR BOOK AD**

On motion of Councilwoman Reed, seconded by Councilman Rounds, the following resolution was **ADOPTED**

**AYES 5      Alexander, Rounds, Geraghty, Reed, Baker- Marcella**  
**NAYS 0**

**IT IS RESOLVED**, to authorize the Supervisor to purchase a half page ad from the WCS Yearbook Committee for \$155.00 to be paid from budget appropriation A6412.400, occupancy funds.

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**RESOLUTION #209-12**

**AWARD OCCUPANCY FUNDS TO NORTH WARREN SNOWMOBILE CLUB**  
On motion of Councilman Rounds, seconded by Councilman Alexander, the  
following resolution was ADOPTED

**AYES 5      Alexander, Rounds, Geraghty, Reed, Baker- Marcella**  
**NAYS 0**

**RESOLVED**, to award the North Warren Snowmobile Club \$3,500.00 for trail  
maintenance and expenses to be paid from budget appropriation A6412.400.

**RESOLUTION #210-12**

**AUTHORIZE AGREEMENT WITH COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY**  
On motion of Councilman Rounds, seconded by Councilman Alexander, the  
following resolution was ADOPTED

**AYES 5      Alexander, Rounds, Geraghty, Reed, Baker- Marcella**  
**NAYS 0**

**RESOLVED**, to authorize the Supervisor to sign the 2013 Senior Transportation  
agreement with Community Action Agency in the amount of \$195.00 per trip which  
are scheduled for the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month.

**RESOLUTION #211-12**

**AUTHORIZE 2013 SNOW AND ICE CONTRACT WITH WARREN COUNTY**  
On motion of Councilwoman Reed, seconded by Councilman Rounds, the attached  
resolution was ADOPTED

**AYES 5      Alexander, Rounds, Geraghty, Reed, Baker- Marcella**  
**NAYS 0**

**RESOLUTION #212-12**

**WARRENSBURG EMS HEARING**

**On the motion of Councilwoman Reed, seconded by Councilman Alexander, the**  
**following resolution was ADOPTED**

**AYES 5      Alexander, Rounds, Geraghty, Reed, Baker- Marcella**  
**NAYS 0**

**RESOLVED**, to schedule a public hearing on January 9, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. for the  
proposed Warrensburg EMS Contract with the Town of Warrensburg for the year  
2013.

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**RESOLUTION #213-12**

**SCHEDULE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

**On motion of Councilwoman Reed, seconded by Councilman Alexander, the following resolution was ADOPTED**

**AYES 5      Alexander, Rounds, Geraghty, Reed, Baker- Marcella**

**NAYS 0**

**IT IS RESOLVED, to hold the Organizational Meeting for the Warrensburg Town Board for the year 2013 on Wednesday, January 2, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.**

**DISCUSSION – ASSOCIATION OF TOWNS**

Supervisor Geraghty explained to the Town Board the contracts and reservations for AOT need to be signed by the Town to allow the Town Officials to attend Association of Towns in February of 2013 and to allow the Town Clerk to set up a bus contract with Upstate Transit for transportation for Association of Towns. It was noted the bus contract did increase by a total of \$50.00 for the year 2013.

**RESOLUTION #214-12**

**AUTHORIZE ATTENDANCE AND UPSTATE CONTRACT FOR TRANSPORTATION FOR 2013 ASSOCIATION OF TOWNS.**

**On motion of Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Rounds, the following resolution was ADOPTED**

**AYES 5      Alexander, Rounds, Geraghty, Reed, Baker- Marcella**

**NAYS 0**

**IT IS RESOLVED, to allow Town Officials to attend the Association of Towns in February of 2013 and further to allow the Town Clerk to enter into a bus contract with Upstate Transit and to sell seats on the bus to other towns to pay for the bus.**

**DISCUSSION –ADIRONDACK/GLENS FALLS TRANSPORTATION**

Councilwoman Baker-Marcella opened discussion thanking Kathy Varney for information regarding Adirondack/Glens Falls Transportation Counsel, who is funded through the federal government. Councilwoman Baker Marcella explained they receive money to do Planning for municipalities; the subject has to relate to transportation although not public transportation, that is a separate program. Councilwoman Baker Marcella said that everything would be provided to the town at no cost to the town other than in-kind service, they are trying to set up their work schedule for the year.

Discussion ensued. Supervisor Geraghty said if they might look at the crash records for Elm Street and Richards Avenue to make a determination for a better solution other than moving the stop signs up which moves the stop line up which puts you into the cross walk. Councilwoman Reed pointed out that the crosswalk over by the tennis courts over to the school does not even go to the sidewalk. Discussion ensued

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on Library Avenue being a Warren County Road. Councilman Alexander spoke about the fifteen second delay at the red light at the Bandstand, saying the town has been trying for many years to get a left hand turn signal, fifteen second delay, which is another study that could be done. Councilwoman Baker-Marcella said they would use this program to obtain a complete plan, then they would use that plan when they were looking for grants, funding and said it would really improve the Town's chances of getting this grant if something pertained to the Town's Comprehensive Plan under Main Street Revitalization.

Discussion ensued. Councilwoman Baker Marcella suggested they tie in how the outskirts of Warrensburg looks when you are first driving into the Town and suggested perhaps they could tie all of that together and asked the Town Board if they would be willing to support that. Councilman Alexander said the sidewalks and street lamps are all going to be taken care of, and Councilwoman Baker Marcella said this would be this side of the bridge. Supervisor Geraghty asked Highway Superintendent Pennock to discuss this with the Highway Department to see if they had suggestions for needed changes. Councilwoman Baker Marcella said she spoke with Kate Mance and that Ms. Mance is expecting a letter from the Town Supervisor. Councilwoman Baker Marcella said she wished to bring up the Comprehensive Plan and the fact that the Town has done some of the things in it already, and, asked to have the Town Board take some time to update the Comprehensive Plan. Councilwoman Baker Marcella told the Chamber President, Lynn Smith that the Economic Development Committee wished to invite the Chamber to be involved with the Committee so that they were not going in different directions. Supervisor Geraghty said they will put something together, and, asked the town board to email him their thoughts and he will do the letter to Kate.

Discussion ensued on the grants the town has applied for through the Greater Transportation Counsel. Highway Superintendent Pennock told the Town Board he has applied for a grant from them for sidewalks for First Street, up Hudson Street and through the Cemetery. Superintendent Pennock said he and Patty worked together to do these applications and get them sent in and they should hear sometime in January. Supervisor Geraghty said Hudson Street is supposed to be done for drainage and the curbs put back on Hudson Street in the spring.

### **DISCUSSION – WARREN COUNTY INFO CENTER**

Supervisor Geraghty announced that Greg Klinger is working on displaying information on the Town of Warrensburg at the Adirondack Factory Outlet Mall, the County sent out an email to the Town and to the Chamber of Commerce seeking pictures and brochures. Supervisor Geraghty said the Town proper does not have a brochure, the Town is going to put the trail brochure down there and there are spaces for six brochures for the town, they also gave the Chamber spaces. Supervisor Geraghty said Greg had been taking pictures so they have picked out six good ones to display for the town, he was not sure what the Chamber did but the

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deadline was for December 6<sup>th</sup>. Supervisor Geraghty said the Board may just develop a brochure on the town incorporating some of the other stuff or they may just include the trail brochures. Sandi Parisi asked if the rack card was included. Supervisor Geraghty said the Town gave them six images, it is expected there will be thirteen posters and thirteen brochure displays, 30 inches by 4 deep.

**DISCUSSION – RECREATION FIELD**

Supervisor Geraghty opened discussion explaining the Town Board received an email from a theatre group who wishes to use the Town Recreation Field stage for weekly comedy productions this summer. Supervisor Geraghty said they are waiting to receive more information, he and the Town Board all feel it is a good idea.

Councilwoman Reed added that because this group does not do refreshments they all feel it would be a great opportunity for the youth league and the school, and the museum to serve the refreshments.

**DISCUSSION – OUT OF DISTRICT CONTRACTS**

Town Attorney Hafner opened discussion explaining he and the Town Board have been working to provide out of district water and sewer contracts for the Price Chopper project, the parcels are intended to have more than the proposed Price Chopper, it is proposed to have a bank, office and a couple other commercial buildings on there. Mr. Hafner said it is also going to provide sewer and water to the Mobile Station who has had issued with their septic and according to the State need to get it fixed. Mr. Hafner said the contracts have been reviewed by the Supervisor, the Town Engineer and the Town Board, he had asked for any comments when they met last week and did receive written comment from Tom Suozzo, the Town Engineer and did make that change and he was going to ask the Town Board to sign off on the contract tonight. Mr. Hafner said he felt the contract is in good shape and the developer for Price Chopper has asked for it several times because they need to decide if it works for them.

Supervisor Geraghty asked the Town Board if there were any other questions about those two contracts and then asked for a resolution.

**RESOLUTION #215-12**

**AUTHORIZE CONTRACTS FOR OUT OF DISTRICT WATER AND SEWER AGREEMENTS BE SENT TO DEVELOPER FOR THE PRICE CHOPPER PLAZA.**

On motion of Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Rounds, the attached resolution was ADOPTED by the following roll call vote:

Councilman Alexander	Aye
Councilman Rounds	Aye
Supervisor Geraghty	Aye
Councilwoman Reed	Aye
Councilwoman Baker-Marcella	Aye

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### **DISCUSSION –HHHN LEASE**

Town Attorney Hafner said he has been working on the Health Center Lease for a forty year contract, they need to have a lease for the right term of years in order to qualify. Attorney Hafner said the lease has been reviewed by the Town Board, it has been provided to Hudson Headwaters, they have approved all of the Town's comments except one, the right to terminate after 20 years. Mr. Hafner said he discussed the 40 year proposal with the Town Supervisor who felt it would be agreeable with the Town Board, he spoke with Trip Shannon yesterday, the contract can be signed around Christmas time. Supervisor Geraghty said he wished to let the Town residents know the cost for the operation of the Health Center will be less than what we are paying now, in the current agreement, he feels this is the right thing, this building will be a show piece for Main Street and it is his understanding they will break ground in the spring, there should be a few jobs created.

Councilwoman Baker Marcella said she had concerns with extending the contract from 20 years to 40 years that those numbers will not be adequate in forty years where they require specific things. Councilwoman Baker – Marcella asked the Attorney to make a note to review those things. Attorney Hafner told Councilwoman Baker – Marcella that there will be a five million dollar umbrella and the second change is that our amounts be the same as theirs.

Attorney Hafner told the Town Board they expect the document to be ready to be signed right around Christmas time.

### **Discussion – Great Escape Out of District Sewer Agreement**

Attorney Hafner opened discussion telling the Town Board he has been working on an out of district sewer contract with Lake George Great Escape Campground, the town already has a short term contract with them where they truck their water in for treatment, the idea was it would be replaced with a long term out of district sewer agreement. The Lake George Great Escape Campground will bring their sewer lines to the town's side of the river and donate those lines to the Town of Warrensburg sewer district. Attorney Hafner said he had been waiting to do that agreement until after the Price Chopper agreement was done and the Town Board's comments were done.

Supervisor Geraghty said this agreement will be significantly different than the Price Chopper agreement because the Town needs to make changes to the treatment plant which Lake George Great Escape Campground will pay for, this will be at no cost to the tax payers. This sewer line will come down Horicon Avenue and allow the Town to pick up a lot of the homes on Horicon Avenue for the Sewer District, the intent is that when the pipe comes down to leave lateral stubs for each house along the route.

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**RESOLUTION #216-12**

**BUDGET TRANSFERS/MODIFICATIONS**

**On motion of Councilwoman Reed, seconded by Councilwoman Baker-Marcella,  
the attached resolution was ADOPTED**

**AYES 5      Alexander, Rounds, Geraghty, Reed, Baker- Marcella**

**NAYS 0**

**RESOLUTION #217-12**

**PAY BILLS**

**On motion of Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Rounds, the  
following resolution was ADOPTED**

**AYES 5      Alexander, Rounds, Geraghty, Reed, Baker- Marcella**

**NAYS 0**

**RESOLVED, to pay the bills on Abstract #12-12 in the following amounts:**

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>\$77,560.78</b>
<b>Highway Fund</b>	<b>\$69,318.82</b>
<b>Lighting Fund</b>	<b>\$ 6,678.10</b>
<b>Sewer Fund</b>	<b>\$49,386.85</b>
<b>Water Fund</b>	<b>\$57,261.15</b>
<b>Meters Capital Project</b>	<b>\$ 5,712.93</b>
<b>Brownfield Capital</b>	<b>\$ 79.80</b>

**TOWN BOARD COMMENTS**

**Councilwoman Linda Baker – Marcella thanked the residents and the employees at  
the Landfill for implementing the Town Board's recommendations on plastic  
recyclables.**

**Councilwoman Reed – said thank you to the citizens of the Town of Warrensburg  
for allowing her to represent them and thank you to Kevin and the rest of the Board  
for their patience and support, she did know she is not politically inclined.**

**Councilwoman Reed said thank you to all of the Town Employees and said together,  
this Board and the employees have made great strides for moving this Board  
forward, and, she looked forward to more accomplishments.**

**Councilman Alexander – made comments on the Landfill and thanks to all involved  
in working on the landfill and talked about the infrastructure of the Town and how  
it is something the public wants.**

**Supervisor Geraghty thanked the Town employees for helping the Town accomplish  
what they needed to, saying they have meters in 99 percent of the homes and the  
Town will end in black in every district this year, the first time since he has been in  
office that every district will not owe any district. Supervisor Geraghty said he could**

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**not have done that without this Board. Supervisor Geraghty recommended that everyone try a glass of water to drink.**

**Supervisor Geraghty spoke about the grants the Town has applied for and said he does not feel the Town will receive any monies because of Hurricane Sandy. Supervisor Geraghty said the challenge for next year is to address the Bandstand and the residents and the town board will need to pitch in as a community and rebuild that bandstand. Supervisor Geraghty stressed the need to rebuild the Bandstand and said that will be the initiative for next year.**

### **PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR-PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Teresa Whalen addressed the Town Board telling them she wished to discuss the logo contest and said the sentiment she has been hearing from the public is that the Band Stand is the town's recognizable symbol for the Town of Warrensburg. Ms. Whalen suggested the Board might wish to add a new slogan to the symbol but to not have the Band Stand be the focal point it has always been would not be advantageous to the Town. Ms. Whalen suggested the Town might want to promote a new slogan for the contest. Ms. Whalen said with that in mind and with what the Supervisor had just said about the Bandstand that Beautification would like to offer its help with the restoration and they could lead a fundraising campaign and not just necessarily money, this Band Stand is the definition of community pride.**

**Supervisor Geraghty said he was told by the former County Attorney today that a town cannot go out and solicit funds, so the Board will be speaking to her and would be thankful for any support the Board can get from her organization.**

**Sandi Parisi – suggested the Town Board might tie in to the Bi Centennial for the Town.**

**Councilwoman Reed said she has heard what everyone had to say tonight about the logo, what they had been trying to accomplish was something to go on a brochure that the Town passes out to entice people to come to Warrensburg, not just to drive through. Councilwoman Reed said her intent was not to change the whole logo of the Town; that the wording they probably should have used was they wanted something to go on the brochure that says Town of Warrensburg to entice them or to put on the brochure to send out to somebody saying this is what we have to offer.**

**Ms. Whalen told Councilwoman Reed she felt that was great and said she felt they should have a group of people working on the brochure and said she would have Greg change what they are looking for, something for the front of the brochure to entice people to come here.**

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**Supervisor Geraghty said the positive to come out of this is that people noticed, now the Town Board can change its course and she can incorporate something onto the Band Stand and move forward.**

**Lynn Smith, Warrensburg Chamber of Commerce President-announced the Chamber has moved to its new address and will be hosting an open house on January 27<sup>th</sup>, a Sunday, at 3:00 p.m. and that everyone is invited to come down and visit the new facility.**

**Sandi Parisi asked if a town brochure was not the responsibility of the Chamber of Commerce. Supervisor Geraghty said it is, but the County wanted the Towns to have their say in it, too. Supervisor Geraghty said the Town can work with the Chamber but there are certain things the Town Board wishes to focus on as a Town.**

**Supervisor Geraghty wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.**

**On motion of Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Rounds, the meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Donna A. Combs, Town Clerk**