

Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Waddington Town Board was held on Monday, November 5, 2012 @ 7PM in the Municipal Building.

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

Also Present: Carol A. Burns, Town Clerk, Terry Mayette Highway Superintendent, Anthony and Nicole Zeledon, E. Jane Layo, Sandy Wright, Amanda Purcell, Ogdensburg Journal, Patty VanPatten, James Armstrong, Lisbon Town Supervisor, Mark Brouillette, Brian Hammond, Jim Thew, and John Auringer.

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 Putney, seconded by Dalton to approve the minutes as submitted. Ayes: All

Citizen's Comments: Jane Layo reported that the library donated two boxes of children's boxes that were sent to Afghanistan.

Lisbon Beach Campground: Supervisor James Armstrong was present to give a background of the Municipal owned Lisbon Campground. He told the Board that the campground is currently on phase 2 of the update plan. They are installing more sites with full hookup. The campground boasts 81 sites, 2 bathhouses, baseball, basketball, volleyball, trails, and a boat launch. The goal of the campground is to not use taxpayer money to keep it going. All money that has been put into it to date has been money from the Power Authority. Supervisor Armstrong stated that last year's profit was \$2,800. The profit margin looks much better this year because they did not purchase any new mowers or equipment. Further discussion ensued. Supv. Scott thanked Supervisor Armstrong for coming to the board meeting to answer any questions that the Town Board had.

Surplus Lands: Supv. Scott noted that after speaking with Supervisor Armstrong he would like to discuss the RFP for a concessionaire to develop and operate a campground on Leishman. Tony Zeledon stated that he had concerns that a campground on Leishman Point would bring the property values down on homes located on the River Rd. He asked that the Board consider putting the campground down beyond the gate on the River Rd. This area is more rustic and would allow elbow room for campers.

Supv. Scott stated that Attorney Johns gave the board an estimate of \$2,000 + \$125 per hour to put together an RFP to distribute. Further discussion was held.

A motion was made by Supv. Scott to issue an RFP for a concessionaire to develop and operate a recreational facility on Leishman Point. There was no second to the motion. Supv. Scott stated that he was sorry to see that there is no second and that he would inform the Garrish's that the Town will not be putting an RFP out. Supv. Scott asked the board how they would like to proceed with the campground. C. Putney stated that we should start small and see where it leads us. The Town had already advertised for technical assistance with the campground project. The award was given to Jim Thew's firm.

Resolution #75

Motioned by: Scott

Seconded by: McKnight

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby agree to continue with the construction and planning of a campground on Leishman Point;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board will get the Thew firm actively involved with community visioning meetings on the type of campground etc. that they would like to see. Money spent will come from the Leishman Point account. Ayes: All

River Road Parcels: Supv. Scott reported that he has had citizen's comments that the appraised values of the lots along River Rd are too low. He also agrees with that assessment and would like to see the Board consider putting these parcels to auction to get the best price possible. The Board noted that they had passed a resolution to give the adjacent landowners first option and that they were not going to take that away. Letters will be sent out and an answer requested of the landowners by February 1st.

Wellness Program: Supv. Scott stated that Carol Zimmerman had given a presentation at the October meeting concerning the continuation of the wellness program that was started last year. He would like to continue this year. He stated that with the high deductible health plan the healthier the employees are the more money that is saved.

Resolution # 76

Motioned by: Scott

Seconded by: Dalton

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby agree to continue in the Healthy Initiative Program with a cost of \$1250 for 2013. Ayes: All

Budget Public Hearing:

The public hearing was opened @ 8:30PM. Supv. Scott reported that there needed to be a change in the figure budgeted for health insurance in the general account. The correct figure needed to increase by \$5,000 to \$29,672 and insert a line item for the wellness program adding \$1250. The Board discussed the Court Clerk salary.

Resolution #77

Motioned by: Putney

Seconded by: McKnight

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board proposes to pay the Court Clerk a salary of \$10,500.

Ayes: Putney, Dalton, Robinson, and McKnight

Naye: Scott

With the resolution passing Supv. Scott stated that the difference in the changes totaled \$8,426. He proposed taking it from the Automation line item. He stated that he had increased that line item to look into new software. It is not something that needed to be done at that time.

C. Putney asked if the figures in the highway department included a part time employee. Supv. Scott stated that there was enough to cover one. C. Putney stated that he spoke with the union about a part time person. The Town can do one of two things. Hire someone part time that can work 20 hours per week or hire a seasonal employee. This employee could work 40 hours but only for a specific time period. Example November/April for winter maintenance or May/October for summer maintenance. The Board discussed this and noted that they would hire a seasonal employee for the months of November/April. This person will be called as needed.

Supv. Scott asked if there were any citizen's comments on the proposed 2013 budget. Jane noted that the Town is paying the library \$64,000 and that their revenues have gone down. She feels that they need to be looking into finding more revenues to offset their expenses.

Resolution #78

Motioned by: Scott

Seconded by: McKnight

WHEREAS, the Waddington Town Board has met at the time and place specified in the public notice on the preliminary budget and heard all persons desiring to be heard thereon;
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the preliminary budget as revised is hereby adopted as the annual budget for this town beginning January 1, 2013. Such budget as so adopted will be entered in detail or physically placed therein the minute proceedings of the Town board and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk of this Town shall prepare a certified copy to the Clerk of the County Board of Legislators.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Committee Reports:

Library: C. Robinson reported that the library will meet tomorrow night. She asked about the snow guards. Supv. Scott noted that RSI is waiting for parts but they will be installed before snowfalls.

Recreation: C. McKnight reported that there was no meeting held. They will meet in November.

Rescue Squad: C. Dalton reported that the Rescue Squad is meeting tonight. He noted that three weeks ago he was invited by the Squad to attend a training session with the Ogdensburg Fire Department and Lisbon Rescue Squad for training with the air support helicopter out of Potsdam. The company that operates the helicopter is out of Colorado. It is an EC135 helicopter in which they load the patients from the rear of the copter. The company will be working with the various squads to identify landing places in the different townships. The copter needs 100 sq. ft of landing space.

The Squad has one new member who passed their first responder test. An associate member who is an EMT has moved back into the area. Two members were in Syracuse taking a seminar to maintain their EMT status. The training required is very time consuming. Two squad members attended the wellness clinic at the fitness center this past Saturday.

Highway: C. Putney reported that the department had been hauling sand. They had to stop this week until the salt comes in at the port. They installed 23 storm windows on the library and have been doing maintenance on equipment. The Power Authority will be sending their used equipment to an auction in Rome on November 17th.

Chamber of Commerce: Jane reported that they are working on the welcome to Waddington package for newcomers to the area. She is working on pre-advertisements for Christmas. The Chamber's annual dinner will be held on Tuesday. They have 27 signed up to date.

WRA: They are accepting articles for the next recorder.

Task Force: Supv. Scott reported that the Task Force has hired a new law firm to represent them during the license reopener with the Power Authority. They are working on different phases of the process. Phase 1: look over contract- see what items should have been done- see what things that have been done that need improvements- add what items the towns feel need to be included. Phase 2: discuss strategy. Phase 3: Negotiate. They have \$15,000 allocated to date. There will be a meeting on November 28th @ 7PM at Hawkins Point to discuss the deficiencies in some of the facilities.

C. McKnight asked if there had been any information about the Town's road study. Nothing to date.

New Business:

Sales Tax: Supv. Scott stated that he attended a joint Supervisor/Mayor's Association meeting to discuss support of a sales tax increase by the County. They have asked that the Towns/Villages pass resolutions of support. There were no motions made in favor of this.

Office Equipment: The Clerk reported that there is a program through NYSEDA for small governments that will rebate 75% of the purchase of new energy efficient office equipment. She noted that the copier, printer, and fax are all upwards of 10+ years old. She received quotes from three firms for new office equipment.

Advanced Business Systems, Watertown: Kyocera Mita FS-C2626MFP-
prints/copies/scans/faxes in color and black & white. \$2775.00
Cost to Town after rebate: \$695.75

Sullivan's Office Supply, Massena: Canon IR C 2030 Color copier \$4250. Does not include fax or
cabinet add \$564. Total cost to town after rebate: \$1626.50

Weldon Computers, Gouverneur: Brother MFC-9970CDW Color Laser all-in-one printer.
\$999.99 installed.

Discussion was held. Jane asked if it were possible for the Town to purchase one of the
machines for the Chamber's use. They need a new machine and the opportunity would be
perfect. She would check with the Chamber Board tomorrow to see if they were interested.
The Board noted that they could do that if she lets them know tomorrow so the clerk can get
the order in.

Resolution #79

Motioned by: Putney

Seconded by: McKnight

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby authorize the Town Clerk to
purchase a Kyocera Mita FS-C2626MFP printer/copier/scanner/fax machine in the amount of
\$2775;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk will apply for the rebate through the NYSERDA program.

Veteran's Ceremony: There will be a veteran's ceremony on November 11th @ 11AM @ the
veteran's memorial park. The community is invited back to the legion for a meal. It is asked
that they bring a dish to pass.

Citizen's Comments: There were no comments.

Bills: A motion was made by Dalton, seconded by Putney to pay bills #882 -946 in the amount
of \$50,898.19. Ayes: All

Adjournment: A motion was made by Dalton, seconded by McKnight to adjourn the meeting @
9:50PM. Ayes: All

Respectfully submitted,

Carol A. Burns, Town Clerk