

Town of Nelson, Town Board Meeting
April 10, 2008
Nelson Office Building – 7:00 pm

Present: Michael Costello, Councilman – Acting Chairman
Denise Earl, Councilwoman
Dean Coe, Councilman
Robert Davies, Councilman
John Sevier, Jr., Highway Superintendent
Susan Henderson, Town Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Deputy Supervisor Michael Costello in the absence of Dick Williams.
Board members attending were Dean Coe, Mike Costello, Rob Davies and Denise Earl. Also attending were John Sevier and Susan Henderson.

After the Pledge of Allegiance the minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and Dean expressed concern that the resolution at the last meeting said that the Town of Cazenovia is the lead agency but it should read the Village of Cazenovia. Mike suggested passing them as corrected with a question on that. A motion was made by Dean Coe and seconded by Rob Davies to accept the minutes. It was carried after approval by all members.

Mike asked for any public comments. There was none.

Announcements

The Farmland Protection Grant meeting will be here at 7:00 pm. on April 23, 2008.

The annual clean-up day will be Saturday May 3rd at the Highway garage from 8:00 until 1:00. A woman from the audience asked if we would put in the paper that the original intention of this day was to clean up around everyone's area, yard, etc. Mike said yes, that was the way it was originally set up but we cannot advertise that now as far as the liability issues. There are vests, cones, plastic gloves, etc. required now. People can still do that on their own and we will provide the containers for disposal. There was discussion on what was allowed to be brought to the site and what is not allowed.

Supervisor Report

Summary of expenditures was read by Mike.

Madison County Board Meeting

There was nothing to report as no one was able to go.

Town Clerk Report

The Town Clerk's report was read by Sue.

Planning Board Meeting

Denise Earl gave the report about the Planning Board Meeting.

Zoning Officer's Report

There is no report on the Zoning Officer as Roger was on vacation.

Town Board Meeting
April 10, 2008

Highway Superintendent's Report

Jack gave the Highway Superintendent's Report and said they are still trying to come up with a Shared Owners Agreement with the Town of Fenner for the chipper. The Madison County Deputy Highway Engineer was out to Sanderson Road and came up with a plan for culvert pipes, catch basins, etc. They did a survey of the road and came up with various things to do to fix this problem. Mike suggested taking a road tour of the area to take a look at several spots over there. It was determined that this will be on April 26 at 9:00 am at the town garage. Craig Omans said the best way to fix the road would be to take the road back down the way it was. Jack said the highway engineer said there had to be a crown on the road or we could be open for liability issues. Craig Omans said there is a problem up above his house with the road now and needs to be taken care of as soon as possible. Jack has already addressed it.

Correspondence

Mike stated that there is a letter from Central New York Community Foundation stating that they have "Grants for Green Space". They award up to \$750 grants to be used for park improvements, trail development, garden space, landscaping etc.

James Curtis, Central New York Forestry wants to walk through our woods by the park (the old rod and gun club property) and give us an idea of the standing timber. He has done this before about 7 years ago.

We have the certificate of insurance from the women's softball team so they are all set.

There is a letter from the Madison County Soil and Water Conservation to go to John Dunkle in regard to the storm water management. The DEC and EPA have adopted new local law so John will see how it differs from ours and incorporate it into our storm water management program.

Letter from Jack Houck, North Lake Road, Erieville, who inquired Madison County Health Department about a septic system. He had an engineer draw it up and talked to Roger and would like someone to get back to him. Mike will forward it to Roger.

Letter from NYMIR regarding our playground, specifically the absorbing material underneath the swing set, etcetera. Jack was aware of the guidelines and will see to it.

Old Business

Not much has been done on old business so there is nothing new to report. The highway department personnel compensated sick time is still being worked on. They are still working on the computer for the bookkeeper.

New Business

Erieville Water District improvement project is ready to go out to bid. Dick Elliott will send the packets out. A letter needs to go to the residents along with a survey regarding income. It was decided to have these surveys sent to the Madison County Planning Department and maybe more people will fill them out. Rob made a motion to advertise the bids for the water district and Dean seconded. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Water Supply Well for the Tuscarora Park

Dean will be getting bids for the well. He already has one from Bickom Drilling.

Office Remodel

Sue gave the report of the office remodel and said that Fay didn't need anything right now. He will know better after more things are cleaned out of the room. It was determined that Roger's office needs 2 file cabinets. Mike made a motion to get the furniture from Oneida Office supply and Denise seconded it. All voted in favor and the motion was carried.

Town Survey

The town survey is still being worked on. Miriam Barrows suggested having signs on the roads into the town saying that this is Erieville. She said people from out of town don't know when they get to Erieville. Mike suggested that they have circles such as 1 – excellent – 2 – not needed etc. Miriam said she thought the survey was a good idea but not many people will respond. Rob thought if we passed them out at the BBQ we might get people to fill them out right there. Also brought up was having them at Rosie's and Kay's.

At the last meeting we talked about the local law to establish an escrow account to pay for professional services, (i.e. engineering, legal, special experts, etc.) when we do major sites. Dick wants to work on it next month and we will schedule a Public Hearing for that for next month.

Dottie Houck who lives on North Lake Road spoke about the water problem on her property and asked what could be done about it. Jack said he has addressed it and they are working on it.

Dean made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Rob seconded. All voted in favor and the meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan J. Henderson, Secretary