

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

October 14, 2010

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Alfred was held at 6:45 pm Thursday, October 10, 2010 and opened with a motion by Tom Mansfield, seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0 to go into Executive Session to discuss Union Negotiations. Executive Session ended at 7:25 pm with a motion by Jerry Snyder seconded by Donn Lang and carried 5-0. Board members present were Tom Mansfield, Jerry Snyder, Mary Stearns, Donn Lang, and Fion MacCrea. Also present were Dog Control Officer George Ormsby, Jamie Mansfield and Janice Burdick.

Dog Control Officer – George Ormsby reported that he talked to the Hornell SPCA to see if they will take dogs instead of euthanizing them. They said they could take up to 10 dogs per year at a cost of \$50 per dog. Waiting for further information and something in writing. Mr. Ormsby stated that he has had about 4 dogs so far and has found the owners for all of them.

Police Report – Reviewed the written report.

Approval of Minutes – The minutes of September 9, 2010 were approved with a motion by Donn Lang, seconded by Fion MacCrea and carried 5-0.

Monthly Report – The monthly report was reviewed. Received State Aide – more than what was budgeted.

Correspondence

- Dan Burling – CHIPS funding for 2011 about \$133.00 more than 2010.
- NYS Retirement – estimate for 2011 and 2012. Will be going up significantly.
- Village of Alfred – requesting payment of \$36/month for additional phone line for Court for fax machine.
- NYS Office of Real Property - 1.1% decrease in state aid for reval. Program.
- Letter from Concerned Citizens regarding Fracking.

General Abstract #10-2010 – Vouchers #105-112 in the amount of \$12548.94 were approved with a motion by Donn Lang seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0 except for Voucher #110 to the Village of Almond. This voucher is for the Town's share of Steve Kilmer's cell phone bill which was \$576.74. It was noted that there was a lot of texting and the Board wanted to address this issue with Mr. Kilmer at the next meeting. Tom Mansfield reported that he came in prior to the meeting and looked over all vouchers and initialed them.

Highway Abstract #10-2010 – Vouchers #137--153 in the amount of \$46764.50 were approved with a motion by Donn Lang seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0.

Highway Report –

Reviewed written report.

- The Excavator arrived on Monday after the last meeting. Have used every day except for one due to rain.
- Changed oil and filters on all trucks.
- Putting up snow fence and getting plows and sanders ready.
- Submitted seasonal road list.
- County painted and cleaned East Valley Bridge – we only have to pay for materials.
- Tires for Truck – Received two quotes – Hess and All Season are the same - \$3000 for all 4 which includes mounting front tires. A motion was made by Fion MacCrea to buy from lowest quote, seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0.

Supervisor's Report: Supervisor Mansfield reported that he met with Chuck Jessup and measured the building. Designed a floor plan for an addition that would include a larger meeting room to accommodate voting and adding onto the front of the garage and new insulated doors. Estimate was \$265,000. It was noted that District 2 has 67% more voters than District 1 over a 5 year average. Received a letter back from

Senator Cathy Young stating there is no money right now but will keep the request in her file. Jerry Snyder stated that it is a good idea but a lot on money and more maintenance. Would like to talk to the Board of Elections. Also suggested putting something in the paper letting people know the Town is considering plans for an addition due to voting and are the people in favor of this,

Town Clerk- Presented Local Law #2 - Dog Licensing in the Town of Alfred for the Boards review.

Committee – Planning Board submitted the new proposed Windmill Law. Donn Lang felt it had too much from the Commercial Wind Farm Law in regards to noise and some other issues. Donn Lang and Fion MacCrea will do some additional research and put something together for the Planning Board to look over. A motion was made by Donn Lang to table the proposed law presented to the Board, seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0.

- Mary Stearns attended the last Planning Board meeting.
- Jerry Snyder attended the Village Board meeting. Topics of discussion included trees, student issues and housing. Village received a \$325,000 Main Street Grant. An Advisory Board is being set up to determine how the money will be used.

Financial Committee – September 2010 bank statements were reviewed. A motion to approve the bank statements was made by Donn Lang seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0.

New Business

- 2011 Budget workshop was scheduled for October 26, 2010 at 6:30 pm with the Public Hearing November 11, 2010 at 7:00 pm.

A motion to adjourn 9:30 pm was made by Donn Lang seconded by Mary Stearns and carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janice L. Burdick
Town Clerk