

**Town of Knox
Regular Meeting
May 13, 2008**

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

ALSO: Town Attorney Dorfman
Town Clerk Swain
Highway Superintendent Salisbury

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

RESOLUTION # 67 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

RESOLVED that the minutes of the April meeting be approved.

RESOLUTION # 68 - 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 Town Clerk and the Town Supervisor for the Month of April be approved.

RESOLUTION # 69 - PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

RESOLVED that the Bills be paid on General Abstract #05 of the General Fund, covering claims #136-160, 164 & 165 and of the Highway Fund, covering claims # 124-135, 161-163 for the year 2008.

Supervisor Hammond read Notice to Bidders regarding the bids for #2 Heating Fuel and Low Sulfur On-Road Diesel and Culvert Pipes. A total of two bids came in, one from Chemung Supply for the Culvert Pipe and one from Mountain View Oil Company. Supervisor Hammond opened bid from Chemung Supply, accompanied by a non-collusive bidding certificate and Mountain View Oil Company, accompanied by a non-collusive bidding certificate.

RESOLUTION #70 –ACCEPT BID FROM CHEMUNG SUPPLY FOR VARIOUS SIZE CULVERT PIPES

On motion of Councilman Viscio, seconded by Councilman Decker, the following

resolution was ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVED that the Town Board accepted the bid from Chemung Supply for culvert pipes starting 6/1/08 for one year.

Received and opened bid for On Road Diesel from Mountain View Oil, but did not take action until Highway Superintendent Salisbury could check prices offered on the State Contract and will report back at the June meeting.

RESOLUTION #71 – ACCEPT BID FROM MOUNTAIN VIEW OIL FOR #2 HEATING FUEL

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

RESOLVED that the Town Board accepted partial bid from Mountain View Oil for #2 Heating Fuel starting 6/1/08 for one year.

RESOLUTION #72 –AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO MAKE PAYMENT OF \$150.00 TO THE HELDERBERG KIWANIS FOR MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE

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

RESOLVED that the Town Supervisor make payment of \$150.00 to the Helderberg Kiwanis for the Town's contribution to the Memorial Day Observance.

RESOLUTION #73 – AUTHORIZE YOUTH COMMITTEE TO PURCHASE ICE CREAM AND SUPPLIES FOR MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE NOT TO EXCEED \$200.00

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

RESOLVED that the Town Board authorize the Youth Committee to purchase ice cream and supplies not to exceed \$200.00 for the Memorial Day Observance.

Town Board discussed the repairing of the roadways in the Knox Cemetery. Town Attorney Dorfman stated that the Town Law permits Towns to maintain cemetery's in the Town. Highway Superintendent stated that the Highway Department will fix the roads.

Louis Saddlemire, Superintendent of Parks, supplied the Town Board members with a price list and specifications for a new mower for the Town. His preferences are gasoline verses diesel, and a minimum of 30HP. The mower being replaced was purchased in 1986, which he would still like to keep.

RESOLUTION #74 –AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF A NEW exMARK LAZER Z XS, 35HP, 60in. DECK, BRIGGS VANGUARD ENGINE FOR \$9,200.00 FROM TURNPIKE POWER EQUIPMENT LLC.

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

RESOLVED that the Town Board authorize the purchase of a new exMARK Lazer XS mower for \$9,200.00 for Superintendent of Parks and Recreation.

Supervisor Hammond announced the resignation of Robert Simpson, member of the Zoning Board of Appeals. Mr. Simpson served on the ZBA for 27 years. Supervisor Hammond spoke with Sue Mason regarding the vacancy left by Earl Barcomb.

RESOLUTION #75 –APPOINT SUE MASON TO THE VACANCY LEFT BY EARL BARCOMB ON THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM, DECEMBER 31, 2013.

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

RESOLVED that the Town Board appoint Sue Mason to the Zoning Board of Appeals for the remainder of Earl Barcomb's term, December 31, 2013.

Supervisor Hammond announced the award of the \$5000.00 grant from Senator Breslin's office for the Town Hall renovation project. Supervisor Hammond also announced that Pat Shover from USDA inspected the area at the Town Hall, took pictures and told Supervisor Hammond that the Town should not have a problem getting a loan for the Town Hall Renovation Project.

Robert Price discussed the negotiations with ECS for the cell tower. The contract is being reviewed by Amsure, the Town's insurance carrier and by ECS's insurance carrier. Mr. Price stated that it could take a few month's for the insurance carriers to agree to the contract. ECS is in contact with Verizon, to be the main cellular carrier on the tower.

Highway Superintendent Salisbury discussed issues at the Transfer Station. The possible reconstruction of the retaining wall. Councilman Viscio and Salisbury to meet at the Transfer Station on Friday, May 16th to discuss possible modifications to the retaining wall to meet the expanding needs that are arising. Salisbury also announced that he needs to increase the amount that the town is charging for tire disposal. BCD Tire Chip MFG, the company that recycles the tires, has increased the prices on the tires. Salisbury would like to purchase a box container for the cardboard, the man power that is involved loading the cardboard is significant. The box container would decrease the amount of time tremendously.

Supervisor Hammond announced the speed limit reduction for Zimmer Road has been granted. Highway Superintendent Salisbury has ordered need speed limit signs for the road. The speed limit request for Route 156 near Thompson's Lake Road to the hamlet of Knox has been denied.

Town Clerk Swain addressed the board regarding the cleaning personnel. Swain requests that the cleaning of the Town Hall be done on a day when the Town Hall is not open for business, reason being the floor is still very wet and the extreme toxic odor of bleach. The possible injury that could occur if a person fell or allergy to bleach could be fatal, not to mention the liability on the Town. Supervisor Hammond responded that the odor is very strong and will have the cleaning personnel clean on a day when Town Hall is not open for business.

Enter into executive session at 9:16p.m.

With no decisions made, end executive session at 9:26p.m.

With no further business, on a motion of Councilman Decker, seconded by Councilman Viscio, the meeting was adjourned at 9:27p.m. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
May 20, 2008

Kimberly D. Swain