

LUMBERLAND TOWN BOARD
WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
MAY 9, 2011

The Town Board of the Town of Lumberland held a Workshop Meeting on Monday, May 9, 2011, at 7 p.m., at the Municipal Building in Glen Spey, N.Y. Supervisor Nadia Rajsz opened the meeting at 7 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those members present were: Supervisor Nadia Rajsz
Councilman/Deputy Supervisor Joseph Carr
Councilman Jay Shafer
Councilman James Akt
Councilman William J. McKerrell

Also present were Town Clerk Virginia Horn, Historian/Grant Writer Frank Schwarz, Sophia Martynec and ZBA Chairman/Cemetery Committee Chairman Lewis Powell.

Cemetery Committee Chairman Lewis Powell requested permission to address the Town Board. Powell reported that the Board members were aware of a situation involving property owners at the end of the first trail in Mohican Lake. Powell noted that these new property owners have been blocking access to the very end of the first trail. Powell reported he did some research and found that these particular property owners do not own all of the existing property at the end of the trail and he has contacted the original owner of one portion of the property and has been told he could get a quick deed from the owner of record to use the property in question. Powell stated he would like to purchase the piece of property and give the town a right of way or an easement to be able to allow the Highway Dept. to plow to that portion. Powell reported that another property owner, the Taylors, also own in that particular area and he will contact them to get permission to also use their property for the same purpose. Powell stated he will contact the Town Attorney and the Taylors to see what would need to be done.

Supervisor Rajsz reported there will be a Public Hearing on Wednesday night for approval of the Fire Dept. contract. Supervisor Rajsz noted that Heather Jacksey will be coming to Wednesday night's meeting to discuss the local waterfront revitalization plan.

The Town Clerk noted a correction to the numbering of the correspondence, that she had added correspondence that had already been listed on the agenda.

Supervisor Rajsz reported Frank Schwarz had gotten another quote for the remaining carpeting needed for the other offices to submit for the HCAP grant, but noted he will need

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to get a second quote. Schwarz reported he has gotten the second quote but can't go ahead and put in a resolution for approval for the purchase until they get the official notification of the grant award. Schwarz reported the quote for the carpet was cheaper than the quote for tile, noting they have discussed tile for the main meeting room in the municipal building and the constables office. Schwarz will wait until next month to put in a resolution.

Supervisor Rajszyk reported they have received the Tax Collector's resignation, noting they had previously talked about getting a lock box for the bank to receive tax payments and to have someone working part time to collect taxes. The Town Clerk reported that the Deputy Tax Collector did a wonderful job stepping in to wrap up the tax season while the Tax Collector was in the hospital. The Town Clerk noted she would like to keep the existing Deputy Tax Collector since she is trained and would hate to lose her.

Supervisor Rajszyk stated they may have a late file resolution for Wednesday night's meeting to approve payment for the feasibility study.

Councilman Akt reported he got quotes for the repair to the constable garage door and for the company to remove the old fuel oil tank behind the Town Hall. The Town Clerk submitted a quote she received for the changing of the light switches in the Highway Garage. The Board members reviewed the quotes submitted. Councilman McKerrill reported they should be getting another quote from Port Jervis Electric for the light switches. The Board members agreed they need to approve the repair for the constable garage door and the cost for the removal of the old fuel oil tank.

Supervisor Rajszyk questioned who the Parks Committee members are, noting she would like to establish terms for those members. Supervisor Rajszyk also questioned if a resolution had been done to establish the 4 day work week for the Highway Dept. during the summer months. The Town Clerk reported she did not remember doing one but will search to see if a resolution had ever been done.

Supervisor Rajszyk stated that she had previously been unaware of a highway worker being out on workmen's compensation, noting she should have been notified.

Supervisor Rajszyk reported she had gotten a letter from the Association of Towns that they will be having a seminar on gas drilling on June 24th in Binghamton for anyone that would like to attend. Supervisor Rajszyk noted this will be in conjunction with a forum being held by Cornell Cooperative Extension the same day. Councilman Shafer reported there should have been a resolution from the MMTF to pass approving they hold a Public Hearing but

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has not received the resolution yet. Supervisor Rajsz noted the Zoning Rewrite Committee will be meeting with the attorney group this Saturday to review everything.

Grant Writer Frank Schwarz reported that the Scenic Byways panels wording is complete. Schwarz also noted that the Scenic Byways other grant for the historical plaque is on hold due to lack of funding from the State but it is ready to go if the funds become available.

Grant Writer Frank Schwarz reported he has gotten notification there is no legislative funding, noting there is nothing from Gunther's and Bonacic's offices. Schwarz noted he is working on a grant for funding to replace the roofs on the municipal building and the pavilion.

Supervisor Rajsz congratulated Frank Schwarz on his recent award for the Cultural Series, and congratulated Joe & Rose Carr for their Pride award.

Councilman McKerrell reported he needs to put in a resolution for approval of purchases for the parks. Councilman McKerrell reported they have been working on the Pond Eddy park, however, there is one person that has been trying to stop what is being done. Councilman McKerrell reported the parks committee has been discussing sending out a letter to the people in the Pond Eddy area to get public comment on what is being done with their park. Supervisor Rajsz stated that we need to move forward to make improvements. Frank Schwarz reported that the Pond Eddy park is looking wonderful. Councilman McKerrell reported there was money left over from grant monies for the parks so they are requesting the approval for purchasing dirt, top soil and baskets for the basketball courts, two for Circle Park and one for the Pond Eddy Park.

Councilman Carr questioned if the Boy Scout who is doing the Eagle Scout project on the war monuments will be installing the new POW/MIA flag pole? Frank Schwarz requested that they don't fly the new flag until after Memorial Day.

Councilman Carr reported he has booked a band for the Youth Concert after the July 4th parade, noting the band's name is "Mad Carnival". Councilman Carr stated that the band is for the teens and the cost was \$400.

Grant Writer Frank Schwarz reported he is pursuing a grant for vests for the constables.

Supervisor Rajsz reported that the kitchen door in the Town Hall is constantly being left open or unlocked, noting that someone came into the hall last Friday and fell asleep in the

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hall. Supervisor Rajsz stated the man was found and arrested. Councilman McKerrell stated that the kitchen door needs to be repaired and secured.

Councilman Akt made a motion to close the Workshop Meeting at 7:55 p.m., seconded by Councilman McKerrell, all in favor, so carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Akt made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel at 7:55 p.m., seconded by Councilman McKerrell, all in favor, so carried

Councilman Carr made a motion to close the Executive Session and reopen the Workshop Meeting at 9:09 p.m., seconded by Councilman McKerrell, all in favor, so carried.

Supervisor Rajsz discussed the possibility of doing payroll for employees every two weeks, like the Highway Dept., instead of the once a month. Supervisor Rajsz noted that the Youth Program directors have requested they be paid every two weeks for their season. Supervisor Rajsz noted that she will discuss this with the bookkeeper.

ABSTRACTS

The Board members reviewed and initialed the vouchers for Wednesday night approval of the Abstracts.

Councilman Carr made a motion to adjourn at 9:25 p.m., seconded by Councilman McKerrell, all in favor, so carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Virginia V. Horn
Town Clerk