

Town of Nelson
Town Board Meeting
March 12, 2009

Present: Richard Williams, Supervisor
Denise Earl, Councilman
Dean Coe, Councilman
Robert Davies, Councilman
Michael Costello, Councilman
Jack Sevier, Highway Superintendent
Sue Henderson, Town Clerk

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Williams at 7:00 pm.

The pledge of allegiance was recited and roll call was taken. Mike made a motion to accept the January minutes as amended and Rob seconded. All voted in favor and the minutes were approved. Dean made a motion to accept the February minutes as amended and Denise seconded. All voted in favor and the minutes were approved.

The next Land Use Regulation Committee will be meeting on March 26, 2009 at 7:00.

Steve McCarthy was here from RMSCO to review our insurance program for renewal. He spoke at length about our coverages and how we will be getting back \$1,203 per year for the next 3 years from NYMIR. There was a motion made by Mike to accept the proposal and seconded by Rob. All voted in favor and the motion was carried.

Dick gave the Supervisor's report and reported on the Supervisor's meeting. The County Historian was there to advise of the progress for the Madison County Fair. Denise sent items to Christabell for the Heritage Society. There will also be a 5K run at the fair. They approved a proposal to purchase Cronos, which is an employee management system for entrance into the buildings at the county. They also approved to continue the rifle deer hunting issue for another year.

Sue gave the Town Clerk's report. She said it was a slow month but there was \$857 in penalties from taxes for the month. She also said there was only one permit issued for the zoning report.

Jack gave the Highway Supervisor's report. He said they are having a meeting next month with the Hays. He gave out copies of the project list for the summer. One issue is the letter from the Beebe Road residents and Jack will send them a letter advising them that this will be taken care of this summer. The highway tour will be April 4 at 9:00 at the Town Building. There is \$10,000 available for the purchase of a mower/tractor. Dick made a motion to purchase a backhoe and Dean seconded. All voted in favor and the motion was carried.

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Dick said that the re-evaluation is underway. The NY State Office of Real Property Services said our residential assessment ratio is 77.20. The census is also progressing.

Miriam Barrows will be attending the Farms, Food and Energy show. She also had pictures of the flags in town and the highway barn with no letters on it. Sue will order the letters for the barn and Jack will get with the county to put up the flags now that we have the new hardware.

Time Warner still doesn't have a contract with the Public Service Commission to expand services to include digital tv.

New Business

Water District – we are now pursuing the NYS Revolving Fund because of the new federal stimulus money for the water tower. Barbara Henderson suggested we also check with Oneida Savings Bank for a loan.

It was decided to put the little building at Tuscarora Park under the existing pavilion.

The Madison County Work Crew is a large crew this year of people that just want to work. We should keep them in mind for odd jobs we need done.

We need a new person on the Planning Board as Ed Nelson cannot be here every month. Everyone should look for a candidate.

The town clean-up day will be May 2nd. It will be the same as last year and Sue will put it in the papers.

Denise mentioned that Sonia Davies would like to be Deputy Town Clerk. Denise made a motion to raise the Deputy Town Clerk's pay to \$10 per hour. Mike seconded and all voted in favor.

There was a motion by Dean to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mike. All voted in favor and the meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan J. Henderson, Secretary