

REGULAR MEETING, TOWN OF MOUNT HOPE, AUGUST 13, 2012
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The **regular meeting** of the Town Board of the Town of Mount Hope was held at Town Hall on **August 13, 2012** 7:30pm with the following present: William Novak Jr. Supervisor, Councilman Ed Fairweather, Councilman Michael Bell, Councilman Gary Ketcham, Councilwoman Janet Sutherland and Town Clerk Kathleen Myers.

PUBLIC PRESENT: Highway Supt. D. Hassenmayer, T. Gilmore, L. Fairweather, B. Rebman, M. Horzepa, Chief Rickard, S. Marshall, D. Marshall, J. Jennings, W. Melton & daughter, Attorney Z. Kelson.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Supervisor Novak following the Pledge of Allegiance.

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT PRIOR MEETING MINUTES:

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

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Police Dept. monthly report 07-12
2. Request from Assessor to purchase a new printer
3. Planning Board meeting minutes 7-16-12
4. Building Dept. monthly report 07-12
5. T/O Wawayanda Public Hearing notice 8-21-12 7pm re: zoning changes
6. Supervisors report for June 2012
7. Text Alert information

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

POLICE DEPARTMENT by Chief Rickard:

Chief reported that the Glockes are in and the officers need the qualifying training. They are awaiting approval from Albany. Sherri is back 2 days/week. This is Arielle's last week. Carol will fill in the other 2 days/week. Chief will attend a meeting tomorrow re: the fair. Chief received a call from the County re: hosting the 2013 Crime Victims Rights Ceremony. A tree would be planted – possibly at the park – for the 2012 victims of homicide and domestic violence. It would be in April 2013. He will be writing a resolution for the ID card discussed at a previous meeting. The department has been having issues with their phone system. He has received a quote from Frontier and Zack has given him another name of a phone company to get a quote from as well. He requested permission to attend the IMPACT Records Management seminar in Saratoga from 9-10-12 through 9-12-12; hotel will cost approx. \$318.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE HOSTING THE 2013 CRIME VICTIMS RIGHTS CEREMONY:

MOTION by Councilman Bell seconded by Councilwoman Sutherland to approve hosting the 2013 Crime Victims Rights Ceremony (in April 2013) by planting a tree, possibly at the Town Park in memory of the 2012 victims of domestic violence and homicide. All in favor – Bell, Ketcham, Novak, Sutherland, Fairweather. Carried.

RESOLUTION FOR POLICE CHIEF TO ATTEND IMPACT RECORDS MANAGEMENT SEMINAR:

MOTION by Councilman Bell seconded by Councilman Fairweather to authorize the Police Chief to attend the IMPACT Records Management Seminar in Saratoga from Sept. 10 through Sept. 12 and the hotel cost is approx. \$318. All in favor – Bell, Ketcham, Novak, Sutherland, Fairweather. Carried.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT by Supt. Hassenmayer:

Supt. Hassenmayer asked permission to attend Highway school in Rochester, NY from 9-25-12 through 9-28-12 (approx. cost \$1,000). The salt shed repairs have been started. He requested approval for the guys to help with the fair. He can still order salt through Aug. 31st. Tomorrow the guys will start on the salt shed addition.

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RESOLUTION TO ALLOW HIGHWAY EMPLOYEES TO ASSIST WITH COUNTRY FAIR:

MOTION by Councilman Bell seconded by Councilman Ketcham to authorize the Town Highway employees to assist with the Otisville Country Fair as it is advantageous to the community and a joint venture with the Otisville Country fair and the Lions Club. All in favor – Bell, Ketcham, Novak, Sutherland. Abstained – Fairweather. Carried.

RESOLUTION TO ATTEND HIGHWAY CONFERENCE IN ROCHESTER:

MOTION by Councilman Fairweather seconded by Councilman Bell to authorize the Highway Supt. Dean Hassenmayer to attend the Highway Conference in Rochester, NY from Sept. 25 through 28th; cost is approx. \$1000. All in favor – Bell, Ketcham, Novak, Sutherland, Fairweather. Carried.

VILLAGE OF OTISVILLE by Trustee Melton:

Mr. Melton reported that the village has been meeting with the steering committee re: fire district. He requested the town board talk and agree on a date to have a joint meeting. Mr. Kelson asked who the fire district attorney is. Mr. Melton stated that it is Frank Simeone. Mr. Kelson asked that Mr. Simeone email him with the necessary information. Supervisor Novak asked that the proposed budget be available for the meeting. Councilman Fairweather asked if someone from the village could look into the residents that abut up to the senior building property and the fact that they throw brush and other garbage over the bank. It looks terrible looking from the building towards the parking lot. Mr. Melton will look into it. The board discussed and agreed that a joint meeting date that works for them is 9-12-12 at 7pm.

HIDDEN VALLEY by Supervisor Novak:

Supervisor Novak stated that things are running good at the plant.

PLANNING BOARD by Chairman Gilmore:

Mr. Gilmore reported that next weeks meeting is cancelled. The last meeting Grange project was approved and a one lot subdivision for Hosking was approved.

FIRE CONTRACT by Supervisor Novak:

Supervisor Novak spoke about the proposed fire contract. There was a clause that was omitted but has been added back in re: fire equipment. The contract is proposed for \$312,029.06 effective 6-1-12 through 5-31-12. We need a vote to approve and authorize the Supervisor to sign.

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE TOWN SUPERVISOR TO SIGN FIRE CONTRACT:

MOTION by Councilman Bell seconded by Councilman Fairweather to approve the fire contract 'nunc pro tunc' as presented and to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign the fire contract (1 year \$312,029.06 effective 6-1-2012 through 5-31-2013). All in favor – Bell, Ketcham, Novak, Sutherland, Fairweather. Carried.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PRINTER PURCHASE for ASSESSOR'S OFFICE:

MOTION by Councilman Fairweather seconded by Councilman Bell to authorize the Assessor to purchase the Xerox ColorQube 8570DN from Tyger Direct. All in favor – Bell, Ketcham, Novak, Sutherland, Fairweather. Carried.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE SUPERVISORS REPORT:

MOTION by Councilman Bell seconded by Councilwoman Sutherland to approve the June 2012 Supervisor's report as presented. All in favor - Bell, Ketcham, Novak, Sutherland, Fairweather. Carried.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE BEN DIAS FOR DOG CONTROL OFFICER:

MOTION by Councilman Bell seconded by Councilman Ketcham to approve the hiring of Ben Dias as the Dog Control Officer for an annual salary of \$3,000 effective June 21, 2012. All in favor - Bell, Ketcham, Novak, Sutherland, Fairweather. Carried.

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RESOLUTION FOR NEW PHONE SYSTEM:

MOTION by Councilman Fairweather seconded by Councilman Bell to purchase a new phone system for the Town Hall/Highway building (\$5,633.00) and the Police building (\$5,866) based on the lowest bid and according to the Procurement Policy. All in favor – Bell, Ketcham, Novak, Sutherland, Fairweather. Carried.

RESOLUTION TO AUDIT THE CLAIMS:

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

ABSTRACT 13:

GENERAL A:	#399-417	\$ 47,737.50	
GENERAL B:	#74-79	\$ 2,899.34	
HIGHWAY:	#106-113	\$ 55,808.97	
SEWER:	#69-74	\$ 4,096.62	
CAP RES ROAD REPAIR #1		\$ 25,000.00	AND

ABSTRACT 14:

GENERAL A:	#418-452	\$ 39,483.78
GENERAL B:	#80-86	\$ 3,491.28
HIGHWAY:	#114-118	\$ 27,772.54
SEWER:	#75-79	\$ 3,327.50
FINI ESCROW:	#1	\$ 480.00.

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

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

**Mr. Damiani spoke re: abandoned property policy? Per Mr. Kelson, there is state law on that now.

**Mr. Jennings asked permission for the highway to help with the fair. Per Councilman Fairweather – this was already done. Councilwoman Sutherland asked about the parade route.

RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN:

MOTION by Councilman Bell seconded by Councilman Ketcham to adjourn the meeting at 8:09pm. All in favor – Bell, Ketcham, Novak, Fairweather, Sutherland. Carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 10, 2012 at 7:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen A. Myers
Town Clerk