

REGULAR MEETING, TOWN OF MOUNT HOPE, OCTOBER 10, 2012
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The regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Mount Hope was held at Town Hall on **October 10, 2012** at 7:30pm with the following present: Supervisor William Novak, Councilman Michael Bell, Councilman Gary Ketcham, Councilwoman Janet Sutherland, Councilman Ed Fairweather and Town Clerk Kathleen Myers.

PUBLIC PRESENT: L. Fairweather, Highway Supt. D. Hassenmayer, M. Horzepa, T. Coppola, Town Attorney Z. Kelson, R. Kelson, D. Loeven, F. Jashembowski, Chief Rickard.

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

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE PRIOR MEETING MINUTES:

MOTION by Councilman Fairweather seconded by Councilman Bell that the minutes of the 9-24-2012 meeting as submitted are approved. All in favor – Bell, Ketcham, Novak, Sutherland, Fairweather. Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Budget Modifications – Highway
2. Insurance Certificate for Mike Romano Electric
3. RABIES Clinic, Town of Minisink, 10-21-12

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

POLICE DEPT. by Chief Rickard:

Chief Rickard reported that the focus group met last week and will meet again before the holiday season. The new handguns are in and in service. The Victims Rights Ceremony will be on April 24, 2013. He will touch base with Dean on a location to plant the tree at the park for this ceremony. The DVR is broken at the station. There are now 2 cameras outside the building; one being down by the senior center. The Facebook page is up. The NIXLE is working now. Chief requested to meet with the board for their budget. Councilman Fairweather asked about Officer Santosky leave of absence request. Chief wants to table this until next meeting.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT by Highway Supt. Hassenmayer:

Highway Supt. Hassenmayer reported that the fall trash days start tomorrow. He reminded everyone that any seniors needing pick up at their house need to call Julie to schedule it.

VILLAGE OF OTISVILLE by Supervisor Novak:

Supervisor stated that he spoke to Mayor Wona. They are good with the Halloween curfew. The Village board has not scheduled their meeting yet for the fire district. If our board picks a couple dates, then they will try to coordinate. Discussion ensued on various dates. Town board agreed to change our 2nd meeting from the 22nd to the 29th or 30th at 7pm. (7:00pm would be for the joint meeting then 7:30pm would be for the regular town board meeting.) Discussion also ensued regarding the 1st meeting in November changing due to the Veteran's Day holiday. They agreed on 7:00pm for November 8th. Ms. Loeven added the Village workshop meeting is tomorrow night.

RESOLUTION TO SCHEDULE A DATE FOR THE JOINT MEETING FOR THE FIRE DISTRICT:

MOTION by Councilman Fairweather seconded by Councilman Bell to schedule a joint meeting with the Village of Otisville on October 30, 2012 at 7:00pm to set a date for a public hearing on the formation of a joint fire district. All in favor – Bell, Ketcham, Novak, Sutherland, Fairweather. Carried.

RESOLUTION TO CHANGE THE 2ND MEETING IN OCTOBER:

MOTION by Councilman Fairweather seconded by Councilman Bell to change the 2nd meeting in October from October 22, 2012 to October 30, 2012 at 7:30pm. All in favor – Bell, Ketcham, Novak, Sutherland, Fairweather. Carried.

BUDGET MEETING DATES for the 2013 TENTATIVE BUDGET:

Supervisor Novak stated that the town board needs some meeting dates for the 2013 tentative budget. After discussion, the board agreed on October 17th and October 24, 2012 at 6:30pm. Supervisor Novak will contact the justices, highway and police to pick meeting times with department heads.

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RESOLUTION TO CHANGE THE 1ST MEETING IN NOVEMBER AND SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING FOR 2013 PRELIMINARY BUDGET:

MOTION by Councilman Bell seconded by Councilwoman Sutherland TO CHANGE THE 1ST MEETING in November to November 8, 2012 at 7:30pm from November 12 due to the Veterans Day holiday AND to schedule the Public Hearing for the 2013 Preliminary Budget on November 8, 2012 at 7:00pm. Regular meeting will follow public hearing. All in favor – Bell, Ketcham, Novak, Sutherland, Fairweather. Carried.

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE BUDGET MODIFICATIONS:

MOTION by Councilman Fairweather seconded by Councilman Bell to approve the following budget modification:

Increase Unclassified Revenue D2770 by \$1,226.50; also increase Machinery Repairs D5130.4 by \$1226.50.

All in favor – Bell, Ketcham, Novak, Sutherland, Fairweather. Carried.

RESOLUTION TO THE AUDIT THE CLAIMS:

MOTION by Councilman Bell seconded by Councilman Fairweather to approve the following bills:

GENERAL A:	#538-572	\$ 56,125.86
GENERAL B:	#102-107	\$ 5,424.32
HIGHWAY:	#147-154	\$ 41,688.43
SEWER:	#94-99	\$ 3,224.12
ASSET FORFEITURE:	#1	\$ 3,838.00.

All in favor – Bell, Ketcham, Novak, Sutherland, Fairweather. Carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Ms. Loeven questioned upcoming meeting dates.

Ms. Loeven spoke re: Hometown Helpers and thanked Angie, Amy and Kathleen for all they do.

BOARD COMMENTS:

Supervisor Novak spoke re: defensive driving being offered to veterans and their families for free.

Supervisor Novak spoke re: the lack of cell phone service and needing a booster.

Supervisor stated that the Thrall library budget info was put in all board members mailboxes and the Howells Fire preliminary budget figures on front table. He also stated the members of the community advisory committee are: Nick Amendola, Alan Lewis, Rev. Farley and Leo Ortiz.

Attorney Kelson stated that the Waste Connections meeting will be on 10-12 at 11am.

Supervisor Novak added that the Orange County Veterans have a van to transport veterans and looking into possibly transporting seniors. He also noted that the Historical Society is having their Fall Festival on 10-28.


Councilman Fairweather spoke re: Historic Society obtaining 151 old postcards for which Ken Coppola donated \$100 towards the purchase of same.

RESOLUTION FOR ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION by Councilman Fairweather seconded by Councilman Bell to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm. All in favor – Bell, Ketcham, Novak, Sutherland, Fairweather. Carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 30, 2012 at 7:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Kathleen A. Myers
Town Clerk