

Special Meeting

A special meeting of the Waddington Town Board was held on Saturday, December 8, 2012 @ 7AM in the Municipal Building.

Present were: Supervisor Mark Scott, Councilors: David Putney, Shirley Robinson, Robert Dalton, and Travis McKnight, Carol A. Burns, Town Clerk, and Benjamin G. Johns, Town Attorney.

Call to order: Supv. Scott called the meeting to order @ 7AM. Supv. Scott reported that the Board will meet with the Town Attorney in private session to request legal assistance associated with the proposed sale of old River Rd parcels. This action is allowed in Section 108 of the Open Meetings law, and §4503 of the Civil Practice Law and Rules which permits exemptions to the Open Meetings law to protect attorney-client confidentiality.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Scott, seconded by McKnight to adjourn the meeting @ 7:05AM. Ayes: All

Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Waddington Town Board was held on Monday, December 10, 2012 @ 7PM in the Municipal Building.

Present were: Supv. Mark Scott and Councilors: David Putney, Shirley Robinson, Robert Dalton, and Travis McKnight.

Also present: Carol A. Burns, Town Clerk, Amanda Purcell, Ogdensburg Journal, George Croff, Mary Thisse, Anthony & Nicole Zeledon, Larry Hicks, Mike & Ken Chambers, Jim Blackmore, Allison Charles, Mildred Martin, Kevin Kitsman, Brian Norton, and Benjamin Johns, Town Attorney.

Call to order: Supv. Scott called the meeting to order @ 7PM.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Robinson, seconded by Putney to approve the minutes as submitted. Ayes: All

Town owned lands: Supv. Scott submitted a letter to the Board Members concerning the Town owned properties which he read aloud. The Board has received community feedback from residents concerning the sale of the land. Under advisement from the Town Attorney the following resolution was passed.

Resolution #80

Motioned by: Dalton

Seconded by: McKnight

WHEREAS, the Town Board of Waddington must comply with the procedure for the sale of real property as set forth in Town Law Section 90, et seq.,

WHEREAS, upon the advice of counsel Resolution # 58 passed August 13, 2012 with unanimous consent, did not conform to the applicable sections of Town Law Section 90, et seq.,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Resolution #58 is rescinded and the Town Attorney is hereby directed to rescind any offers or correspondence sent to adjoining land owners until such time as an offer or offers are authorized to be issued in pursuant to governing provisions of the Town Law, General Municipal Law, and Real Property Actions and Proceedings Law.

Roll Call Vote:

Supv. Scott: Aye	Councilor Dalton: Aye
Councilor Robinson: Aye	Councilor McKnight: Aye
Councilor Putney: Abstain	

A motion was made by Dalton, seconded by McKnight to table further discussion on Town owned lands until a later date. Ayes: Scott, Robinson, Dalton, McKnight. Abstain: Putney

Supv. Scott noted that he would like to move forward with implementing guidelines from the Strategic Plan. He would like to begin a cost benefit analysis for some of the projects listed in the plan such as residential on River Rd, campground, cost to build a road above the beach area. He stated that he would like to find out what the long term revenue, cost benefit, and how much return you would see on your benefit. C. McKnight asked what the cost for this would be and who would do the work. Supv. Scott stated that we could get help from the outside or do it as a community. Supv. Scott opened the floor to comments. There were comments both for and against the sale of lands and the appraisals. Comment period closed Supv. Scott asked the Board how they felt about doing a cost analysis. C. McKnight noted that the Board did not have enough knowledge on the subject of a road to do a good estimate. There would have to be help from outside. Supv. Scott stated that the Board could contact Heidi Ames w/the County to see if there are any grants available for this type of work. A motion was made by Scott to move forward with the cost benefit analysis for various scenarios in the Strategic Plan. There was no second to the motion. Councilors noted that they needed to look the plan over again before they could make this decision.

Committee Reports:

Library: C. Robinson reported that the Library Board met on December 4th. The snow guards have been installed across the front area of the roof and over the handicap entrance.

Vicki went over the energy audit report and would like Roy Patraw to review it. Jerry Lock from L & S Energy Services will set an appointment to discuss it.

A new trustee will be appointed in January, seven names were submitted. The Merry Berry sale was a success. Two hundred dollars will be sent to the Neighborhood Center. The Board is checking on new chairs for the computer area. They went into executive session to discuss salaries. The next meeting will be January 8th.

Recreation: C. McKnight reported that they hired an arena attendant. Jeff Rupert will be doing the ice. The committee has written a job description of duties. They have also been working on a job description for the Beach Director. The committee asked about the camper's status. C. McKnight told them that the camper has been winterized and will be looked at before spring. They will look to accept resumes for the position after the 1st of the year.

Rescue Squad: C. Dalton reported that they had met on Monday evening. They had 11 members in attendance and did a ½ hour training session on reports for billing. They will need to keep track of their mileage to the tenths of a mile. This adds further revenue. The Jr. Program is on hold for 60 days. They have been busy with ongoing training. There are new regulations concerning safety apparel such as vests, gloves, and helmets. Dispatch has been working with Life Net procedures to call the helicopter when needed.

Highway: C. Putney reported that the Highway Department has been busy putting up the Christmas lights, chipping brush on the Halfway House Road, and doing maintenance on the trucks. Discussion was held on looking for a used truck. It was noted that the Town would have to weigh the cost of new vs. used. Sometimes you don't know what you are getting. We have the new box and sander that would be put on the chassis. It might be cheaper in the long run to purchase from State Contract. Tommy Dalton is back plowing for the winter.

Chamber of Commerce: There was no one present. Supv. Scott noted that they are working on their Christmas in Waddington campaign.

Speed Reduction Request: Supv. Scott reported that we received a letter from the NYS Department of Transportation concerning the Town's request for speed reductions on the Irish Settlement Rd and Chipman corner area. They stated that the areas do not warrant speed reductions but made some suggestions for better signage in the areas. Supt. Mayette will work with the County Highway Dept. to install signs.

Cemetery Update: C. McKnight reported that Witherbee & Whalen has started the cemetery revitalization in Old Brookside Cemetery. He noted that the last time he had stopped out they were working in the last driveway on the west side. The old marble stones have been power washed and trued up. They will be quitting shortly due to weather and will begin in the spring. So far they have 180 stones washed and 80 have been trued up. They are putting a treatment on the stones that prevents moss from growing on them again. There are a couple of lilac trees that have taken over a portion of the cemetery. There are actually two stones under these trees. C. McKnight suggested that they have Supt. Mayette remove these trees in the spring and then the stones can be placed where they belong. He will be working with Supt. Mayette to get estimates to replace/repair the roads in the cemetery.

Fire/Rescue Squad Contracts: Supv. Scott reported that the Fire/Rescue Squad contracts need to be approved as they expire 12/31/12.

The Fire Contract will remain the same. \$35,000 for three years.

Resolution #81

Motioned by: McKnight

Seconded by: Putney

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby agree to renew the Fire Contract with the Village of Waddington in the amount of \$35,000 per year. The contract will be for a period of three (3) years commencing on 1/1/2013. Ayes: All

Resolution #82

Motioned by: McKnight

Seconded by: Dalton

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby agree to renew the Rescue Squad contract in the amount of \$35,000 per year. The Town Clerk will bill the Rescue Squad quarterly for gas/fuel used. The contract will be for a period of three (3) years commencing on 1/1/2013. Ayes: All

C. McKnight asked if the old town hall roof had been checked when the company installed the ice guards at the Library. Supv. Scott stated that they will send a report but was told that there is a hole up in the top where the ridge meets the roof. It has been there for some time but only leaks when the wind blows a certain direction.

Budget Adjustments:

Resolution #83

Motioned by: Robinson

Seconded by: McKnight

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby authorize the bookkeeper to make the following budget adjustments:

Increase 1010.4A Town Board Contractual by \$7,485.51 from 9740A Capital Notes to reflect the Appraisal done on the River Road lots.

Increase 1420.4 Town Attorney Contractual by \$3000 from 1910.4 Unallocated Insurance to reflect payment to attorney from 2011 & 2012.

Increase 1680.4A Automation by \$4162.50 to reflect rebate check received from purchase of new printers.

Increase 1680.4A Automation by \$1,835.67 from 1620.4A Buildings contractual.

Increase 6989 Other Econ Oppty by \$5,526.83 from 9740A Capital Notes

Increase 8810.4A Parks & Cemeteries Contractual by \$12,940.95 to reflect payment from NYPA for maintenance.

Increase 9730A Bond Anticipation Notes by \$6,542.42 from 9740A Capital Notes.

Increase 5130.4DA Machinery contractual by \$3,284.20 from 5130.41DA Fuel/Gas

Increase 5110.1DB General Repairs-Personal Srvc by \$555.48 from 9030.8DB Social Security

Increase 9060.8DB Hospital & Medical Insurance by \$528.48 from 9070.8DB Uniforms

Increase 7012.1 JR Concession Stand Contractual by \$527.87 from 7310.1JR Youth Programs Personal Service

Increase 7180.4JR Beach Contractual by \$1354.30 from 7180.1JR Beach Personal Servc.

Increase 7310.3JR Ballet by \$200 from 7310.1JR Youth Programs Personal Service

Increase 7410.46L Off & Library Supplies by \$500 from 7410.43L Utilities.

Increase 7410.44L Mileage by \$230 from 7410.4L Books

Increase 7410.205L Videos by \$40 from 7410.4L Books

Increase 7410.42L Supplies & Repairs by \$130 from 7410.4L Books

Increase 7410.41L Periodicals by \$100 from 7410.4L Books Ayes: All

Bills: A motion was made by Scott, seconded by McKnight to pay bills # 959 – 1040 in the amount of \$51,953.11. Ayes: All

Adjournment: A motion was made by Robinson, seconded by Putney to adjourn the meeting @ 8:05PM. Ayes: All

Respectfully submitted,

Carol A. Burns, Town Clerk