

**June 9, 2008**

**Alexander Town Board Regular Meeting  
Alexander Town Hall 7:00 p.m.**

Present: Supervisor Ruth Hulshoff  
Town Board: William Franz, Emma Jean Grant,  
H' way Supt: Thomas Lowe  
Town Clerk: Laura Schmieder  
Absent: William Hirsch, William Schmieder  
Also Present: Dan Hale-Shepard, Maxwell, Hale; David DiMatteo-Town Attorney; Darleen and Tony  
Capwell-landowners

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Hulshoff. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence for our servicemen and women.

On motion by Councilperson Franz, seconded by Councilperson Grant, and carried, to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2008 regular meeting with the following correction under "Salt Barn Update: A letter has been received from Mary Lou Rath informing the Town that she has obtained a \$120,000 line-item appropriation through NYS towards the costs of a salt storage shed." 3 – Yes Hulshoff, Grant, Franz  
0 – No Motion carried

Mr. Capwell spoke to the Board regarding his property on Sprague Road and the fact that the Highway Department took down the hedgerow and fence by the road edge. He feels the Town shouldn't have done this and brought pictures to show the Board members. Tom Lowe, Highway Superintendent, answered that his men were working within the right of way, and cited Highway Law that governs the removal of brush, etc. After discussion, it was decided that the Highway Department will clean up the railroad ties and boulders still within the right of way. Councilperson Franz will talk to Mr. Capwell to convey this decision.

Dan Hale, from Shepard Maxwell and Hale Insurance Company was present to discuss our insurance needs and requirements for the coming year. Their company uses 4 different carriers that deal with municipalities which leaves some room for negotiation. Our price came in this year a little lower than last year's amount. He is going to send us information on the LENS program. He stated that anyone using the Town Hall or working for the Town should present us with a Certificate of Liability in an amount of \$1,000,000 and naming the Town of Alexander as additional insured. He thanked Ruth for her hard work in preparing information for him.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Monthly franchise letter from Time Warner; Wegman's LPGA tournament in Rochester is 6/16-22/08; GAM minutes-5/15/08; copy of the RFP for Ambulance Contract forwarded to us from GAM; County Legislature agendas and Chamber of Commerce newsletter.

**REPORTS:**

**Building:** Charlie Brown finished installing and painting the new front door; have yet to receive an estimate for repairs to the cupola and roof; air conditioning turned on at the Hall today;

**Supervisor Financial:** received check for Mortgage tax-down from last year; also received County Snow and Ice check; monthly financial report reviewed

Monthly financial reports from the Town Justices and Town Clerk were read and filed.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Salt Barn Update:** A survey of the Bernard Schmieder land was prepared, need to talk to the County/State for right of way at Route 20; as progress is made, information will be given to nearby homeowners; as a new site has been selected-we need to do a SEQR Resolution for the facility

**RES. NO. 26: SEQR RESOLUTION FOR SALT STORAGE FACILITY**

At this meeting of the Alexander Town Board held on June 9, 2008, Councilperson Franz moved adoption of the following resolution; Councilperson Grant seconded the motion and was passed.

**"RESOLVED,** that in accordance with the New York State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) regulations, the Town Board of the Town of Alexander hereby announces its intent to serve as lead agency to conduct an environmental review of a project to construct a salt storage facility to replace the current uncovered pile of salt and sand de-icing materials. The salt storage building will be located on Broadway Road (NYS Route 20) in the northwest portion of the Village of Alexander. The Town originally proposed a site at the Town's Highway Department complex, north of Telephone Road and east of Tonawanda Creek in the Village of Alexander. However, this site was located in the floodplain, and the construction actions needed to raise the building above flood level proved to be too costly.

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Town Board has determined that the proposed action is an "Unlisted Action" as defined under SEQR. In accordance with the recommendation of the funding agency, a coordinated review will be performed for the project; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Town Board, in its capacity of lead agency, has caused to be prepared an environmental assessment of the significance of potential environmental impact of the above action. The Town Board hereby accepts the environmental assessment of the proposed project prepared by Stuart I. Brown Associates, Inc. The Town Board further declares that, based on the environmental assessment which has been prepared, the project will not cause significant damage to the environment. Therefore, the Town Board does not anticipate the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement for the project. Further, the Town Board herewith states its intent to issue a Negative Declaration under SEQR for the project, pending review by Involved Agencies." 3 – Yes Hulshoff, Grant, Franz 0 – No Motion carried

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**RES. NO. 27: AMENDMENT OF GRANT ADMINISTRATION SERVICES**

On motion by Councilperson Grant, seconded by Councilperson Franz, and carried, to authorize the Supervisor to sign the amended agreement with Stuart I. Brown Associates, Inc. for grant administration services. The fee will increase from \$4,000 to \$6,000 with payments to be made according to Schedule A of the Agreement. 3 – Yes Hulshoff, Grant, Franz 0 – No Motion carried

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**RES. NO. 28: AMENDMENT TO STATE SNOW AND ICE AGREEMENT**

On motion by Councilperson Franz, seconded by Councilperson Grant, and carried, to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Amendment to revise the estimated expenditure for the NYS Snow and Ice Agreement, contract # D009589 for the 2009/10 contract. 3 – Yes Hulshoff, Grant, Franz 0 – No Motion carried

On motion by Councilperson Franz, seconded by Councilperson Grant, and carried, to pay the bills on Abstract #6, with the exception of voucher #28 in the General B Fund, as follows:

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| General Fund A | Vouchers 101 – 127      | \$ 11,725.61 |
| General Fund B | Vouchers 24 - 30 (-#28) | 25,728.63    |
| Highway Fund A | Vouchers 6 - 7          | 4,651.59     |
| Highway Fund B | Vouchers 113- 135       | 21,726.13    |

On motion by Councilperson Grant, seconded by Councilperson Franz, and carried, the meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Schmieder  
Town Clerk

Planning Board: 6/23/08  
Town Board: 7/14/08