

May 8, 2012

**Town of Knox  
Regular Meeting**

**PRESENT:** Supervisor Hammond  
Councilwoman Pokorny  
Councilman Decker  
Councilman Barber  
Councilman Viscio

**ALSO:** Town Clerk Swain  
Highway Superintendent Salisbury  
Town Attorney Dorfman

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

Mary Ann Saddlemire from the Ladies Auxiliary will be sponsoring a town wide garage sale on Saturday, August 11, 2012 from 9:00am until 3:00pm. Rain or Shine. Refreshments will be sold at the Knox Fire House. Space will be available to any resident for \$10.00 on the lawn behind the fire house. Maps will be provided and available at the fire house. A \$10.00 fee will be collected if a resident would like to be on the map. No outside vendors.

Linda and Peter Novello from Thompson's Lake Road spoke to the council members regarding their situation with the water being drained from Whipple Road. Town Attorney Dorfman reported that the town has taken the necessary steps to obtain a permit to trap the beavers and try to eliminate the beavers to resolve this problem. The town will be in contact with the property owners. Mr. Novello reported that Mr. Chapman is in violation with town laws in the regard of dismantling of vehicles. Attorney Dorfman advises Mr. Novello to see Bob Delaney on Thursday evening and discuss these issues with him. Attorney Dorfman, Bob Delaney and Mr. Novello to meet on Thursday evening to discuss some of these issues.

Madeline Bradt asked the board if a newsletter could be sent to residents in the town regarding updates and to get information out to the residents. Supervisor Hammond reported that it was done at one time, but the amount of time and money it takes to do this. Not to say it couldn't happen again.

Charlotte Fuss asked if this information regarding the Hilltown Senior Center could be placed on the television. Town Clerk Swain responded that it absolutely could be placed on the Hilltown News Channel 17.

Attorney Dorfman reported after reviewing the requirements regarding the Albany County Multi Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan, he recommends that the board pass a resolution.

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**RESOLUTION # 59 - APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS**

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

RESOLVED that the Reports of the Supervisor and Town Clerk for the Month of April 2012 were approved.

Highway Superintendent Salisbury reported that he is almost done with FEMA, except for Line Road, which is considered a large project. Line Road should be covered in full, will have more information next month. FEMA will determine what and how much the project will cost. Final stage of paperwork, the money should start coming to the town. The creek on Hill and Dale Road, DEC denied fixing.

Highway Superintendent Salisbury was approached by several residents on Ketchum Road, to sign a petition regarding the request for a speed limit reduction. Current speed limit is 55mph. But with the Food Bank, Nature Center and other farms on that road, it is a safety issue. The residents would like the board to consider reducing the speed on the whole road.

**RESOLUTION # 60 - REQUEST STUDY IN LOWERING SPEED LIMIT TO 30MPH ON KETCHAM ROAD**

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

RESOLVED to request study in lowering the speed limit to 30mph on Ketchum Road from Thompson's Lake Road to Thacher Park Road.

Councilman Barber reported on letter received from the Altamont Library. June 2 from 6pm to 8pm will be the Grand Opening Celebration, at the Train Station. Family Open House will be June 3 from 2pm - 5pm.

The Berne Library sent letters to the board members requesting to meet and discuss increasing funds for 2013 budget.

**RESOLUTION # 61 - PAYMENT OF BILLS**

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

RESOLVED that the Bills be paid on General Abstract #005 of the General Fund, covering claims # 112-130 and of the Highway Fund, covering claims # 102-111 & 131 for the year 2012.

**RESOLUTION #62 - ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF UNION NEGOTIATIONS**

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

RESOLVED to enter into executive session.