

**Town of Knox
Regular Meeting
September 14, 2010**

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

ALSO: Highway Superintendent Salisbury
Town Clerk Swain

ABSENT: Town Attorney Dorfman

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

RESOLUTION #96 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Councilman Viscio, seconded by Councilwoman Gage, the following resolution was ADOPTED AYES 4 NAYS 0 *(Councilwoman Nagengast abstained from voting, as she was not at the August meeting.)*

RESOLVED that the minutes of the August 10, 2010 meeting be approved.

RESOLUTION #97 - 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 August 2010 be approved.

RESOLUTION #98 - PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

RESOLVED that the Bills be paid on General Abstract #009 of the General Fund, covering claims #274-296 and of the Highway Fund, covering claims #257-273 & 297&298 for the year 2010.

Supervisor Hammond suggested setting a date of October 12th for a representative from Joseph E. Mastrianni, Inc. for HUD Section Eight program. The board is interested in having a representative come to the meeting. Supervisor Hammond will contact them with the October 12th date.

The 2011 Budget Workshop dates have been set for September 28th and October 5th, 2010 at 7:00p.m.. Town Clerk to advertise legal notice in the Altamont Enterprise for the 2011 budget workshops.

Supervisor Hammond announced the Town has received \$1,218.00 return of Capital from NYMIR program. The money has been deposited.

RESOLUTION #99 - APPROVE DISTRIBUTION OF SNOWMOBILE GRANT FUNDS OF \$1,228.20 TO FRONTIER SNO RIDERS AND \$171.80 MIDDLEBERG RIDGE RUNNERS

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

RESOLVED to authorize payment of snowmobile grant funds of \$1,228.20 to Frontier Snow Riders and \$171.80 to Middleberg Ridge Runners Snowmobile Clubs.

Supervisor Hammond discussed with the board the request for the Town to construct a parking lot for the Land Conservancy at a new site on Street Road. The board agreed that the concept is not an issue, but the

town cannot assist with the construction of anything on privately owned property. If something affects the Towns "right of way" then help can be offered.

RESOLUTION #100 - APPROVE CONTRACTOR'S SUBMITTAL FOR PAYMENT TO M.A. SHAFER CONSTRUCTION FOR \$6,001.50 FOR ROOFING AND TO M.A. SHAFER CONSTRUCTION FOR \$6,749.50 FOR FRAMING

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

RESOLVED to approve M.A. Shafer submittal for \$6,001.50 and M.A. Shafer Construction submittal for \$6,749.50.

Supervisor Hammond read letter from Local 106 Operating Engineers Union regarding the negotiations. The town attorney will be requested to arrange a meeting date.

Supervisor Hammond announced the plumbing and electrical had completed their work and had their closeouts with the architect's engineers.

Supervisor Hammond has been applying for grants for the Town Hall Project, and has successfully secured a \$125,000.00 in grants. This will offset the cost for the roof and parking lot. He is also trying to secure another grant for the elevator and generator.

Supervisor Hammond asked Town Clerk Swain the progress with K. Sickler/Murphy, regarding the database for the Records Management Grant. Town Clerk Swain has been in contact via e-mail and reported a few set backs that they have been dealing with. Database should be complete within a few weeks.

RESOLUTION #101 - AUTHORIZE PAYMENT TO SEATING INC. FOR \$3,528.00 FOR THE CHAIRS IN THE BOARD ROOM

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

RESOLVED to authorize payment to Seating Inc. for the board room chairs.

Supervisor Hammond reported he received an e-mail from Mr. Price regarding a draft copy of a notice of public hearing that he would like published on the town's website. Supervisor Hammond would like Town Attorney Dorfman to review before posting it on the website. The remaining board members would also like to review before posting on the website also. Town Clerk to make copies for all board members.

October 21, 2010 at 7:00pm will be the date of the next workshop to discuss Shared Driveways and one cut rule. Town Clerk will advertise in the Altamont Enterprise for this workshop.

Architect Charlie Sacco reported on the status of the Town Hall. Wainschaf is in the process of completing punch list, M.A. Shafer Construction, the foundation is outstanding, holding retainer until issue is resolved. Rotterdam General Contracting, holding half retainer, until seeding improves. Councilman Stevens would like to have Charlie give the contractors deadlines.

Andy Freihofer reported that the Zoning Board of Appeals is holding a public hearing for Amy and Russ Pokorny regarding an extension of the current variance for a MET Tower. Haven't they received enough data over the course of four years, Freihofer stated. Supervisor Hammond reported that the Town has no information on the data. Mr. Price suggested he speak with the Pokorny's or contact Sustainable Energy. Mr. Freihofer stated that he attended a meeting where Amy Pokorny said they would not ask for another extension.

Ron Jordan reported that the Town of Berne found a company to take newspapers for \$25.00 a ton and Green Fibers will supply the container. Highway Superintendent Salisbury reported when he contacted Green Fibers, they were only working with the school districts. Mr. Jordan stated he saw the movie "Gas Lands", and he is currently looking for a venue to view movie locally. He stated that the Wind Ban has passed in Rensselaerville.

Highway Superintendent Salisbury reported that the paving schedule keeps falling back a week, hopefully next week they will start. He is waiting for County Bridge and Rail, for the guard rail for Old Stage Road. Currently working on a drainage issue on Lewis Road.

Councilwoman Gage reported to the board, Joanne Lansing of Zimmer Road is an Official OASAS Screener and she would like approval to hold a counseling center here at the Town Hall. Supervisor Hammond would like Town Attorney Dorfman to review letter and counsel the town board.

On motion of Councilman Stevens, seconded by Councilwoman Gage, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
September 21, 2010

Kimberly D. Swain