

A Regular meeting of the Town Board was held on the 14th day of April, 2010 at the Town Building, Fly Creek, NY at 7:00 PM.

Town Board Members Present:

Meg Kiernan	Supervisor
Anne Geddes-Atwell	Councilperson
Carl Wenner	Councilperson
John Schallert	Councilperson
Bill Michaels	Councilperson

Also Present:

Paul Elkan:	Town Attorney
Shawn Mulligan	Highway Superintendent
Pamela Deane	Town Clerk

Supervisor Kiernan called the meeting to order and asked all those in attendance to please rise and pledge the American Flag.

Councilperson Michaels requested a few minor changes.

MOTION by Councilperson Geddes-Atwell, seconded by Councilperson Michaels, to accept the minutes of March 10th as amended.

MOTION CARRIED: Supervisor Kiernan and all Councilpersons voted aye.

Supervisor Kiernan submitted correspondence for the Board to review. She read a letter of notification from the Fly Creek Cider Mill notifying the Town of their annual renewal application to operate their farm winery. There were no objections from the Board.

Engineer Jonathan McManus submitted the bid results for the Hwy Garage Office Space renovation. The bid results were as follow:

- Michael McCrea \$35,600 (withdrew bid)
- Rodney Robinson \$42,924
- Wood Done Right \$51,930
- Bill Claudy \$64,360
- Richard Wakeman \$71,728
- Snyder Builders \$86,500
- D&N Improvements \$89,245

McManus's recommendation was that the Board award the bid to the second lowest bidder Rodney Robinson. Due to other obligations Robinson would not be able to start the project full time until the end of May but hopes to be able to start some of the preparation work ahead of time. He wanted assurance that the time clock for completion would not start until he begins working on the project full time. The Board did not see this as a problem.

MOTION by Councilperson Schallert, seconded by Councilperson Geddes-Atwell, to award the Hwy Garage Office Bid to Rodney Robinson.

MOTION CARRIED: Supervisor Kiernan and all Councilpersons voted aye.

McManus submitted a bill from Wood Done Right for the additional work that **was** requested. The total bill was \$905.00. After a short discussion the Board asked McManus to request from Wood Done Right a revised bill which would include a plan for the ice shield installation. It was also the consensus of the Board to release the final payment owed to Wood Done Right.

Councilperson Michaels reported for the Building Committee. He received two quotes for the placement of gutters on the porch of the Town Building. They were as follow:

- R&D Seamless Gutters \$375
- Gutter Pro \$468

The quotes include the relocation of the light sensor, white gutters along the porch and two additional feet around the corner, and a down spout located in the inside corner of the building. It was the Building Committee's recommendation that R&D Seamless Gutters be hired to install the gutters. According to the Procurement Policy if a purchase is less then \$999 the purchase is left to the discretion of the purchaser, in this case the Town Supervisor. It was decided no vote was needed.

Councilperson Michaels asked about remote controls for the garage doors. McManus stated that remotes were suppose to be included with the openers. He will meet with Mulligan to discuss exactly what type he needs and then contact Action Garage Doors for the remotes.

The financial report was read by Councilman Kiernan. Balances are as follow in the various accounts:

General Savings: \$ 4,656.63	General Checking: \$ 722,114.88
Highway Savings: \$ 7,764.53	Highway Checking: \$ 691,519.80
Highway Equipment: \$154,255.84	

MOTION by Councilman Michaels, seconded by Councilman Geddes-Atwell, to accept the financial report as given.

MOTION CARRIED: Supervisor Kiernan and all Councilpersons voted aye,

MOTION by Councilperson Geddes-Atwell, seconded by Councilperson Schallert, to pay the following bills and make the necessary transfers.

General: #226-#232 #234-#251	\$23,348.65
Hwy: #289-#311	\$51,709.33

MOTION CARRIED: Supervisor Kiernan and all Councilpersons voted aye.

Highway Superintendent report was given by Highway Superintendent Shawn Mulligan. Fuel expenses for this month are as follow:

FUEL	GALLONS	TOTAL COST/MONTH	YTD GALS	YTD EXP.
Gas	375.0	\$ 914.82	933.0	\$ 2,163.12
Diesel	989.0	\$ 2,568.82	7,472.7	\$ 19,736.49
Heating	-0-	\$ -0-	-0-	\$ -0-
Svc.		\$ -0-		\$ 12.04

Vincent Carfagno asked for an update on Keys Road. He has seen no change in the time frame in which the road is plowed and maintained during a storm. Carfagno still feels it makes more sense to open Keys Road year-round.

Cook Road resident Bruce Rose, stated that while he was employed with the Town the Town spent a lot of time and money improving Keys Road. Rose did not believe it would be that expensive to open the entire road. Most of Keys Road is already open year-round. He feels it will start to go back to brush if the entire road is not open year-round.

Councilperson Michaels stated that the seasonal end is only 1.3 miles and he didn't see much difference in the condition of the seasonal part of Keys road vs the year-round section. He felt that eventually more lots will be developed on the seasonal end and therefore he felt it makes logical sense to open all of Keys Road year-round.

Town Attorney Paul Elkan informed the Board that this decision is up to the Town Highway Superintendent.

Mulligan reported that the 2000 John Deere loader needs extensive work. He is looking into replacing it. Mulligan also stated that the trucks need repairs, tools need to be replaced, and sinks and air lines need to be installed in the new facility.

Councilperson Michaels submitted shelving information to Mulligan for review.

Supervisor Kiernan announced that the Highway Employees will be starting a 4 day work week after Memorial Day Weekend.

Highway Superintendent Mulligan reported placing a STOP sign at the end of Cook Rd. Bruce Rose suggested that he research the mandatory height of road signs. They appear to Rose to be too low and could be a safety hazard to those traveling on a bicycle.

Zoning Enforcement Office Hank Schecher reported the following permits were issued since last month.

ZBA Application: 1

Schecher asked the Board for clarification on MERCHANT PERMITS...The owner of the Ding a Ling

Ice Cream truck has expressed interest in being allowed to operate in the Town of Otsego again this year.

After a short discussion it was decided that due to the fact that the Town Local Law does not specifically require the permit to be renewed every year she can still operate under the original permit.

John Phillips reported that the Planning Board is looking into combining educational meetings with other towns. The Planning Board has still heard nothing about the Linden Avenue project which needs to come before them for review.

Councilperson Geddes-Atwell reported that the Water Shed Committee is now starting their second cycle of 5 year inspections of septic systems around Otsego Lake.

Supervisor Kiernan submitted a revised copy of the Procurement Policy for the Boards review.

MOTION by Councilperson Michaels, seconded by Councilperson Geddes-Atwell, to adopt the proposed Procurement Policy as written.

MOTION CARRIED: Supervisor Kiernan and all Councilpersons voted aye.

Supervisor Kiernan informed the Board members that all e-mails need to be copied to the Town Clerk for retention purposes.

Supervisor Kiernan suggested holding a "Tire Collection Day" on May 15th from 7:00AM to 2:00PM for Town of Otsego residents only.

MOTION by Councilperson Geddes-Atwell, seconded by Supervisor Kiernan, to hold a Tire Collection Day, May 15th.

MOTION CARRIED: Supervisor Kiernan, Councilpersons Geddes-Atwell, and Schallert voted yes. Councilpersons Wenner and Michaels voted no.

Supervisor Kiernan read a letter from Cynthia Falk, a teacher of Architectural History and Material Culture for the Cooperstown Graduate Program. In the letter she explains that her students are actively applying for a grant under "Preserve New York" which will fund cultural resource surveys like the one the students are about to do. Under the grant the students would be looking closely at buildings and other structures within the Glimmerglass Historic District. She is asking for letters of support from each of the municipalities included in the district.

Councilperson Michaels stated that he did not oppose the grant, however he questioned whether property owners within the Glimmerglass Historic District are really free to maintain, manage, or dispose of their property as they choose provided that no Federal or State monies were involved, as was originally promised before the Historic District was established.

Councilperson Wenner does not believe the government should be offering grants with taxpayers money.

MOTION by Councilperson Geddes-Atwell, seconded by Supervisor Kiernan, to write a letter of support.

MOTION FAILS: Supervisor Kiernan and Councilperson Geddes-Atwell, voted yes. Councilpersons Schallert, Wenner, and Michaels voted no.

MOTION by Councilperson Wenner to adjourn.

MOTION CARRIED: Supervisor Kiernan and all Councilpersons voted aye.

Meeting is adjourned at 8:50PM.

The next regular meeting will be held at the Town Building in Fly Creek on the 12th day of May, 2010 at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pamela Deane
Town Clerk