

Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Waddington Town Board was held on Monday, May 12, 2014 @ 7PM in the Municipal Building.

Present were: Supervisor Sandra Wright and Councilmembers: Travis McKnight, Shirley Robinson, Patricia VanPatten, and Shaun Prentice.

Also Present: Carol A. Burns, Sandra Fuller, Diane Kerr, Ken Tynan, Jane Layo, Dave Bishop, Bishop Construction, Mark Scott, and David Putney.

Call to order: Supv. Wright called the meeting to order at 7PM.

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

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Citizen's Comments: Diane Kerr and Sandra Fuller addressed the Board looking for help to resolve a dog issue with a neighbor who is violating the local Dog Law #2- Section 5 which states a dog owner will not allow his dog to engage in habitual barking. The neighbor has a training pen for dogs and they bark non-stop. They have been in court for this prior and the Justice limited his training to the hours of 8-1. He has not stuck with this schedule. They have become very frustrated and are not sure of their next step. The last case was dismissed in court. Supv. Wright stated that she feels for them in their situation but the Town has the law on the books. They must start the process over by submitting their complaint, the dog control officer will issue the tickets and send it to court. It is then in the justice hands to enforce the law. They thanked the Board for their time and will begin the process.

Cemetery Driveway: The legal notice was read by the Town Clerk. The requirements were to install a driveway in the New Brookside Cemetery and to bank the new roadways that were installed in Old Brookside last fall. There was one bid submitted by Bishop Construction. The total bid was \$13,750. C. McKnight asked Dave if he had broken the bid into two separate bids. Dave stated that the New Brookside Driveway is \$4750 and the backfill of the roads in Old Brookside is \$13,750. He also stated that the Old Brookside project is very labor intensive. C. McKnight stated that he would like to see the New Brookside Driveway done but would like to use money from the fund to straighten stones in other cemeteries. Discussion was held and the following resolution passed.

Resolution #43

Motioned by: McKnight

Seconded by: Robinson

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby award the New Brookside Cemetery Driveway project to Bishop Construction in the amount of \$4750.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board will not do the Old Brookside road bank project at this time. Ayes: All

Municipal Insurance: Supv. Wright stated that she had requested quotes for the Municipal General Insurance from the following insurance agencies: Rose & Kiernan, Potsdam, Haylor, Fryer & Coon, Watertown, Fuller Insurance Agency, Carthage, and Harrison Rogers Agency, Norfolk. Rose Kiernan did not follow through with a quote, Haylor Fryer & Coon stated that they decided not to submit a quote. There was one quote from Fuller Insurance Agency and Harrison Rogers Agency.

Mike Gillette, Fuller Agency was in attendance to present his quote. Harrison Rogers was unable to be at the meeting but had submitted. Questions were asked and answered with the following results for bids:

Fuller: Trident Insurance Company- \$19,155.51 & \$19,080.51 w/o identity theft protection

Harrison Rogers: Selective Insurance Company- \$19,423 & 19,123 w/o terrorism

NYMIR- \$20.056

Fuller's quote did not include terrorism, Harrison Rogers did so to make them apples to apples the Town needed to deduct \$300 for terrorism. The Board noted that there was less than \$100 difference between the two companies. Harrison Rogers is the Town's current insurance agent. Further discussion ensued and the following resolution passed.

Resolution #44

Motioned by: VanPatten

Seconded by: McKnight

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby award the Town's general municipal insurance to Harrison Rogers Agency, Norfolk in the amount of \$19,123.00 Ayes: All

Committee Reports

Library: C. Robinson reported that Edith received a book donation from NCLS, (Where to watch the wild life). She entered a sweepstakes and won the book "Pigeon Needs a Bath". They had 46 people at the Easter Egg Hunt. There were 78 people that attended the Reptile Show. The meeting room policy was tabled. In April 2,376 people used the library. The next meeting will be June 3rd.

Rescue Squad: Supv. Wright reported that this week is National EMS week. They will be participating in a mock drill at the MW School. Their annual banquet will be on June 14th @ the Lobster House. They are having some problems with their radios. This seems to be an ongoing process.

C. Prentice looked at the breakdowns of the Rescue Squad's electric bills and stated that there is nothing that really jumps out about their bills. They are actually getting their electricity from a third party provider and are getting really good rates. He suggested that they look at more efficient ways to lower their bills such as new lights, ballasts, motion detectors in rooms etc.

Recreation: C. VanPatten reported that the Recreation Committee will meet on the 4th Wednesday of this month. They will be discussing the summer reading program, swim, and morning rec program.

Tourism: The Board discussed an electronic booklet for the Town of Waddington based on the Town of Clayton's website. This could be something that will help Waddington promote its tourism and business opportunities. C. Prentice also noted that the Town's website should be listed on the bottom of the Welcome to Waddington signs posted at the entrances to the Village.

Cemetery: C. McKnight reported that there are a lot of stones tipped in the Town's cemeteries. The Scotch Cemetery on the Buck Rd is currently the worst of them. He would like to get estimates for repair from Witherbee & Whalen and another company that does this type of work out of Massena. The Board noted that he could do this.

Campground: C. McKnight reported that the committee has finally come up with some numbers for the campground. Leishman Park Phase 1 will consist of 18 RV sites (12 pull through and six waterfront) with water, sewer, electric, wi-fi, and CATV; and 4 unit uni-sex bathhouse (individual toilet, sink and shower); well house; and mechanical building.

Description	Estimated Cost
Water distribution system	25,000
Sanitary Sewer system	55,000
Electrical Distribution System	70,000
Communications and CATV	10,000
Site Lighting	15,000
Site Work	220,000
Bathhouse	150,000
Engineering	20,000
10% Contingency	<u>56,500</u>
Total estimated cost	611,500

C. McKnight stated that Mike O'Neil from Lisbon campground was in attendance of the meeting and stated that the Town's plan is a good one. Now that the committee has come up with plans and cost estimates the town can begin looking for grants and funding. Mark Scott noted that the Board should contact Addie Russell's office to ask about member item money for electric.

Highway:

Supt Dalton reported that the gravel roads have been graded and fresh crusher run has been spread and rolled. 3 tons of magnesium chloride flakes have been spread to keep the dust down for the summer. One of the culverts on Coles Creek Rd near Sandy Beach had been plugged by the beavers. That has been cleared. A large culvert on the Old River Rd has had some beaver issues which they are taking care of. Potholes have been patched on several town roads. They had one grave opening and while they were at the cemetery the fall burial sites were cleaned up and seeded. They spent one day, one man, and one truck hauling brush with the Village. On April 24th the Highway Department attended an eight-hour safety refresher for MSHA. In their spare time the plow equipment is being cleaned up from winter. Supt Dalton has a welding student from BOCES (Michael Cummings) working 2 ½ hours per day. He will be here for four weeks. He will help build a screen for loading sand on the trucks. They helped the Village install the docks.

The water has been installed at the beach. There is a leak in a hydrant between the pavilion and the camper. Supt. Dalton has contacted Bryan Bullard from NYPA. The slide on the camper has leaked again. The new seal installed was stuck to the new seal and the rubber roof became dislodged. He contacted Steve's RVs about it and was told that the Town was supposed to bring the camper back over in the fall to have the new roof put on but did not do this. He has a plan to repair it.

There is a 2010 International plow truck listed on the Municipal Bid site from the Town of Brookfield. He left a message for the Highway Superintendent but he has not returned the call yet.

Energy Working Group: C. Prentice reported that there was nothing from the Energy Working Group. There is nothing new with the solar project. The Village of Dexter will be submitting bid material soon.

WRA: Mark Scott reported that the Waddington Recorder will be published in June.

Chamber of Commerce: Jane reported that they are working with the website. They have to transfer the program to the Chamber's computer. They are updating Waddington's brochures. She and John will go to the County Chamber meeting to represent Waddington. They are looking to bring back the Farmer's Market. The Chamber has entered a contest on the WFN (world Fishing Network) If the Town wins anything they will give it the BASS committee.

Ken Tynan: River Valley Dog Gun Club: Ken Tynan spoke to the Board about the use of Whitehouse Bay area for training of their dogs. There Club is one of two Hunter Retriever Clubs in New York State. The other one is on Long Island. These clubs are professional dog retriever clubs that have the potential to be equal to the BASS Master events. The event that they wanted to have at Whitehouse Bay in June has been scheduled for elsewhere but they would like to create a relationship with the Town to be able to train on Whitehouse Bay. They have a current insurance policy to cover their events. Supv. Wright noted that the Town has a new attorney and that the club should put a proposal together for the Town. The Town will get it to the attorney for approval.

Ken also told the Board that while he was up at the Whitehouse Bay property earlier in the day there were 4- four wheel drive pickups that were buried in the mud to their frames. These vehicles have ripped up the area pretty bad. David Putney noted that the hay fields that he maintains in the area have also been damaged from this kind of behavior. They will all have to be plowed and replanted. Ken and David also confirmed that there is piles of tires and lathe and plaster just dumped there. This is something that will need to be addressed especially if the town is looking to market the area. The Board discussed this problem and will contact the Power Authority to have a gate installed with a shared key. They hate to have to do this but it

is necessary to avoid further damage. People will still be able to go there to fish etc. they will just not be able to drive all the way through. We will also contact our attorney to ask what we need to post so that we can press charges if they are caught doing damage.

Resolution #45

Motioned by: McKnight

Seconded by: VanPatten

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby agree to send a letter to Bryant Bullard, NYPA requesting the installation of a gate w/shared key to the entrance of the Whitehouse Bay Property. Ayes: All

Old Town Hall: Supt. Dalton reported that the Chamber Office, heat system, lighting, and ceilings are complete. The floors are 50% painted, approximately 3 days of trim work to be completed and then some miscellaneous touchup painting. They finish yard work around the new handicapped sidewalk has been completed and seeded. Green Machine Hydroseeding donated the excavator. Yet to be done are the mop boards in the restrooms, painting the ramp, new light bulbs installed upstairs in the auditorium chandeliers. Supt. Dalton asked the clerk to contact the Code Enforcement Officer concerning a certificate of occupancy. Roy Patraw has asked to wax the upstairs floor. Supt. Dalton noted that the floor will be fine once it has a good washing and sweeping. C. VanPatten asked if it was okay for the school kids that are having the prom to come and help clean the upstairs. The Board noted this would be fine as long as there is supervision when they are there.

Resource Center: Supv. Wright reported that she and C. McKnight had another meeting with the Resource Center. The meeting consisted of Waddington Clergy, Edie Streeter, Enda Raleigh, Joan Loomis, Arlene Martin, and Ed & Lori Sharlow. During the discussion Lori Sharlow stated that she would lower the rent to ½ price so that the center could remain there. This would be \$250 per month instead of \$500. At the April board meeting the board passed a resolution that they wouldn't pay anymore for the resource center after July 31st. They have asked to have this extended until October in order to give them more time to get their funding in order. C. McKnight told them he would have to bring it to the Board for action. He feels that this extension would be good for them to get their affairs in order. Discussion was held. A motion was made by Robinson, seconded by Prentice to stick with the original date of July 31st with the following outcome: C. McKnight: Naye, C. Robinson: Aye, C. VanPatten: Naye, C. Prentice: aye, Supv. Wright: aye

USDA Grant: Supv. Wright noted that the Town didn't meet the qualifications for the USDA grant.

BASS: Supv. Wright noted that last year the Town contributed \$1500 from the economic development fund towards the BASS tournament coming to town. She would like to do the same this year.

Resolution #46

Motioned by: Robinson

Seconded by: Prentice

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby agree to contribute \$1,500 from the economic development fund towards the BASS tournament for 2014. This will be given to the Village of Waddington. Ayes: All

Friends of the Library: The friends of the Library have requested that they be able to use the Town's ID number for their funds that they spend at the library. They will put all funds through the Town Office just like homecoming does. Bills will be paid in the same manner.

Resolution #47

Motioned by: Robinson

Seconded by: McKnight

RESOLVED, that the Friends of the Library can have their own account under the Town of Waddington. All monies will be receipted and distributed in the same manner as the Homecoming Committee. They will have their own expenditure and revenue numbers under the Library budget. Ayes: All

Citizen's Comments: Mark Scott stated that the Rescue Squad might benefit from National Grid Audit for their lighting. He also noted that the Town should be receiving another 5-10,000 from the Haggett estate for cemeteries. He also asked about the plaque for dedication. C. McKnight reported that he has chosen a plaque and will contact Paul Haggett to get his approval. He is hoping to dedicate it in July.

Jane Layo asked if the Resource Center can get a grant through the County. She also suggested that they check with meals on wheel to see how that operates.

Bills: A motion was made by Robinson, seconded by McKnight to pay bills # - in the amount of \$. Ayes: All

Adjournment: A motion was made by McKnight, seconded by Robinson to adjourn the meeting @ 10:10. Ayes: All

Respectfully submitted,

Carol A. Burns, Town Clerk