

TOWN OF BETHANY

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

08 JUNE 2009

Supervisor Gayton opened the June 8, 2009 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	Walter Wenhold, Councilman
William Gick, Councilman	Susan Neer, Councilwoman
Edward Pietrzykowski, Councilman	Debbie Douglas, Town Clerk
Lee Hendershott, Town Historian	Tom Douglas, ZEO/CEO
Paul Fleming, Highway Superintendent	

Attendees to the Meeting were:

Dave Porter	Jill Porter
Scott Frail, JC Fibers	Barb Czworka
Howard Owen, The Batavian	Ray Cipriano

Finances

Supervisor Gayton presented the finances for the Month of May 2009 as follows:

General Savings	\$	877,738.83	
Five Star Savings	\$	18,237.09	
Highway Savings	\$	176,935.74	
Capital Project Highway	\$	9,245.41	
AP/PR Account	\$	1,920.33	
T/A Account	\$	375.57	
Petty Cash	\$	250.00	
Highway Fund Misc. Savings	\$	2,975.58	
Total			\$1,087,678.55
Revenues Received			
Town Clerk Fees	\$	1,539.54	
Time Warner	\$	6,357.14	
NYS Department of Taxation	\$	2,435.00	
Roy Hersee	\$	489.46	
Total Revenue	\$		10,821.14
Total Revenue and Interest	\$		10,832.65

Town Clerk Report - Debbie Douglas

- Presented Minutes of the May 11, 2009 Regular Town Board Meeting.

A motion was made by Councilman Wenhold and seconded by Councilman Gick to approve the Minutes of the May 11, 2009 Regular Town Board Meeting as presented. The motion passed with All In Favor.

- Presented Minutes of the May 26, 2009 Special Town Board Meeting.

A motion was made by Councilman Gick and seconded by Councilman Pietrzykowski to approve the Minutes of the May 26, 2009 Special Town Board Meeting as presented. The motion passed with All In Favor.

- A letter was received from the Genesee County Youth Bureau on behalf of Genesee County Youth Court asking the Town to continue as a community service site for the Youth Court.

A motion was made by Councilman Pietrzykowski and seconded by Councilman Gick to authorize Supervisor Gayton to sign the agreement with the Genesee County Youth Court designating the Town as a community service site. The motion passed with the following Roll Call Vote:

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

#### ZEO/CEO Report - Tom Douglas

- Things are still pretty quiet.
- Working on a couple of violations.
- A couple of people have asked about Temporary Trailer Permits and have applications to fill out.

#### Highway Superintendent Report - Paul Fleming

- Mowing continues.
- Have been chipping and sealing.
- County is lined up for paving in the near future.

#### Board Committee Reports

##### Councilman Gick

- Planning Board met on June 4, 2009 with Dave Carli as Acting Chair.
  - o Approved Land Separation application submitted by Lor-Rob Associates, LLC for property located on Ellicott Street Road.
  - o Approved Land Separation Application submitted by Jean Spence for property located on East Bethany-LeRoy Road.

##### Councilman Pietrzykowski

- Fire Department is going to fix the siren themselves but most likely will sound for fire calls only with no noon and six o' clock alarm.
- Fire Department has started a new fundraiser. Tickets are being sold for a UTV.

##### Councilwoman Neer

- Summer recreation schedules have not been received yet. Will be posted when available.
- Noted that GCASA is appreciative of the Town's involvement in the Smoke Free Now program.

##### Councilman Wenhold

- Senior Meals are going well with an average of 22-25 attendees. It was noted that Bethany has the largest attendance in the county.



- The Board suggested that the Porters contact Kevin Lawson of the DEC, Tim Hens, Genesee County Highway Superintendent and George Squires of Genesee County Soil and Water Conservation for help and direction.

#### Bank Change - Research

- Supervisor Gayton has spoken with several banks in the area and has received two proposals thus far and is waiting for two more.

#### Mortgage Tax

- Mortgage tax is down 26%. Budget was passed with this in mind so the Town should be okay.
- Sales tax receipts have been the same as last year so far but are expected to drop also.

#### Assessor Travel Request

- Assessor Deborah Conti has submitted a travel request to attend the Assessor's Annual Conference on Assessment and Administration in Saratoga Springs from September 27-30. Cost will be split with Darien, Pembroke, Alexander and Attica. State reimbursement has been applied for and will cover the majority of the cost.

A motion was made by Councilman Gick and seconded by Councilwoman Neer to approve the travel request of Assessor Deborah Conti to attend the Assessor's Annual Conference on Assessment and Administration in Saratoga Springs from September 27-30 with the cost to be split with Darien, Pembroke, Alexander and Attica. State reimbursement applied for. The motion passed with the following Roll Call Vote:

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

#### Court Officer - Advertise Position

- The Court is still in need of a court officer. Town Clerk will advertise.

#### Fence - Transfer Station

- Supervisor Gayton will check into the cost of installation of fencing along the east boundary of the property.

#### Transit Road Cemetery Driveway

- Councilman Pietrzykowski will speak to Ralph Torcello concerning the possibility of the Town obtaining a right-of-way through his property on Transit Road to gain access to the cemetery for maintenance.

#### Black Creek Water Shed Coalition - Representative

- John Glidden has been the Town's representative to the Black Creek Watershed Coalition for several years however, due to time constraints is now unable to attend many of the meetings.
- Ramon Cipriano has volunteered to step in as the Town's representative.

A motion was made by Councilman Pietrzykowski and seconded by Councilman Gick to appoint Ramon Cipriano as the Town's representative to the Black Creek Watershed Coalition. 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 - Approval of

The Town Board approved payment of the bills as follows:

	<u>Prepaid</u>	<u>Total</u>
General Fund	\$1,777.85	\$14,834.46
Highway Fund	\$4,296.92	\$10,490.12

Reading of the Minutes - Suspension of

A motion was made by Councilwoman Neer and seconded by Councilman Gick to suspend the reading of the minutes. The motion passed with All In Favor.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilman Pietrzykowski and seconded by Councilwoman Neer to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m. The motion passed with All In Favor.

BY ORDER OF THE  
BETHANY TOWN BOARD  
DATED: June 12, 2009

Respectfully Submitted,  
  
Debbie L. Douglas, Clerk  
Town of Bethany