

TOWN OF BETHANY

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

09 APRIL 2007

Supervisor Gayton opened the April 9th, 2007 Regular 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	William Gick, Councilman
Roy Hersee, Highway Superintendent	Susan Neer, Councilwoman

Attendees to the Meeting were:

Jeff Fluker	Edward Pietrzykowski
Jim Phillips	Ramon Cipriano

FINANCES

Supervisor Gayton presented the finances for the month of March 2007.

Town Clerk Report – Debbie Douglas

Presented the minutes of the March 12, 2007 Regular Town Board Meeting.

A motion was made by Councilman Wenhold and seconded by Councilwoman Fleming to approve the Minutes of the March 12, 2007 Regular Town Board Meeting as presented. The motion passed with All In Favor.

The Intercommunity Medical Building contract is due for renewal.

Joyce Fleming will continue to be the Town's representative to the board.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Neer and seconded by Councilman Gick to renew the contract with Intercommunity Medical Building, Inc. for a term beginning January 1, 2007 and ending December 31, 2007. The motion passed with All In Favor.

Town Clerk will be on vacation from April 11, 2007 thru April 24, 2007.

The Deputy Clerk will have office hours on Wednesdays, April 11th and 18th and Saturdays, April 14th and 21st.

Highway Superintendent Report – Roy Hersee

Completed 4 sanding and 7 plowing and sanding passes in the month of March along with having to push back snow banks with 1208.

The hard rain caused two washouts, one at Smith and Mill Roads and one on Jerico Road.

Highway Department has been busy patching pot holes and cleaning ditches and catch basins.

The snow fence has been taken down.

Caledonia Diesel has finally started working on Truck 1201.

Highway Superintendent has requested permission to travel to the annual Cornell Highway Superintendent School.

A motion was made by Councilman Gick and seconded by Councilwoman Neer to approve Highway Superintendent Hersee's request to travel to the Annual Cornell Highway School. The motion passed with All In Favor.

Justice Report

Supervisor Gayton reported that the court inspection has begun with an inspection of the paperwork used by the justices. They are doing everything correctly.

Board Committee Reports

Bill Gick – Old Town Hall

Met at the Old Town Hall on Saturday, April 7, 2007 with Councilman Wenhold, Geoff Briggs, Dan Barber, and Dave Carli.

They did a walk through of the building and will be trying to organize a group to work on preserving the building.

OLD BUSINESS

Comprehensive Plan & GEIS

Comprehensive Plan and GEIS are ready for the public hearing to be held on Monday, April, 23, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.

Community Center – Window & Siding

CEO Douglas has prepared specifications for new windows and siding for the Community Center. Town Board to review for discussion at next regular Board meeting.

Vacancies – Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals & Court Bailiff

Two letters of interest were received one for the Planning Board from Jeff Fluker and one for the Court Bailiff position from Christopher Hausfelder.

A motion was made by Councilman Wenhold and seconded by Councilwoman Fleming to appoint Jeffrey Fluker to the Planning Board. The motion passed with All In Favor.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Neer and seconded by Councilman Wenhold to appoint Christopher Hausfelder as Court Bailiff. The motion passed with All In Favor.

Hall Use Agreement with Fire Department

An agreement has been reached between the Town Supervisor and the Fire Department President concerning the rules of use of the Community Center.

Wind Energy

Printing of Wind Turbine Committee Reports

Estimates were received from three printing companies with the lowest being \$2,039.00 for the printing of 600 copies of each report.

Will start with a printing of 400 copies as the reports are also available on the Town's website. More will be printed if needed.

Supervisor Gayton asked permission to spend up to \$2,039.00 for printing as needed.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Neer and seconded by Councilman Gick to approve spending up to \$2,039.00 to print the Wind Turbine Committee Reports as necessary. The motion passed with All In Favor.

Survey

Draft of survey was received from Town Attorney David DiMatteo.

Survey will be numbered.

Add lines which should be filled in with name and address.

Residents and non-resident landowners within the Town of Bethany 18 years old and older are eligible to fill out a survey.

Directions and return date should be added to the form.

Supervisor Gayton will work on drafting a cover letter to accompany the survey.

Open House

Open House for residents and non-resident landowners.

Copies of Wind Turbine Committee Reports will be available.

Town Board, Planning Board, Wind Turbine Committee and UPC Wind will be in attendance to answer questions.

Open House should be approximately three hours long.

Training for Planning Board and ZBA

Genesee County Planning has started offering training for the Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Both Boards were notified of the training by the Town Clerk.

NEW BUSINESS

Travel Request – Supervisor & Town Clerk

Requesting permission to travel to the Southern Tier Local Government Workshop being held at Houghton College in Houghton, NY on May 9th, 2007.

A motion was made by Councilman Wenhold and seconded by Councilman Gick to approve the travel request of the Supervisor and Town Clerk to travel to the Southern Tier Local Government Workshop in Houghton, NY on May 9th, 2007. The motion passed with All In Favor.

Overhead Doors at Old Fire Hall – Replacement

The overhead doors at the old fire hall need replacement. They have become a safety issue.

Highway Superintendent Hersee received two estimates.

Batavia Garage Door	\$1,910.00
Woodruff Overhead Door	\$2,360.00

A motion was made by Councilman Wenhold and seconded by Councilman Gick to have Woodruff Overhead Door install the new overhead doors in the old fire hall as there was a question concerning prompt service by Batavia Garage Door and Woodruff Overhead Door already works on the doors at the Highway Department and the Fire Department with good results. The motion passed with All In Favor.

Tax Incentives of Volunteers

Survey was received from the National Association of Towns regarding tax incentives for volunteers.

Town Clerk to fill out and return.

Fire Department Annual Report

Annual report was received from Fire Department President Jim Phillips.

Board will review for next meeting.

Warrant

The Town Board approved the payment of bills as follows:

	Prepaid	Total
General Fund	\$2,353.63	\$28,860.02
Highway Fund	\$2,918.46	\$30,939.38

Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilman Gick and seconded by Councilwoman Neer to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. The motion passed with All In Favor.

BY ORDER OF THE
BETHANY TOWN BOARD
DATED: April 19, 2007

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie L. Douglas
Bethany Town Clerk