

TOWN OF BETHANY

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

11 FEBRUARY 2013

Supervisor Gayton opened the February 11, 2013 Regular Town Board Meeting at 7:00 p. m.

Town Officials in Attendance were:

Louis Gayton, Supervisor	Bill Gick, Councilman
Walter Wenhold, Councilman	Susan Neer, Councilwoman
Edward Pietrzykowski, Councilman	Debbie Douglas, Town Clerk
Bill Shea, Town Justice	Linda Schmidt, Town Historian

Town Officials Absent were:

Paul Fleming, Highway Superintendent

Attendees to the Meeting were:

Ashlee Wolf	Barb Czworka
Carl Hyde	Don Schmidt
Dan Adams	Jim Phillips
Bob Puleo	Patti Puleo
Gail Smith, BVFD	Ramon Cipriano
Tom Foss	Pat Pietrzykowski

Finances

Supervisor Gayton presented the finances for January 2013.

General Savings	\$1,004,310.24
915 Savings	\$ 295,473.76
Highway Savings	\$ 25,905.94
Highway Fund Misc. Savings	\$ 859.27
Capital Project Highway	\$ 16,215.43
AP/PR Account	\$ 25,053.04
Trust & Agency Account	\$ 4,300.87
Petty Cash	\$ 250.00
Total	\$ 1,372,368.55

Revenues Received

Debbie Douglas, Town Clerk	\$ 1,680.14
Debbie Douglas, Tax Collector	\$ 250,094.20
Debbie Douglas, Tax Collector	\$ 147,341.28
NYSERDA Rebate - Copier	\$ 2,996.35
Preferred Mutual Ins - Plow Acc.	\$ 1,760.73

Total Revenue	\$ 403,672.70
Total Revenue & Interest	\$ 403,812.30

Town Clerk Report - Debbie Douglas

- Presented the Minutes of the January 14, 2013 Organizational Town Board meeting.

A motion was made by Councilman Wenhold and seconded by Councilwoman Neer to approve the Minutes of the January 14, 2013 Organizational Town Board meeting as presented. The motion passed with All In Favor.

- Presented the Minutes of the January 14, 2013 Regular Town Board Meeting.

A motion was made by Councilman Gick and seconded by Councilman Pietrzykowski to approve the Minutes of the January 14, 2013 Regular Town Board Meeting. The motion passed with All In Favor.

- Presented the Minutes of the January 28, 2013 Special Town Board Meeting.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Neer and seconded by Councilman Gick to approve the Minutes of the January 28, 2013 Special Town Board Meeting. The motion passed with All In Favor.

- Deputy Town Clerk Cindy Schafer has received a promotion at her full-time job and will not be able to work as often. She would like to continue to work as much as possible but it is necessary to create another part-time Clerk/Typist position for the Clerk's office to back her up.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Neer and seconded by Councilman Gick to authorized the Town Clerk to create an additional part-time Clerk/Typist position for the Clerk's office. The motion passed with the following Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Gayton - Yes	Councilman Gick - Yes
Councilman Wenhold - Yes	Councilwoman Neer - Yes
Councilman Pietrzykowski - Yes	

- Konica 2125 copier (property number 4604) was moved to the Highway Department to be used until it no longer worked. The 11 year old machine has stopped working and parts are no longer available.

A motion was made by Councilman Wenhold and seconded by Councilman Pietrzykowski to declare the 11 year old Konica 2125 copier obsolete. The machine will be disposed of. The motion passed with the following Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Gayton - Yes	Councilman Gick - Yes
Councilman Wenhold - Yes	Councilwoman Neer - Yes
Councilman Pietrzykowski - Yes	

- The Town Historian's Annual Report has been submitted by Linda Schmidt and is filed in the Town Clerk's office.

CEO/ZEO Report - Debbie Douglas

- CEO/ZEO Douglas has attended his annual training conference and acquired the required 24 hours of training for 2013.

Town Justice Report - Bill Shea

- Noted that the state is receiving a lot of opposition to the new surcharge on traffic violations and the new gun law.

Board Committee Report

Councilman Gick

- Planning Board met on February 7, 2013 and approved a Land Separation Application submitted by Dana Fleming. Continued working on the Comprehensive Plan in respect to invasive species and wind energy conversion system setbacks.

Councilman Wenhold

- Attendance is low at senior meals. A survey was done concerning the quality of the meals and received a 90% approval rating.
- ZBA met on January 23, 2013 and tabled an Area Variance Application submitted by George Torrey in order to gather more information.

Councilwoman Neer

- Lisa Lyons of Tri-Town Athletics thanked the Town for their contribution of \$300 to the program.

Councilman Pietrzykowski

- Attended the Fire Company's meeting and they are working on the grease issue.
- Spoke with Brant Arnold of Ed Arnold Scrap Processors. They don't usually have contracts for recycling and will work on one. Until then, the Town can continue to call on an as needed basis. Will pay market value.
- Also spoke with Mike Smith of the ARC. They cannot handle the Town's recyclables.

OLD BUSINESS

Proposed Water District

- At this point there have only been approximately 30 positive and 9 negative responses for pursuing the water district.
- The next step would be to contract for an independent survey of gross income in the district.
- 30 names are not enough to move forward at this time.
- Residents in the proposed water district are encouraged to contact the Town Hall to express their opinion concerning whether or not to pursue the water district.

Fire Department Officers - Approval of

Firematic

Chief	Jeff Fluker	1 year term expires 12/2013
1 st Assistant Chief	Ryan Morgan	1 year term expires 12/2013
2 nd Assistant Chief	John Szymkowiak	1 year term expires 12/2013
EMS Captain	Mel Davis	1 year term expires 12/2013
EMS Lieutenant	Jim Duval	1 year term expires 12/2013
<u>Executive</u>		
President	Gail Smith	1 year term expires 12/2013
Vice President	Jillian Welch	per by-laws, remains
until		successor is chosen
Treasurer	Sandy Fluker	1 year term expires 12/2013

Secretary Shannon Klinkbeil per by-laws, remains until successor is chosen

Board of Directors

Terri Alwardt	1 year term	Expires December 2013
Bradley Fluker	2 year term	Expires December 2014
George Larish	2 year term	Expires December 2013
Tom McBride	2 year term	Expires December 2014
Kim Pietrzykowski	2 year term	Expires December 2014
Bill Shea	2 year term	Expires December 2013

A motion was made by Supervisor Gayton and seconded by Councilman Gick to approve the 2013 Bethany Volunter Fire Company Officers. The motion passed with the following Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Gayton - Yes	Councilman Gick - Yes
Councilman Wenhold - Yes	Councilwoman Neer - Yes
Councilman Pietrzykowski - Yes	

Board of Assessment Review - Appointment

- Francis Brunner has expressed interest in sitting on the Board of Assessment Review. He has participated on this Board in the past.
- He is the only person to express interest in the position.

A motion was made by Councilman Gick and seconded by Councilwoman Neer to appoint Francis Brunner to the Board of Assessment Review with the term to expire September 30, 2017. The motion passed with the following Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Gayton - Yes	Councilman Gick - Yes
Councilman Wenhold - Yes	Councilwoman Neer - Yes
Councilman Pietrzykowski - Yes	

Highway Department - Electrical Update

- The bid specifications were reviewed.

A motion was made by Councilman Pietrzykowski and seconded by Councilman Gick to release the specifications for the electrical update at the Highway Department for bid. The motion passed with the following Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Gayton - Yes	Councilman Gick - Yes
Councilman Wenhold - Yes	Councilwoman Neer - Yes
Councilman Pietrzykowski - Yes	

NEW BUSINESS

Waste Management Contract - Extension of

- The Waste Management contract will expire in March.
- The prices are the same as last contract.

A motion was made by Councilman Pietrzykowski and seconded by Councilwoman Neer to authorize the Supervisor to extend the contract with Waste Management for one year. The motion passed with the following Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Gayton - Yes	Councilman Gick - Yes
Councilman Wenhold - Yes	Councilwoman Neer - Yes
Councilman Pietrzykowski - Yes	

915 Account - Water District

- Supervisor Gayton is creating a 915 Account for the funding of the Water District.

Water District - Payment from 915 Account

- Two bills, both from Town Attorney David DiMatteo, need to be paid from the Water District 915 Account. The amounts are \$312.50 and \$131.25.

A motion was made by Councilman Pietrzykowski and seconded by Councilman Wenhold to authorized the Supervisor to pay the two bills noted from the Water District 915 Account. The motion passed with the following Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Gayton - Yes	Councilman Gick - Yes
Councilman Wenhold - Yes	Councilwoman Neer - Yes
Councilman Pietrzykowski - Yes	

Warrant

- The Board approved payment of the bills as follows:

	<u>Prepaid</u>	<u>Total</u>
General Fund	\$ 2,399.33	\$ 8,053.43
Highway Fund	\$ 5,803.96	\$17,548.61
Water Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 312.50

Reading of the Minutes - Suspension of

A motion was made by Councilwoman Neer and seconded by Councilman Wenhold to suspend the Reading of the Minutes. The motion passed with All In Favor.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilman Wenhold and seconded by Councilman Gick to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 p.m. The motion passed with All In Favor.

BY ORDER OF THE
BETHANY TOWN BOARD
DATED: February 12, 2013

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie L. Douglas
Bethany Town Clerk