

## **WORKSHOP MEETING, TOWN OF MOUNT HOPE, MARCH 22, 2010**

The **workshop meeting** of the Town Board of the Town of Mount Hope was held at Town Hall on **March 22, 2010** at 7:30pm with the following present: Supervisor William Novak Jr., Councilman Mike Bell, Councilman Greg Stiles, Councilwoman Kathy Russo, Councilman Ed Fairweather and Deputy Town Clerk Amy Hassenmayer.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** T. Gilmore, D. Hassenmayer/H'way Supt., L. Fairweather, B. Rebman, T. Damiani, D. Tripken, OIC Mann, I. Stiles, O. Pierson, E. Devine and Zachary Kelson, Esq.

**Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Supervisor Novak called the meeting to order at 7:30PM.**

### **PRIOR MEETING MINUTES ACCEPTANCE:**

**MOTION** by Mr. Stiles seconded by Mr. Bell that the minutes of the March 8, 2010 meeting as submitted and approved. All in favor – Bell, Stiles, Novak, Russo, Fairweather. Carried.

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. Supervisors Report for February, 2010
2. Raffle Consent Form from Occupations Inc.
3. Letter from Congressman John Hall, Hon. Annie Rabbit and Senator Bonacic re: Terrorist Trials not to be held in Orange County.
4. Letter from Orange & Rockland re: Thanking for assistance with snowstorm of 2/25/2010 and 2/26/2010.
5. Memo from Greenville Supervisor George Hossan re: not in favor of MTA Payroll Tax.
6. Town Tax Collector monthly report for February, 2010

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

#### **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:**

Mr. Hassenmayer reported: Hach's Hachers will be making the connections to the camera system for the Town Park on Thursday 3/25/2010. The internet is needed for system and he called Frontier and Time Warner. Frontier quoted a price of \$99/month with a connection fee of \$55. Time Warner quoted a price of \$160/month with a substantially higher connection fee. Discussion ensued. Mr. Stiles questioned the price for the internet and did we really need it. Mr. Stiles would like to try the digital vision first before we go to internet.

Mr. Hassenmayer advised he is getting applications for the temporary position at the park. Start date will be April 14<sup>th</sup>.

Reminder of Spring Clean-up dates for April 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.

#### **APPROVAL FOR INTERNET CONNECTION FROM FRONTIER FOR CAMERA AT TOWN PARK:**

**MOTION** by Mr. Fairweather seconded by Mr. Stiles to approve Motion as amended to install the internet connection from Frontier for camera at Town Park for a six month trial period.

All in favor – Bell, Stiles, Novak, Russo, Fairweather. Carried.

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### **POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

OIC Mann requested executive session re: Civil Service issue.

### **PLANNING BOARD:**

Mr. Gilmore advised that their meeting was last week.

Mr. Pierson and Mr. Duffy gave a presentation on the sports dome which was very informative.

### **VILLAGE OF OTISVILLE:**

No report.

### **HIDDEN VALLEY:**

Mr. Stiles advised meeting held last week with EnviroQuip was very informative and positive. Testing will be done this week. Plant is not a 100% yet but is working. Everyone is working diligently on this matter. There will be a full meeting when problems are fixed and everything is running as should be. He advised he would like to end discussions at this time.

### **PUBLIC HEARING FOR ATV LAW:**

**MOTION by Mr. Fairweather seconded by Mr. Bell to schedule a Public Hearing on April 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm for the ATV Law (Local Law #1-2010) All in favor – Bell, Stiles, Novak, Russo, Fairweather. Carried.**

### **RETIREMENT RESOLUTION 315.4:**

Mr. Novak advised he received a Disc on this matter and will e-mail this information to Zachary Kelson, Esq.

### **AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO DRAFT MTA TAX LETTER:**

**MOTION by Mr. Stiles seconded by Mr. Bell to authorize Supervisor Novak to draft a letter protesting the MTA tax of 2009 to be sent to: President, Atty. General, Senator and Assembly All in favor – Bell, Stiles, Novak, Russo, Fairweather. Carried.**

### **INSURANCE PROPOSAL FROM HUTCHINGS AGENCY:**

**MOTION by Mr. Fairweather seconded by Mr. Bell to accept the 2010 Insurance Proposal from Hutchings Agency (Trident) for the town. All in favor – Bell, Stiles, Novak, Russo, Fairweather. Carried.**

### **APPROVAL TO SELL RAFFLE TICKETS REQUEST BY OCCUPATIONS INC.:**

**MOTION by Mr. Stiles seconded by Mrs. Russo to approve the request to sell raffle tickets from Occupations Inc. within the limits of the Town of Mount Hope; consent will be signed and returned to Occupations Inc. All in favor – Bell, Stiles, Novak, Russo, Fairweather. Carried.**

### **SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:**

**MOTION by Mr. Fairweather seconded by Mrs. Russo to approve the Supervisor's report for February 2010 as printed. All in favor – Bell, Stiles, Novak, Russo, Fairweather. Carried.**

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**AUDIT OF CLAIMS:**

**MOTION** by Mr. Stiles seconded by Mr. Fairweather to approve the following bills, with the exception of bill from WWT of Jim DeWinter that Mr. Stiles needs to speak with him:

<b>GENERAL A:</b>	<b>#126-146</b>	<b>\$47222.83</b>
<b>GENERAL B:</b>	<b>#26-34</b>	<b>\$ 8006.79</b>
<b>HIGHWAY:</b>	<b>#50-60</b>	<b>\$35788.88</b>
<b>SEWER:</b>	<b>#20-24</b>	<b>\$ 7431.63</b>
<b>WWT:</b>	<b>#22-27</b>	<b>\$ 7363.91</b>

**All in favor – Bell, Stiles, Novak, Russo, Fairweather. Carried.**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Mr. Damiani advised that the meeting held with EnviroQuip was very informative and handled very well. Mr. Novak thanked Mr. Damiani and Mr. Redman for coming to the meeting and that it is good to see residents get involved.

**BOARD COMMENTS:**

Mr. Bell thanked Town Clerk Kathleen Myers and Deputy Town Clerk Amy Hassenmayer for making follow-up calls to residents re: Library Cards.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**MOTION** by Mr. Stiles seconded by Mr. Bell to enter into executive session at 8:25pm to discuss contract negotiations.

**All in favor – Bell, Stiles, Novak, Russo, Fairweather. Carried.**

**RECONVENE REGULAR SESSION:**

**MOTION** by Mr. Stiles seconded by Mrs. Russo to reconvene regular session at 9:15pm from executive session. **NO ACTION WAS TAKEN AT THIS SESSION.**

**All in favor – Bell, Stiles, Novak, Russo, Fairweather. Carried.**

**AMENDED HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFITS FOR TOWN CLERK:**

**MOTION** by Mr. Fairweather seconded by Mr. Stiles to approve the amended health insurance benefits for the Town Clerk.

**All in favor – Bell, Stiles, Novak, Russo, Fairweather. Carried.**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION** by Mr. Stiles seconded by Mr. Bell to adjourn the meeting at 9:20pm. **All in favor – Bell, Stiles, Novak, Russo, Fairweather. Carried.**

**The next meeting is scheduled for April 12, 2010 at 7:30pm.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Amy Hassenmayer, Deputy Town Clerk