

**Town of Knox
Regular Meeting
August 13, 2013**

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

ALSO: Town Clerk Swain
Highway Superintendent Salisbury
Town Attorney Dorfman

The meeting was called to order at 7:43 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

RESOLUTION # 75 – AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF \$8,670.00 TO LOUCK’S BROTHERS AS CONTRACTED PRICE FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE ROOF ON THE KNOX MUSUEM

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

RESOLVED to authorize the payment of \$8,670.00 to Louck’s Brothers for the replacement of the roof.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Supervisor of the Town of Knox is hereby authorized

To:

1. Pay the principal sum of \$ 80,000.00 and interest in the amount of \$11,199.73 through and including September 6, 2013 to Key Bank pursuant to the Bond anticipatory note executed by the Town of Knox on September 7, 2012.
2. Execute a one year extension of the Bond Anticipatory Note on the remaining principal amount owned to Key Bank after payment of the principal amount of \$80,000.00 at an annual interest rate not to exceed 3 per cent per annum. Said amount owed after said payments is \$ 719,981.00.
3. Authorize the Town Attorney to execute an opinion of Counsel directed to Key Bank setting forth the compliance by the Town of Knox of all statutory requirements for the renewal of said Bond Anticipation Note.
4. Renew a certain Bond Anticipation Note with Key Bank in the amount of \$ 719,981.00 at an interest rate not to exceed 3 per cent for a period of one year commencing September 6, 2013.

RESOLUTION # 76 – AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO RENEW BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE

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

RESOLVED to authorize the supervisor to renew Bond Anticipation Note.

Robert Price addressed the board with two (2) draft Notices of Public Hearing for the purpose of changes to the Zoning Ordinance.

The first draft public hearing notice pertains to Senior Housing. A few proposals have been

presented to the Planning Board for the possibility of building senior housing. The changes to the Zoning Ordinance would be to add Senior Housing to Article II – Definitions. Create new land use table for senior housing.

The second draft public hearing notice is to create a business district in the hamlet. This area would include the house on the corner of Route 156 and Knox Cave Road, the old Knox Country Store, the Post Office building and the next five parcels after that. The zoning ordinance requires a 100' buffer between business and residential district boundary lines. The Planning Board decided not to change this, and let the planning and town boards modify the regulations depending on the circumstance.

The hamlet is not defined, as to how far the hamlet actually is. Councilman Decker asked to extend the business district to Knox Gallupville Road. Property on the west end of the hamlet has been vacant for years and could possibly benefit from the commercial zoning.

Councilwoman Pokorny asked if there would be any protection for the homes between the old gas station and the store, for historical purposes.

Councilman Viscio stated this is a good step forward and down the road, the town could create business district two, three or four.

Robert Price stated that he doesn't foresee a store surviving here in the town, there are a few competing businesses in Altamont and in Berne, and the residents here would pay a premium.

Supervisor Hammond recommends the board set a date for the purpose of holding a public hearing.

Councilwoman Pokorny stated she's ready to move forward with the public hearing for senior housing but with the business district, she'd like to have more thought.

RESOLUTION # 77 – ADVERTISE FOR THE PUBLIC HEARINGS TO CHANGE THE ZONING ORDINANCE WITH REGARDS TO SENIOR HOUSING AND CREATING A BUSINESS DISTRICT IN THE HAMLET ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2013

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

RESOLVED to advertise to hold public hearings to change the Zoning Ordinance with regards to the Senior Housing on September 17, 2013 at 7p.m and the Business District at 8p.m.

Chasity McGivern asked if Councilwoman Pokorny has contacted any schools for the use of interns to conduct the Town of Knox Survey with regards to the Comprehensive Plan. No she hasn't.

Pam Fenoff asked if the surveys have been mailed and how many responses has the town received. No surveys have been mailed and received about 40.

Highway Superintendent Salisbury reported that Dutch Settlement Road is not complete; this is a shared road with the Town of Berne. Waiting for an agreement with the Town of Berne before work is done. Has not received approval from New York State DEC for Hill & Dale Road.

The town board glad to see the shed from St. Pauly Textile being used. Highway Superintendent

Salisbury reported that they have come and picked up all donations, once a week. The Salvation Army bin is overflowing and not making an effort to pick up from the collection bin. Suggested that the board contact the Salvation Army to come pick up their collection bins.

Councilman Viscio reported on the status of the United States Postal Service. Currently the postal service is undergoing a “post plan” across the country, reducing services all over. The postal service has offered to install post office boxes in front of the Town Hall, which would include a drop off box and a parcel pick up box. The postal service will send a survey to Knox residents who currently have a post office box for input on the town needs. Which may include a village post office, which a village post office is associated with a separate entity like a general store, but limited services?

Supervisor Hammond was contacted by Nancy Scanlon, President of the Knox Historical Society. She stated that the shrubs around the museum need trimming. Supervisor Hammond requested help from Highway Superintendent Salisbury and the highway crew.

Councilwoman Pokorny reported that on Tuesday, August 20, 2013 will hold a workshop for the purpose of reviewing the responses from the town survey, regarding the comprehensive plan.

Michael Vincent, a planning board member from the Town of Berne applauds the town board for moving forward with the changes to allow senior housing and the business district.

Vincent Virano addressed the board regarding issues with his neighbor. Town Attorney Dorfman suggested that Mr. Virano speak with his attorney. This board cannot advise you. Your attorney can contact me, Dorfman suggested.

RESOLUTION # 78 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

RESOLVED that the minutes of the July 2013 meeting be approved.

RESOLUTION # 79 - APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS

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

RESOLVED that the Reports of the Supervisor and Town Clerk for the Month of July 2013 be approved.

RESOLUTION # 80 - PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

RESOLVED that the Bills be paid on General Abstract #008 of the General Fund, covering claims # 197 - 217 and of the Highway Fund, covering claims # 184 - 196 for the year 2013.

RESOLUTION # 81 – AUTHORIZE TOWN CLERK TO DESTROY OLD RECEIPT RECORDS FROM TRANSFER STATION AND NYSDEC

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

RESOLVED to authorize the town clerk to destroy receipts from Transfer Station 1990-

1999 and 2000-2006 and New York State Department of Environmental Conservation receipts from 2003-2005.

On motion of Councilman Barber, seconded by Councilwoman Pokorny, the meeting was adjourned at 9:12p.m. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
August 26, 2013

Kimberly D. Swain