

THE TOWN OF CHENANGO TOWN BOARD MET MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 2011, AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE TOWN OFFICE BUILDING, 1529 N.Y. ROUTE 12, BINGHAMTON, N.Y.

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

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

ABSENT: 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 Mrs. Pudiak, that the minutes of the previous meeting be approved as prepared and presented. Motion carried.

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.

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

COMMUNICATIONS: Lizanne Tiesi Korinek, Deputy Town Clerk

We have two candidates for membership in the Chenango Bridge Fire Company, Matthew D. Lewis and Erik Rhinehart.

Mr. Hemedinger moved, seconded by Mrs. Pudiak, to accept these two candidates into membership in the Chenango Bridge Fire Company. All in favor and the motion was carried.

We have a candidate for membership in the Chenango Fire Company, James Episale.

Mr. Hulbert moved, seconded by Mr. Kellogg, that this candidate be accepted into membership in the Chenango Fire Company. All in favor and the motion was carried.

We received two notifications of application to the N.Y.S. Liquor Authority for the renewal of their Liquor licenses, The Buffalo Inn, 700 Castle Creek Road, and The Spot Restaurant, 1062 Front Street.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Hemedinger - The Zoning Board of Appeals met last week and there were several public hearings:

- 1) First Methodist Church, 740 River Road, Chenango Bridge, application to amend the use variance from the stipulated time for the led message board sign in a residential area.
- 2) Douglas Heath, 31 Daniel Drive, application for a double area variance.
- 3) Christopher & Tracie Smith, 440 Dunham Hill Road, application for multiple area variance

to construct a detached garage.

- 4) Christopher Pelto, 1330 Upper Front Street, application for interpretation of non conforming uses and possible multiple area variances.
- 5) Michael Lumsden, 273 East Hill Road, application for an area variance to place an accessory building in front of the principle use.

Mrs. Pudiak - The safety committee will meet this Thursday at 10:00 a.m. in the Town Board Room. We will be discussing the training for right-to-know personal protective equipment and hearing conservation that will be held on August 11th.

Also, on August 18th, the American Heart Association will be training approximately 10 of our employees in the use of the AED and CPR for adults and children.

We will also discuss good house keeping practices and the departments will be asked to assess their own department using a safety check list found in the town's safety manual. During the inspection some of the things they will be looking for are improper storage of hazardous materials, holes in floors, inappropriate or inaccessible first aid supplies, fire extinguishers, lighting alarms. This assessment reminds each department to be aware of these types of things and fix them before they become an issue.

The Public Works report for July 2011, In-Line Services started the water meter change out and by the end of the month over 800 meters were changed out.

Fire hydrants were flushed throughout the Town.

Five water valve boxes were dug up and repaired.

The sidewalks were sprayed for weed control.

The new belt-press is operating great at the Northgate Sewer Plant. It has cut the operating time in half.

They removed the damaged fire hydrant on Main Street near Mirabito's.

There were 8 after hour call outs for sewer and water related issues.

The last of the lawn damage areas were top soiled and seeded.

Mr. Kellogg - The music in the parks program is half way through their program and attendance has been very good so far. The August concerts are Freddy Mendoza, Dirt Farm, Rich Wilson, and Old Friends.

The Sock Hop is all set for August 12th and the band "Aldershollow" will be playing at that.

For our insurance, Mr. Kellogg received an email from Brian Verdon, Haylor, Freyer & Coon, Inc., informing us of an updated, user-friendly Risk Control website from Trident.

Mr. Hulbert - The Highway Department was very busy in the month of July.

Catch basins were cleaned on Clarendon Dr., and S. Wisconsin Dr. They were rebuilt on Arbutus, Columbine, Mary and Thistle Way.

Ditch reconstruction work was performed on Arbutus Lane. Ditch cleaning was done on Willis and Wilson Hill Roads.

A crossover drainage pipe that was damaged in the spring flooding was replaced on Swift Road.

The Columbine Drive drainage system was repaired and upgraded.

Sluice pipes were replaced at 63 Daniel Drive, 65 Edelweiss Lane, 3 Jessie Drive and 207 Poplar Hill Road.

Arbutus Lane, Columbine Drive, Thistle Way, Sundew Way and South Wisconsin Drive were milled and paved.

A no parking sign was reinstalled on Oak Hill Road.

The Highway Department leveled areas of roadway on Arbutus and Columbine prior to it being

paved. Fox Road, off Brooks Road, was strip patched.

A small washout was repaired on Mix Road.

The Town of Vestal chipped the landfill for us for a reduced fee with their large tub grinder.

Roadside mowing is ongoing, as well as the yardwaste pickup program.

Mr. Snopek - No report

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ATTENDANCE AT SEMINAR (Town Justice Thorold J. Smith, N.Y.S. Magistrate's Annual Conference) was offered by Mr. Hemedinger, seconded by Mrs. Pudiak, and carried by the following roll call: 5 ayes no nays, absent none.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ATTENDANCE AT SEMINAR (Court Clerk, Janet Smith, to N.Y.S. Magistrate's Court Clerks Annual Conference) was offered by Mr. Hemedinger, seconded by Mrs. Pudiak, and carried by the following roll call: 5 ayes, no nays, absent none.

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE AMENDING THE 2011 BUDGET (budget transfers) was offered by Mrs. Pudiak, seconded by Mr. Kellogg, and carried by the following roll call: 5 ayes, no nays, absent none.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR GRANT (Town Justice Department, Justice Court Assistance Program) was offered by Mr. Kellogg, seconded by Mr. Hulbert, and carried by the following roll call: 5 ayes, no nays, absent none.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ben Perkus, 1617 N.,Y. Route 12, asked if the attorneys are working on a uniform zoning code regarding leasing Town land. Mr. Walls said no, they are not.

Being that there was no further business to discuss Mr. Hemedinger moved, seconded by Mr. Hulbert, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lizanne Tiesi Korinek, Deputy Town Clerk