

STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF WARREN
TOWN OF BOLTON

Call To Order: 7:26pm

January 3, 2012

Regular Meeting:

Supervisor: Ronald Conover
Councilman: Robert MacEwan
Councilman: Owen Maranville
Councilmember: Cheryl Bolton
Councilmember: Susan Wilson
Town Clerk: Patricia Steele
Counsel: Michael Muller

Minutes:

Approval of the December 28, 2011 End of Year Meeting Minutes.

RESOLUTION #21

Councilman MacEwan moved, seconded by Councilman Maranville to approve the end of the year minutes of December 28, 2011 meeting. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Public in Attendance:

Zandy Gabriels said he'd like to reemphasize the comments about the Bolton Bookkeeper, Donna Boggs and how this town would struggle considerably without her experience. We owe her a great deal of thanks.

He also asked about Resolution #11 concerning indemnification issues. It's broadly drawn and seems to apply to the Conservation Park, Bed Tax and Local Zoning Code Revision Committee. Would it apply to the Local Waterfront Revitalization and Recreation Committee. Counsel Muller replied that it could. Mr. Gabriels asked if it would follow the open government rule of posting their meetings on the web and doors, etc. as a matter of public information. Counsel stated that if it is a public meeting it certainly should comply with open meeting laws.

Mr. Gabriels distributed to the Town Board a picture of a fence located at Fish Point. He suggested to the Town Board that they get together with the Assessor for clarification of ownership of the property. He feels it is a private fence on town property and it is illegal.

Correspondence:

- Carl Schoder request to reserve Town Pier for wedding ceremony (weather permitting) on October 6, 2012 from 11:00am to 2:00pm.

- Matt Schuette, Jaeger & Flynn Associates, Inc., regarding comparison of MVP and CDPHP plans.
- Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages voucher request for 2012 annual membership dues.
- Richard Laberge, Laberge Group regarding consulting services.
- Elizabeth K. Pitcairn, President and Artistic Director concerning fund raising for the Luzerne Music Center.
- Historical Society packet about concept plans and a future meeting to discuss this formally

Committee Reports:

Councilman: Robert MacEwan:

Code Enforcement Officer filed a 12 page report, 18 sites visited, 271 miles logged.

Water Department reports actual flow through plant before deductions 4,722,400 gallons of water and after deductions 4,003,776.

Transfer Station reports total for month \$6,123.00. Received an estimate from Jim Madison about our compactor. Supervisor Conover stated the Town of Queensbury recently purchased a compactor and he has asked the Supervisor for information he had. As soon as it is received Supervisor Conover will distribute it to the Board members.

Lisa French also requested consideration for the heating issue in the building.

She also stated that the brush pile is pretty large and since there is no snow it would be a good time to dispose of it.

Councilman: Owen Maranville:

Assessor reports that during December his computer file has been kept up to date with deed transfers and address changes. Sales information and new addresses were quickly passed to the Town Clerk for tax billing purposes. During December we received 3 arm's length sales of real property. This makes a total of 17 sales from July 1, the beginning of our valuation year. In-house revaluation project continues to progress along well. During December he used 9 vacation days.

He plans to have an informational meeting regarding the revaluation project at the Town Hall one evening. Tentatively he has planned for Thursday, January 26 starting at 6:30pm. He will inform all the normal media sources and our web keeper to get the word out.

Police reports 1635 miles patrolled, 139.3 gals of fuel used and submitted an itemized list of activities.

Justice Court Hon. Harry Demarest took in \$3,965 and Hon. Edward Stewart took in \$6,519. Total monies forwarded to the Town are \$10,484.00. Itemized lists are available in the Court for review.

Highway Department Superintendent reports ditching and widening Dickinson Hill Road. Hauled Item 4 and cut trees. Removed settlement dewatering bag, hay bales and plastic from Beckley's Marina for the LGA. Supervisor Conover thanked the Highway Dept. for all their efforts and a job well done.

Councilmember Sue Wilson:

Reports the Local Waterfront Revitalization Program continues to meet and is chaired by Hal Heusner and led by the LA Group. They are having a meeting January 18th at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall. Information packets are available.

Senior Citizens: Busy month of January. The 4th is their regular meeting, the 10th is Saratoga Racino, the 11th is Bowling, the 18th is Bingo and the 25th is Bowling.

Conservation Park and Community Center: In January on Mondays is Chair Yoga, Monday and Wednesday is Pilates and for four Tuesdays in January the school group will be utilizing the building.

Councilmember Cheryl Bolton:

Has no official report at this time. She has contacted the Fire Department and the Rescue Squad and scheduled meetings with both. She will also follow through with Parks and Recreation and have reports on both.

Supervisors Report:

- Receipts: \$403,772.05
- Disbursements: \$922,836.64
- Reminder regarding restricted parking on streets during measurable snowfall periods.
- Supervisor Conover provided the Board members with a status picture of the Trickling Filter cover which is now fully enclosed.
- Sales tax update for November, 2011 for Warren County was -.1% not -.5% as previously reported. By mid January there will be a report issued.

Old Business / Tabled Resolutions:

- Resolution authorizing 5 year term appointment to the Town of Bolton Zoning Board of Appeals, term to expire 12/31/2016.

Motion by Councilman MacEwan, seconded by Councilman Maranville to nominate John Famosi to the Zoning Board of Appeals, term to expire 12/31/2016. Councilmember Wilson nominated Kam Hoopes who was currently serving until his term expired and has indicated his desire to continue to serve. Councilmember Wilson believes he brings a balance to the Board. The Chairman of the Board, Jason Saris has encouraged that he be reappointed. After a brief discussion the Town Board agreed to proceed with the vote on the motion on the floor.

Supervisor Conover called for a roll call vote.

RESOLUTION #22

On the motion that was seconded to nominate John Famosi to the Zoning Board of Appeals, term to expire 12/31/2016 Councilman Maranville Yea, Councilman MacEwan Yea, Councilmember Wilson Nay, Councilmember Bolton Nay, Supervisor Conover Yea. Motion Carried.

Councilmember Wilson added that she is very pleased that John Famosi has agreed to serve. Supervisor Conover said there were two good candidates and it's never an easy decision. The fact of the matter is that the decision rests with the Board.

New Business:

- Resolution approving use of Bolton Pier by Carl Schoder for wedding on October 6, 2012, from 11:00am to 2:00pm

RELOLUTION #23

Motion by Councilman Maranville, seconded by Councilmember Bolton for Carl Schoder to use the Bolton Pier for a wedding on October 6, 2012 from 11:00am to 2:00pm. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Supervisor Conover stated that Carl was the engineer on the pier project and it is very near and dear to him and that his daughter will be getting married on the pier, a project that gives him a lot of pride.

- Resolution approving payment of 2012 membership dues to the Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages in the amount of \$600.

RESOLUTION #24

Councilman Maranville moved, seconded by Councilmember Bolton to approve the payment of 2012 membership dues to the Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages in the amount of \$600. All in Favor. Motion carried

Public in Attendance

No comments

Transfers:

None

Pay Bills:

RESOLUTION #25

Councilman Maranville moved, seconded by Councilman MacEwan to approve the payment of the following bills:

| | Voucher | Amount |
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| December Mid Abstract 12D | | |

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| General | 1463-1468,1478-1483 | \$ 4,153.68 |
| Highway | 567-587 | 11,018.46 |
| Sewer | 309-310 | 201.01 |
| Water | 260-261 | 760.24 |
| Tourism | 61 | 1,251.69 |

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| General | 1-8 | 38,050.92 |
| Highway | 1 | 2,055.00 |
| Water | 1 | 380.00 |
| Sewer | 1 | 283.00 |

All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Executive Session:

None

Adjourn:

RESOLUTION #26

Councilman McEwan moved, seconded by Councilman Maranville to adjourn at 7:53pm. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Patricia Steele

Town Clerk