

July 13, 2009

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

Present: Supervisor Ruth Hulshoff
Town Board: William Franz, Emma Jean Grant, William Schmieder
Town Clerk: Laura Schmieder
Absent: Thomas Lowe, William Hirsch
Guests: Frank and Barb Dyrbala; Lisa Haller; Stephen Ferry; Esther Leadley

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, the minutes of the June 8, 2009 regular meeting, and June 23, 2009 special meeting were accepted as presented.
4 – Yes Hulshoff, Grant, Franz, Schmieder 0 – No Motion carried

COMMUNICATIONS: Time Warner monthly franchise letter; Certificate of Liability Insurance from Chatfield Engineers; Genesee County Mega Blood Drive announcement; Genesee County Legislature agendas; Western Region Public Health Alliance; Announcement of Motivational Business Seminar; the Holland Land Office newsletter; Letchworth State Park newsletter;

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dyrbala were asked to come to the meeting tonight so the Town Board could express their appreciation to Frank for his many years of service to the Town. Frank began his tenure as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals in 1972. He moved to the Assessor's office in 1976, and continued there until June 30th of this year. He is leaving his position after 37 years of dedicated service to the residents of Alexander.

REPORTS:

CEO/ZEO: Karl Bender reported that he has issued 22 permits so far this year, down from previous years. He also discussed with the Board another letter of complaint he has received from a resident and his reply to that letter. He is also requesting the use of the former assessor's computer for his Town work and that he be authorized to purchase a printer.

Insurance: The Town was served papers in regard to a legal suit brought against it. The Supervisor will keep the Board informed of the progress of this case.

Highway Supt: (written report read by the Supervisor and filed in the Town Clerk's office)

a) Day Road continues to cure prior to chip sealing; b) Pike Road shoulders done soon, changing multiple cross pipes also; c) Old Creek and Cookson Roads graded in June; d) Patching on Peaviner, West Bethany, Gilhooly Roads and others; e) Roadside mowing completed, starting second pass soon; f) New truck is working well, other vehicles need some work; g) provided pricing for new grader; h) employee situation

Town Clerk: a) both indoor flags have been received and are placed; b) the air conditioning was turned on the end of June; c) Paul McCullough was here to complete wiring changes required by the Justice Court and to transfer data from the old to the new Clerk computer; d) Julie from the WNY Alzheimer's Assoc. was here on July 6th to meet with any Town residents;

Building Committee: Six letters of interest were received in response to the advertising for work at the Town Hall: Front Steps-it was determined by the Board to re-point and seal the front steps and to add hand railings at this time. A local contractor will be contacted for this work. Roof: Councilperson Franz will contact a local contractor, the companies who submitted letters and the Building Committee to take the next steps.

Youth: The Summer Rec program is sponsoring the Alexander Firemen's Band to play on 7/15 on the front lawn of the Town Hall.

Senior Citizen: The group is going on a Mystery Trip tomorrow morning.

Dog Control: One quarter of the Town has been completed with one quarter left to be done this summer.

GAM: Minutes of the June 18th meeting were distributed and filed. The next meeting will be 9/17/09.

OLD BUSINESS:

Salt Barn Update: The Town Engineer has responded to a letter received by the Town from the Army Corps of Engineers. We should hear back in 7 – 10 days.

Union Update: The 180 day letter was received by the Town from the Union. Negotiations on the current contract will begin soon.

Ambulance Service Update: Mercy EMS is holding a meeting on July 14th. A copy of the proposed contract was distributed to the Board.

Surplus Items: The Clerk was directed to place an ad to receive bids on the items declared surplus. The bid opening will be at the August 10th meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

RES. NO. 33: COMPUTER TO CEO/ZEO

On motion by Councilperson Franz, seconded by Councilperson Schmieder, and carried, to authorize the CEO/ZEO Karl Bender to use the former assessor's computer for his Town work and to purchase a compatible printer. 4 – Yes Hulshoff, Grant, Schmieder, Franz 0 – No Motion carried

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RES. NO. 34: 2009/2010 NYS SNOW & ICE CONTRACT EXTENSION-AMENDMENT B

On resolution by Councilperson Franz, seconded by Councilperson Grant, and carried, the Board authorizes the Supervisor to sign Amendment B to the 2009/2010 Snow and Ice Contract Extension, and that this amendment is for the 2008/2009 winter season. 4 – Yes Hulshoff, Grant, Schmieder, Franz 0 – No Motion carried

Stephen Ferry, Darien Town Councilman, was here to discuss the progress of the Route 20 water project that could include the Town and Village of Alexander. He will be attending a Water Committee meeting at the County soon. He feels that the last round of stimulus money will only be available until 2010 and that the Town of Alexander should contact their Town Engineer soon to begin the process if they are going to proceed with gathering information. Income surveys need to be sent out, etc. In regard to the petition that was presented to the Board at the last meeting, the Town Engineer should also be contacted to begin this study. These two areas will be treated as two separate projects.

RES. NO. 35: ROUTE 20 AND ROUTE 98 WATER PROJECTS

On motion by Councilperson Franz, seconded by Councilperson Schmieder, and carried, the Town Board agreed to contact the Town Engineer to gather information on these two separate water districts for further study to proceed with the development of these water districts. 4 – Yes Hulshoff, Grant, Schmieder, Franz 0 – No Motion carried

Esther Leadley, County Legislator representing Alexander, reported that the County had received news of a slight increase in sales tax revenue for this quarter. This is good news in light of the poor economy.

On motion by Councilperson Franz, seconded by Councilperson Grant, and carried, to pay the bills on Abstract #7 as follows:

General Fund A	Vouchers 138 - 168	\$ 9,672.60
General Fund B	Vouchers 36 - 46	6,098.92
Highway Fund A	Vouchers 8 - 9	71,600.01
Highway Fund B	Vouchers 117 - 142	216,483.83
Highway Fund H	Voucher 7	72.00

On motion by Councilperson Grant, seconded by Councilperson Schmieder, and carried, the meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Schmieder
Town Clerk