

TOWN OF BETHANY

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

9 OCTOBER 2007

Supervisor Gayton opened the Regular meeting of the Bethany Town Board at 7:35 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
Roy Hersee, Highway Superintendent	

Board Members Absent were:

Sue Neer, Councilwoman

Attendees to the Meeting were:

David DiMatteo, Town Attorney	Bill Baskin
Ray Ladd	

FINANCES

Supervisor Gayton presented the finances for the month of September as follows:

General Savings	\$548,721.68	
WCB Savings	\$ 18,135.59	
Highway Savings	\$110,198.99	
Capital Project Highway	\$ 28,268.86	
AP/PR Account	\$ 3,581.58	
T/A Account	\$ 349.72	
Petty Cash	\$ 250.00	
Highway Fund Misc. Savings	\$ 2,968.99	
Total		\$712,475.41
Revenues Received		
Town Clerk Fees	\$ 1,548.01	
US Gypsum	\$ 21.88	
NYS Department of Taxation	\$ 735.00	
NYS Department of Taxation	\$ 18,750.00	
County of Genesee	\$ 7,615.61	
Roy Hersee	\$ 4.00	
Total Revenue		\$ 28,674.50
Total Revenue & Interest		\$ 30,597.18

Town Clerk Report – Debbie Douglas

Presented Minutes of September 10, 2007 Regular Town Board Meeting.

A motion was made by Councilman Gick and seconded by Councilman Wenhold to accept the Minutes of the September 10, 2007 Regular Town Board Meeting as presented. The motion passed with All In Favor.

Reported that representatives from Americans with Disabilities came to inspect the hall for accessibility and it passed with flying colors – they were very impressed.

The contract with our web host expires at the end of October. There have been ongoing problems with this host. Our web site designer has found a new one that they are comfortable with. The cost will be approximately \$20 – 25 more but well worth it to avoid the problems.

The Genesee County Town Clerks Association will be meeting in Bethany on Tuesday, October 16, 2007.

Clerk attended the Regional Town Clerks Conference and Training Seminar on September 24.

Very informative. Speakers were present from NYS Racing & Wagering and NYS Department of Health.

Highway Superintendent Report – Roy Hersee

Road shoulder mowing continues.

Grader patching has been completed for 2007

Transit Road and County Home Hill have been chip sealed.

Extra stone has been broomed from Smith, Mill, Silver and West Bethany Roads.

A layer of millings has been added to the east end of Dublin Road and plan to add more to help control the dust.

Some ditching has been done on Paul Road.

Employees attended a chain saw safety training class.

DA.5110.4 account will be approximately \$4,500 over budget and DA.5130.4 will need more money. Two trucks need to be inspected and two sanders will need repair. Working on how to move money.

Board Committee Reports

William Gick – Councilman

Noted that a seminar concerning Zoning & Agriculture will be held on Thursday, October 25, 2007 at County Building #2.

Fall 2007 Local Government Workshop will be held in Mt. Morris on Friday, November 16, 2007.

Town Clerk will make reservations for any interested parties if they like.

Genesee County Water Quality Coordinating Committee will be meeting.

Walter Wenhold – Councilman

Senior Meals are going well.

Pavilion Public Library will be holding a Book Sale and Bake Sale on October 19 & 20. There will be an open house on November 3, 2007.

## OLD BUSINESS

Old Town Hall Update

The committee is currently working on an inventory of structures in town.

Will be having another meeting soon.

Believe they have enough people on the committee for the Certified Government Historical Program. Dave Carli has agreed to be on the committee providing them with an architect.

Public Hearing – Baskin – SUP0704

Supervisor Gayton opened the Public Hearing at 8:00 p.m. and closed it at 8:20 p.m. with no one present to speak.

Window Contract

A letter was sent to Window Specialists informing them that the Town would not accept the Kasson & Keller window as a substitute.

Window Specialists was given the option of installing the Acan window as specified in the bid documents or forfeiting the contract.

Mark Nowak, President of Window Specialists sent an email stating that he would be meeting with a representative from Acan on Tuesday, October 9th and would have a decision for the Town by the end of the week.

Gutter Repair

The gutter on the west side of the Community Center has come loose.

An estimate was sought from Erie Contracting as they could do the repair as they were installing the siding.

The estimated the cost of the repair to be \$325.

A motion was made by councilman Wenhold and seconded by Councilman Gick to approve the estimate of \$325 to repair the gutter on the west side of the Community Center which was submitted by Erie Contracting. The motion passed with All In Favor.

Ambulance Contract Update

Supervisor Gayton attended a meeting including Town Supervisors from Genesee County and Tim Yeager, Genesee County EMS Coordinator.

Discussion of a need for an equitable agreement for towns who have their own ambulance service.

Water District

Should receive the paperwork next week to set up a water district on Batavia-Bethany Townline Road.

There is also a possibility that a water district could be set up on Fargo Road as the Town of Stafford is bringing water to this area.

Putnam Road Cemetery – Driveway

Town Attorney David DiMatteo will send a letter to Ken Lowell and Johan Bakker indicating that the Town is willing to help with equipment and manpower; however he wants to make sure that everyone involved has a clear picture of what the process will entail and how much land will be disturbed.

The Town should also have a legal description of the right-of-way to include the width and location. The Town will pay for any legal fees incurred in obtaining the description.

Local Zoning Law Amendments

Town Board completed Appendix A of SEQR – Full Environmental Assessment Form.

Town Board will use a work session on Monday, October 15, 2007 to review the changes submitted by the Town Planning Board per Resolution #14-2007 Referring a Draft of Proposed Amendments to the Bethany Town Board which was passed at their Regular Meeting on Thursday, October 4, 2007.

A motion was made by Councilman Wenhold and seconded by Councilman Gick to pass Resolution #15-2007 Setting Public Hearing To Consider Proposed Amendments to the Zoning Law of the Town of Bethany on Monday November 12, 2007 at 8:00 p.m. at the Bethany Community Center. The motion passed with the following Roll Call Vote:

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

2008 Budget

A work session will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, October 15, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

John Sanders – Resignation – ZBA

John Sanders has submitted his resignation from the Zoning Board of Appeals stating time constraints.

A motion was made by Councilman Wenhold and seconded by Councilman Gick to reluctantly accept the resignation of John Sanders from the Zoning Board of Appeals. The Board expressed their thanks for Mr. Sanders’ many years of service. The motion passed with All In Favor.

Warrant

The Board approved payment of the following bills:

	Prepaid	Total
General Fund	\$ 2,372.72	\$ 6,300.94
Highway Fund	\$ 2,897.97	\$94,843.36

Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilman Gick and seconded by Councilman Wenhold to adjourn the meeting at 9:03 p.m. The motion passed with All In Favor.

BY ORDER OF THE  
BETHANY TOWN BOARD  
DATED: October 15, 2007

Respectfully Submitted

Debbie L. Douglas  
Bethany Town Clerk