

THE TOWN OF CHENANGO TOWN BOARD MET MONDAY, MARCH 7, 2011, AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE TOWN OFFICE BUILDING, 1529 N.,Y. ROUTE 12, BINGHAMTON, N.Y.

PRESENT: Harold Snopek, Supervisor
Russ Hemedinger, Councilperson
Gene Hulbert, Councilperson
Terry Kellogg, Councilperson

ALSO PRESENT: Donald G. Walls, Town Attorney
Lizanne Korinek, Deputy Town Clerk
Mike Kwartler, Highway Superintendent

ABSENT: Rhonda Pudiak, Councilperson
Rhonda D. Milks, Town Clerk

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Mr. Snopek requested that all present stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Hemedinger moved, seconded by Mr. Hulbert, that the minutes of the previous meeting be approved as prepared and presented. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION FILLING VACANCY: (Terry Kellogg, appointed to fill vacancy on Town Board) was offered by Mr. Hemedinger, seconded by Mr. Hulbert, and carried by the following roll call: 3 ayes, no nays, absent one.

Mr. Kellogg signed the Oath of Office and Mr. Walls notarized this and Mr. Kellogg is officially a member of the Town of Chenango Town Board.

BID OPENINGS: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

OPEN HEARING

Mr. Snopek requested that those wishing to be heard should give their name and address and limit their remarks to five minutes.

Dave Johnson, Brooks Road, wished to commend the Town of Chenango Highway Department on the great job they do with the Town roads, especially today with the excessive snow storm we had.. They do a great job with snow removal.

As no one else wished to be heard, the open hearing was declared closed.

COMMUNICATIONS: Lizanne Korinek, Deputy Town Clerk

The Town Clerk's office received notification from the Chenango Bridge Red & White Grocery, Inc., that they are applying to renew their license to sell alcohol.

On February 22, 2011, the Town Clerk's office received notice from Merriam Accounting Service that they had completed the audit for Chenango Fire Company.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Hemedinger - For the Planning and Zoning committee, at the February meeting Jesse McHale, 23 Trafford Road, application for an area variance to construct a three season room with less than required side yard setback from 10' to 8'.

Price Chopper, Fred A. Early-Signworks Neon Corp, 33 Chenango Bridge Road, application for a use variance to allow a second pylon sign.

There was one advisory opinion/referral for Planning Board, Barry Arnold, 697 Brotzman Road, application for an area variance to subdivide a lot with less than required road frontage from 240' to 227.91'.

Mr. Hulbert - The Highway Department performed the following operations during the month of February 2011:

Snow removal operations totaled 15 times during February. The area received a total of 30.7" of snow for the month.

Our residents are reminded that if they need material for their personal use they can contact the Highway Department with their name and address. They can get a couple of small buckets of the salt/sand mixture that is located at the lot in Castle Creek.

The last of the Christmas trees were picked up on 2/5/11.

Mailbox repairs were done on Bel Air Dr., Brotzman Rd., Daniel Dr., East Hill Rd., Hoffman Dr., Lake Ave., and Treadwell Rd. The Highway Department will repair damaged mailboxes if they are damaged as a result of plowing on a town road. County and state roads do not fall under our jurisdiction.

The Highway Department hauled wood chips from the Sewer Department to the landfill.

The Highway Department cold-patched potholes on 5 separate occasions.

Tree removal was performed at the following locations: Dimmock Hill Road, Dorman Road, Willis Road, and Wilson Hill Road. Trees were trimmed on Grant Road, Highover, Kelly Road, Marion Terrace, Matthew Drive, Oak Hill Road and Palmer Road.

Guardrail repairs were made on Poplar Hill Road.

Ditch cleaning was done on 2/28/11. This ditch cleaning was to remove snow, slush and clogged debris from the ditch lines so that storm water runoff could flow freely.

Residents are reminded that if they have lawn damage to call the Highway Department and have their name put on the spring repair list. They can also do the same if their driveways are damaged due to plowing. This applies to town roads only.

All full-time Highway employees participated in the mandatory training for Workplace Violence, Harassment and the DOT Drug and Alcohol policies. The training was done individually on an online basis.

Mr. Hulbert said that his job allowed him to visit other municipalities in the County and of the four municipalities he visited there were no roads that could compare to the Town of Chenango as far as snow removal.

Mr. Snopek - Mr. Snopek feels that things are going smoothly on the second floor. He put in a phone call to a gentleman in the Albany area who wanted to host a regional training event for the Association of Towns in our community room. He has not called him back, but hopefully we can do that to get a little more training for our Town.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ATTENDANCE AT 2011 FIRE SEMINAR (Michael Pecha,

Code Enforcement Officer) was offered by Mr. Hemedinger, seconded by Mr. Hulbert, and carried by the following roll call: 4 ayes, no nays, absent one.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ATTENDANCE AT STBOA SEMINAR (Southern Tier Building Officials Association, Thomas Geisenhof and Michael Pecha,) was offered by Mr. Kellogg, seconded by Mr. Hulbert, and carried by the following roll call: 4 ayes, no nays, absent one.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ATTENDANCE AT N.Y.S. BUILDING CODE SEMINAR (Michael Pecha), was offered by Mr. Hulbert, seconded by Mr. Hemedinger, and carried by the following roll call: 4 ayes, no nays, absent one.

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING STANDARD WORK DAYS FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS was offered by Mr. Hemedinger, seconded by Mr. Kellogg, and carried by the following roll call: 4 ayes, no nays, absent one.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

Being that there was no further business to discuss, Mr. Hemedinger moved, seconded by Mr. Kellogg, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:15. p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Rhonda D. Milks, Town Clerk
Town of Chenango