

**Town of Knox
Regular Meeting / Public Hearing
November 4, 2009**

PRESENT: Supervisor Hammond
Councilwoman Gage
Councilman Decker
Councilwoman Nagengast
Councilman Viscio

ALSO: Town Clerk Swain
Highway Superintendent Salisbury
Town Attorney Dorfman

The meeting was called to order at 7:28 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

RESOLUTION # 116 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Councilwoman Gage, seconded by Councilwoman Nagengast, the following resolution was ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVED that the minutes of the October 13th and October 20th special meeting be approved.

RESOLUTION # 117 - APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS

On motion of Councilman Viscio, seconded by Councilwoman Nagengast, the following resolution was ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVED that the Reports of the Supervisor and Town Clerk for the Month of October 2009 be approved.

RESOLUTION # 118 - PAYMENT OF BILLS

On motion of Councilman Decker, seconded by Councilman Viscio, the following resolution was ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVED that the Bills be paid on General Abstract #011 of the General Fund, covering claims # 379-394 & 401-407 and of the Highway Fund, covering claims # 369-378 & 395-400 for the year 2009.

RESOLUTION #119 -SUSPEND REGULAR BOARD MEETING AT 7:34 P.M. FOR PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE SECTION 8 HUD HOUSING PROGRAM AND TENTATIVE TOWN BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010

On motion of Councilman Viscio, seconded by Councilman Decker, the following resolution was ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVED that the Town Board suspend regular board meeting for the Public Hearing on the Section 8 HUD Housing Program and tentative town budget for fiscal year 2010.

Terri Ray, Supervisor of the U.S. Section 8 HUD Housing Choice Voucher Program for the Schenectady-based firm of Joseph Mastrianni, Inc., presented the 2009 statistics for the Housing Choice Voucher Plan, which helps lower income families and the elderly with rental assistance. The Town of Knox, which in past years has been able to help twenty families, is down to seventeen, due to the economic crisis, the funding is no longer available. Terry Ray announced that a public hearing for said program is no longer necessary.

RESOLUTION #120 -AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO MAKE PAYMENT OF \$23,588.00 TO THE NEW YORK STATE LOCAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR THE 2010 EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION

On motion of Councilwoman Gage, seconded by Councilwoman Nagengast, the following resolution was ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVED to authorize Supervisor to make the annual employer contribution payment to the New York State Local Retirement System, for a total of \$23,588.00 for the year 2010.

Architect Charlie Sacco informed the board members of the status of the Town Hall Renovation. The contractor for the siding has retracted the original submittal for the colors selected. Charlie presented the board with different color samples of siding for the board to review. No decisions were made. Charlie to meet with contractor tomorrow, Thursday, November 5th.

Supervisor Hammond presented the board with the request to purchase a snow blower for the Town Hall. Louis Saddlemire, researched a few different machines with recommendations he thought would be best for the Town. The snow blower from Turnpike Power, scored the highest for all recommendations.

RESOLUTION #121 -PURCHASE RECOMMENDED CUB CADET SNOW BLOWER FROM TURNPIKE POWER FOR \$1,270.00 IN ADDITION TO A SNOW CAB FOR THE SNOW BLOWER FOR \$145.00

On motion of Councilwoman Gage, seconded by Councilman Viscio, the following resolution was ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVED to purchase the recommended Cub Cadet snow blower from Turnpike Power for \$1,270.00 and a snow cab for \$145.00.

Supervisor Hammond sent letters to propane providers on the cost of the initial fill for the propane tank. Responses were from MAR-GAS for \$1.49, no charge for safety gas system check, Long Oil for \$1.69, Nolan Propane for \$1.69 and AmeriGas for \$1.659.

RESOLUTION #122 - AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO CONTACT MAR-GAS FOR THE INITIAL FILL OF THE PROPANE TANK

On motion of Councilwoman Gage, seconded by Councilman Decker, the following resolution was ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVED to authorize supervisor to contact Mar-Gas for the initial fill of the propane tank and the no charge for the safety gas system check.

RESOLUTION #123 - AUTHORIZE PAYMENTS AS APPROVED BY THE CLERK OF THE WORKS AND PROJECT ARCHITECT

On motion of Councilman Decker, seconded by Councilwoman Nagengast, the following resolution was ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVED to authorize Supervisor Hammond to make the following November Building payments: Rotterdam General Contracting Corp., in the amount of \$51,794.00, MA Shafer Construction in the amount of \$67,165.65, Wainschaf Assoc., Inc. in the amount of \$24,652.69, Tri-Valley Plumbing & Heating, Inc. in the amount of \$12,677.75, Phoenix Electricians Company, Inc. in the amount of \$41,942.50

RESOLUTION #124 - AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO MAKE PAYMENT TO BRUCE BUNZEY (CLERK OF THE WORKS) FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,751.98

On motion of Councilwoman Gage, seconded by Councilman Viscio, the following resolution was ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVED that the Supervisor be authorized to make payment for services rendered by the Clerk of the Works for the month of October in the amount of \$4,751.98

RESOLUTION #125 -AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO MAKE PAYMENT OF \$2,050.00 TO

JOHN RAY FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE PROPANE TANK

On motion of Councilwoman Gage, seconded by Councilwoman Nagengast, the following resolution was ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVED to authorize Supervisor to make payment of \$2,050.00 to John Ray for the purchase of the propane tank.

Supervisor Hammond and board members reviewed a Freedom of Information Form (FOIL) sent by the Town of Guilderland and the Town of Westerlo.

RESOLUTION #126 -NEW FOIL REQUEST FORM APPROVED BY THE TOWN BOARD SHALL BE REQUIRED

On motion of Councilwoman Gage, seconded by Councilwoman Nagengast, the following resolution was ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVED, that the following Freedom of Information form shall be the official request form for the information sought from the Town of Knox pursuant to the Freedom of Information Law of the State of New York.

Highway Superintendent Salisbury reported that the new plow truck has been delivered.

RESOLUTION #127 - CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2010

On motion of Councilwoman Nagengast, seconded by Councilman Decker, the following resolution was ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVED to close public hearing on the preliminary budget for the fiscal year 2010.

RESOLUTION #128 - CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE SECTION 8 HUD HOUSING PROGRAM

On motion of Councilman Viscio, seconded by Councilwoman Gage, the following resolution was ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVED to close public hearing for the Section 8 HUD Housing Program.

RESOLUTION #129 - ADOPT THE PRELIMINARY BUDGET AS PRESENTED FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2010

On motion of Councilwoman Gage, seconded by Councilman Decker, the following resolution was ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVED to adopt the preliminary budget as presented for the fiscal year 2010.

Councilwoman Nagengast reported that 75 kids were in attendance for the Knox Turkey Shoot. The Youth Council is working on the Winterfest for this upcoming January. The Girl Scout Troop will be presenting to the Town Board a service project that the troop is interested in. The troop would like to hold a car wash to raise money for the maintenance to the playground equipment in the Town Park.

Highway Superintendent Salisbury reported that the 1996 International truck the Town is trying to sell, the highest bid he has received is \$8,900.00. The Town Board would like to hold off before selling the truck at such a low price.

On motion of Councilwoman Gage, seconded by Councilman Decker, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50p.m. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
November 15, 2008

Kimberly D. Swain