

A Special Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Otsego was held on the 20th day of August 2009 at the Town Building, Fly Creek, NY at 9:00 AM.

Town Board Members Present:

Thomas Breiten	Supervisor
John Schallert	Councilperson
Meg Kiernan	Councilperson
Bill Michaels	Councilperson
Anne Geddes-Atwell	Councilperson

Others Present:

Pamela Deane	Town Clerk
Shawn Mulligan	Highway Superintendent

Supervisor Breiten called the meeting to order.

Supervisor Breiten re-submitted contractor Art Hubbell's bill for replacing the ridge vent and the Oneonta Star's bill with copies of the legal notices attached .

Engineer Jon McManus, made it clear to the Board that he has no authority to direct any Town employee what to do. Because of insurance reasons McManus never physically went up on the roof to inspect the ridge vent of the Cemetery Road Highway Building. He calculated that there was enough soffit vent to make up for the ridge vent.

Highway Superintendent Shawn Mulligan, stated that you could see daylight through the ridge vent. Contractor Art Hubbell verified that the ridge vent was leaking and needed to be replaced.

MOTION by Councilperson Michaels, seconded by Councilperson Geddes-Atwell, to pay the two bills.

MOTION CARRIED: Supervisor Breiten and all Councilpersons voted aye.

McManus updated that Board with the progress of the highway garage addition. He stated that Wood Done Right left installation of the tubing for the radiant heat in the floor out of the bid. John McLean, owner of Wood Done Right, estimated that it would cost him \$3,500 in labor if his employees ran the tubing. He would rather pay United Plumbing and Heating to lay the tubing. United plumbing and Heating has submitted an estimated cost of \$10,000 to lay the tubing. McManus asked the Board for some direction.

It was the consensus of the Board to leave the contracts as they stand. Wood Done Right will be responsible for installing the tubing as originally outlined in the bid.

McManus submitted color samples for the Board to consider. Light grey was suggested for the roof. It was decided the color of the building should match the existing building.

McManus asked the Board if they preferred to go with radiant heat or baseboard in the common area?

After a short discussion it was the consensus of the Board that the floor in the common area/kitchen/office area should be removed and replaced with radiant heat.

McManus will have the bid documents for the Board to review by the September monthly meeting.

Supervisor proceeded to review and discuss the 2010 Town Budget.

Councilperson Michaels felt the number of full time highway employees should be reduced from 7 to 6.

MOTION by Councilperson Michaels, seconded by Councilperson Schallert, to reduce Highway account DA-5142.1 (snow removal – personal services) from \$130,000.00 to \$110,000.00.

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

MOTION by Councilperson Michaels not to paint the Fork Shop Bridge. Instead transfer \$100,000.00 to a reserve account toward replacing the bridge in the near future.

There was no second. MOTION DIED.

MOTION by Councilperson Michaels, seconded by Councilperson Geddes-Atwell, to increase DB-5110.4 Maintenance of Streets – contractual expense, from \$100,000.00 to \$150,000.00 to upgrade Vibbard Road.

MOTION CARRIED: Supervisor Breiten and all Councilpersons voted aye.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:50AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Pamela Deane
Town Clerk