

Minutes of the Town Board Meeting held at Town Hall, 511 Route 32, Highland Mills, New York on April 1, 2010 at 7:30PM

Present: John Burke, Supervisor
Amidee Haviland, Carlton Levine, Frank Palermo and James Skoufis, Councilmen
Absent: None
Also Present: Richard Liberth, Attorney for the Town; Dennis Lindsay, Engineer for the Town; Robert Kwiatkowski, Police Chief; Sandy Capriglione, Village Zoning Board; Timothy Egan, Village Trustee

I. Administrative Business:

a. Acceptance of Minutes:

Motion was offered by Councilman Levine, seconded by Councilman Palermo, to accept the minutes of the regular meeting held March 18, 2010.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Burke, Haviland, Levine, Palermo, Skoufis
NOES 0

b. Approval of Abstract:

Motion was offered by Councilman Skoufis, seconded by Councilman Levine, to approve Abstract 7, Vouchers #20100567 - #20100629, totaling \$76,997.59.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Burke, Haviland, Levine, Palermo, Skoufis
NOES 0

c. Budget Modification(s):

Motion was offered by Supervisor Burke, seconded by Councilman Palermo, to approve a modification to the budget of the General Fund by increasing A599 (Appropriated Fund Balance) by \$269 and increasing A7620.401 (Telephone) by \$269.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Burke, Haviland, Levine, Palermo, Skoufis
NOES 0

Motion was then offered by Councilman Levine, seconded by Councilman Palermo, to approve a modification to the budget of the Highway Department by decreasing DB5142.466 (Salt/Liquid Calcium) by \$3,872 and increasing DB5110.456 (Disaster Clean Up) by \$3,872.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Burke, Haviland, Levine, Palermo, Skoufis
NOES 0

II. Old Business:

There was no old business to discuss.

III. New Business:

a. Discussion – Closing of County Route 105:

Supervisor Burke stated the County will provide proper signage about detours that are available. Work will begin on April 12th and is expected to be completed within fourteen days as long as problems do not arise.

b. Discussion – Estrada Road Bridge:

Supervisor Burke stated the bridge has deteriorated quite a bit since it was built in 1916. The bridge is closed over Woodbury Creek. Supervisor Burke was asking for the Board's approval to go forward and have an engineer brought in to confirm the Town's findings regarding the damage done to

the Estrada Road Bridge. He said this would not be a quick fix and will take some time. Motion was offered by Councilman Haviland, seconded by Councilman Levine, authorizing Supervisor Burke to contact engineers.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Burke, Haviland, Levine, Palermo, Skoufis
 NOES 0

EXTRA ITEM – Proposed Information Technology Policy:

Councilman Skoufis explained what the Technology policy was all about. Councilman Palermo said he thought this matter was something to be discussed at a worksession when everyone had a chance to review the drafted policy. The Town Board agreed to discuss this at the April 12 worksession.

IV. Public Comment:

Councilman Skoufis mentioned the littering that is being done around town. He suggested that all residents be mindful of this situation and help out whenever necessary by picking up and disposing of any debris properly.

John Smith discussed Route 32 and County Route 105 to Ridge Road. He wanted to know when the work was going to be completed. Supervisor Burke said he would call the County and ask them when resurfacing the road was going to begin. Mr. Smith also mentioned that the County has dropped the lawsuit regarding the pipeline. He asked whether or not the Town was going to be impacted by this. Supervisor Burke said absolutely it will have a definite impact on us. It is not good for our Town but we will talk about ways to move forward in the future.

Sandy Capriglione discussed the closing of Estrada Road. She mentioned that Abrams Road has three significant potholes and that road is to be a detour for the closing of Estrada. Supervisor Burke assured her that the Highway Department will take care of the potholes as soon as possible. Detour signs will be put up on 4/2/10 and the potholes will be fixed next week.

Ralph Caruso was here representing the Committee for the Preservation of Woodbury. He said they were holding a forum at the CV Elementary School on 4/21/10 between 7-9pm. The topic of discussion will be the KJ Pipeline, OC Sewer District Capacity and the OC Water Master Plan. He has invited all elected officials, residents and anyone else interested, including people from the surrounding communities.

8:05PM – Executive Session:

Motion was offered by Councilman Palermo, seconded by Councilman Skoufis, to enter into an executive session pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law to discuss one item relating to an item of litigation regarding a tax certiorari and one item relating to contractual negotiations regarding the contracts for the CV Pond Improvements.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Burke, Haviland, Levine, Palermo, Skoufis
 NOES 0

There were no minutes of the executive session recorded.

Motion was offered by Councilman Palermo, seconded by Supervisor Burke, to end the executive session and return to open session.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Burke, Haviland, Levine, Palermo, Skoufis
 NOES 0

Motion was then offered by Councilman Palermo, seconded by Councilman Levine, to authorize Attorney Liberth to settle the tax certiorari for the Article 7 against the Town consisting of the following parcels: 225-1-16.11; 225-1-16.12; 225-1-16.13; 225-1-16.14; 225-1-16.2; 225-1-16.3 and 225-1-16.4.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Burke, Haviland, Levine, Palermo, Skoufis
 NOES 0

Motion was then offered by Councilman Skoufis, seconded by Councilman Palermo, to approve a letter be sent by Engineer Lindsay to the contractor advising of the contractual time obligations, the liquidated damage provisions of the contract and the following contractual modifications to reflect site conditions in accordance with the April 1 report of Engineer Lindsay (printed on page 70-72 of this minute book):

1. Custom Fountain Paint – Contract increase of \$1050 for custom colors
2. Curtain Drain Extension – Contract increase of \$1491
3. Perimeter Drain Foundation – Contract increase of \$39,900

ADOPTED AYES 5 Burke, Haviland, Levine, Palermo, Skoufis
 NOES 0

V. Adjournment:

With no further business to discuss, a motion was offered by Councilman Haviland, seconded by Councilman Levine, to adjourn the meeting at 8:30PM.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Burke, Haviland, Levine, Palermo, Skoufis
 NOES 0

Michele Zwicker, Deputy Town Clerk