

TOWN OF BETHANY

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

09 JULY 2007

Supervisor Gayton opened the July 9, 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:

Louie Gayton, Supervisor                      Joyce Fleming, Councilwoman  
Walter Wenhold, Councilman                      William Gick, Councilman  
Roy Hersee, Highway Superintendent

Absentees:

Susan Neer, Councilwoman

Attendees to the meeting were:

Lee Hendershott                                      Ray Ladd  
Dave Mullin    Wade Ewell

Finances

Supervisor Gayton submitted the finances for June 2007 as follows:

General Savings	\$578,675.21	
WCB Savings	\$ 18,115.71	
Highway Savings	\$110,196.89	
Capital Project Highway	\$ 28,229.43	
AP/PR-T/A Account	\$ 1,975.65	
Petty Cash	\$ 250.00	
Highway Fund Misc. Savings	\$ 2,965.52	
Total		\$740,408.41

Revenues Received

Town Clerk Revenues	\$ 1,741.97	
US Gypsum	\$ 20.63	
NYS Dept. of Tax. – Justices	\$ 1,427.50	
Norma Bower, Tax Collector	\$ 64.97	
Tom McBride	\$ 4.00	
Verizon Wireless – Rebate	\$ 50.00	
NY Municipal Ins. (Truck Damage)	\$ 21,243.76	
Total Revenue		\$ 24,552.83
Total Interest & Revenue		\$ 26,746.11

Highway Superintendent Report – Roy Hersee

Road patching on the west side of town is complete and the Highway Department will continue with the east.

Road shoulder mowing continues.

Helped the Town of Batavia pave and the Town of Alexander seal roads.

Several culvert pipes will be replaced this month.

Received call from Caledonia Diesel stating that truck 1201 is now complete.

## Board Committee Reports

Walter Wenhold

Local libraries are now fully computerized and your library card is now accepted at all library locations.

Meals on Wheels is operating; however, there is need for improvement, which is being addressed.

The Genesee County Office of Aging has a packet of information available for residents that are 60+ years of age.

## NEW BUSINESS

### Resignation of Helen Milroy, Town Historian

Resignation was accepted with regret from the Town Historian Helen Milroy.

### Appointment of New Town Historian

Mr. Lee Hendershott was recommended as a replacement for former Town Historian Helen Milroy.

Motion was made by Councilman Wenhold and seconded by Councilman Gick to appoint Lee Hendershott to the position of Town Historian. Motion passed with All In Favor.

## OLD BUSINESS

### SUP0702 – Dave Mullin – Pond – Public Hearing

Supervisor Gayton opened the public hearing at 8:00 p.m.

Genesee County Planning Board has recommended approval along with the Town Planning Board.

Supervisor Gayton closed the public hearing at 8:15 p.m. with no one from the public speaking.

Motion was made by Councilman Gick and seconded by Councilwoman Fleming to grant approval of SUP0702. Motion passed with All In Favor.

### Old Town Hall

Draft of letter to the State Legislator is complete stating the need for structure update, i.e.: roof, siding, etc.

Declaration for historical place is in the works.

Agway has condemned the furnace.

Suggested future uses for the Old Town Hall include space for the Town Justices. This suggestion is based mostly due to expectations of new rules and regulations for courts such as chairs needing to be fastened to the floor, etc.

Office space for the Town Historian is also a suggestion.

### Siding & Window Bids

Low bids were received from Window Specialists, Inc. for \$6,888.00 and Erie Contracting for \$19,830.00.

All contractors that submitted bids will be notified of the results.

Winning bidders need to supply insurance documentation for approval & meet all specifications.

Prevailing wages apply, which adds to the cost factor.

Motion was made by Councilman Gick and seconded by Councilman Wenhold to award the contract for the windows to the lowest bidder, Window Specialists of Lancaster, NY with the submission of the above referenced insurance certificates. The motion passed with All in Favor.

Motion was made by Councilman Wenhold and seconded by Councilman Gick to accept the lowest bid for siding submitted by Erie Contracting of Lancaster, NY with the submission of the above referenced insurance certificates. The motion passed with All In Favor.

### Wind Turbine Survey

459 total rate of return (34%) out of 1,390 sent out.

Response to question #1 allowing personal use wind turbines

320 for                      139 against.  
 Response to question #2 regarding allowing commercial use wind turbines  
 184 for                      274 against.  
 - Total percentage 39% for and 60% against.

Motion was made by Supervisor Gayton and seconded by Councilman Gick to ban commercial wind turbines. The motion passed with the following Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Gayton - Yes                      Councilwoman Fleming – No  
 Councilman Wenhold - Yes                      Councilman Gick – Yes

Resolution #9-2007 – Banning Commercial Wind Energy Conversion Systems and Scheduling Date of Work Session to Work on Local Law  
 Resolution was read by Deputy Town Clerk Cynthia Schafer.

Motion was made by Councilman Wenhold and seconded by Councilman Gick to accept Resolution #9-2007 Banning commercial Wind Energy Conversion Systems and Scheduling Town Board Work Session to work on Wind Energy Regulations for 7:00 p.m. on Monday July 23, 2004. Motion passed with the following Roll Call Vote:

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

Code of Ethics – Fire Department  
 Fire Department President Jim Phillips informed the Town Board that new regulations for fire departments require a Code of Ethics.  
 After review and verification by the attorney for the fire department, a Code of Ethics was adopted.

Warrant

The Town Board approved payment of bills as follows:

	Prepaid	Total
Highway Fund	\$2,877.45	\$17,646.99
General Fund	\$1,994.17	\$ 6,784.30

Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilman Wenhold and seconded by Councilman Gick to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. The motion passed with All In Favor.

BY ORDER OF THE  
 BETHANY TOWN BOARD  
 DATED: July 16, 2007

Respectfully submitted,  
  
 Cynthia Schafer  
 Deputy Town Clerk