

TOWN OF BETHANY

SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING

04 DECEMBER 2006

Supervisor Gayton opened the December 4, 2006 Special Town Board meeting at 7:30 p.m. with a moment of silence followed by Councilman Gick leading in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Town Officials in Attendance were:

Louis Gayton, Supervisor	Joyce Fleming, Councilwoman
Walter Wenhold, Councilman	Bill Gick, Councilman
Sue Neer, Councilwoman	Tom McBride, Town Justice
Bill Shea, Town Justice	

Attendees to the meeting were:

Barb Czworka	Ramon Cipriano
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OLD BUSINESS

Comprehensive Plan – Update

Town Attorney, David DiMatteo, is checking into which SEQR form, if any needs to be completed.

Should have an answer by the regular board meeting on December 11, 2006.

Board reviewed copy of comprehensive plan referred by the Town Planning Board.

Agreed that wording suggested by the attorney concerning co-uses within agricultural districts that complement and enhance the land usage should be added.

Also discussed several housekeeping changes (i.e. punctuation, grammar, etc.)

Teamsters Union Contract

Discussed proposal received from the Teamsters Union.

Main sticking point is payment of insurance.

Employees are not willing to pay 5%.

Board feels that they have not had enough time to review insurance offered by the Union and therefore are not comfortable making a switch at this time.

Decided to offer a one year contract with 3.5% wage increase, 5 additional sick days, and health insurance paid in full.

This was proposed by the Union in a letter dated October 11, 2006.

Waste Management Contract – Renewal

Three year contract with no price increase.

Supervisor Gayton noted that the contract includes a clause stating that invoices must be paid within 10 days.

This is impossible since the bills must go through the warrant at the Regular Town Board meetings.

This clause was crossed out and the contract will be accompanied by a letter of explanation from Supervisor Gayton.

A motion was made by Councilman Gick and seconded by Councilwoman Neer to renew the contract with Waste Management for a period of three years with no price increase

and the deletion of the clause stating that invoices must be paid within ten (10) days. The motion passed with the following Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Gayton – Yes	Councilwoman Fleming – Yes
Councilman Wenhold – Yes	Councilman Gick – Yes
Councilwoman Neer - Yes	

Resolution #24-2006 Addition of Line Item A.1420.41 Attorney Contractual for Prosecution of Court Cases

This line needs to be added to the budget in case the Town should need to hire a prosecutor for court cases that can no longer be plea bargained by the State Troopers. No money was allotted in the 2007 Budget for this line but the addition of the line allows for the transfer of funds should they be needed.

A motion was made by Councilman Wenhold and seconded by Councilwoman Neer to approve Resolution #24-2006 Addition of Line Item A.1420.41 Attorney Contractual for Prosecution of Court Cases. The motion passed with the following Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Gayton – Yes	Councilwoman Fleming – Yes
Councilman Wenhold – Yes	Councilman Gick – Yes
Councilwoman Neer – Yes	

Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilwoman Neer and seconded by Councilman Wenhold to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. The motion passed with All In Favor.

BY ORDER OF THE  
BETHANY TOWN BOARD  
DATED: December 6, 2006

Respectfully Submitted,  
Debbie L. Douglas  
Bethany Town Clerk