

A Regular Meeting of the Geneseo Town Board was held on Thursday, September 9, 2010 in the conference room of the Geneseo Town Office Facility.

PRESENT: W. Wadsworth, D. Dwyer, R. Irwin, F. Manapol, R. Taylor
ALSO PRESENT: C. LaVigne-Town Assessor, L. Levey-Hwy Supt, R. Maxwell-Code
Enf Officer, S. Richardson-Geneseo Garden Club, D. Dembik

MEETING OPENING, APPROVAL OF MINUTES & VOUCHERS:

Supervisor Wadsworth called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The flag was pledged and a moment of silence was held for service men and women serving around the world.

The Board reviewed the minutes of August 26th and September 8th. Mr. Dwyer moved and Mr. Taylor seconded the motion to approve the minutes of August 26, 2010 as presented. Motion passed with voting as follows: Dwyer-aye; Taylor-aye; Irwin-aye; Manapol-aye. Nays: None. Supervisor Wadsworth abstained from voting since he was absent from the August 26th meeting. Mr. Dwyer moved and Mr. Taylor seconded the motion to approve the minutes of September 8, 2010 as presented. Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-aye; Dwyer-aye; Taylor-aye; Irwin-aye; Manapol-aye. Nays: None.

Mr. Taylor moved and Mr. Dwyer seconded the motion to approve payment in the indicated amounts for the following vouchers:

General A vo #694 thru #781	\$54,469.25
General B vo #698 thru #738	\$4,565.72
Hwy DA vo #695 thru #783	\$7,782.17
Hwy DB vo #702 thru #778	\$7,719.57
Water O&M SW0 vo #702 thru #784	\$4,670.42
Water Dist #1 Capital Water SW1 vo #701	\$6,300.00
Water Dist #2 Capital Water SW2 vo #701 & 772	\$11,709.31
Special Light Dist SL vo #729	\$309.74
Booher Hill Rd Water District H2 vo #746 thru #772	\$4,211.11

Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-aye; Dwyer-aye; Taylor-aye; Irwin-aye; Manapol-aye. Nays: None.

NYSDOT AUCTION OF STATE-OWNED PROPERTY:

The Board reviewed a letter and map from NYS Department of Transportation Real Estate Specialist Steven Wanamaker requesting the Town Board's comments and/or concerns regarding NYSDOT's auction of two parcels totaling approximately 45 acres of vacant land located in the Town of Geneseo. The two parcels are in an area of the town bordered by Route 390 on the west and Lima Road to the north. Supervisor Wadsworth reported that he has responded to this request by inquiring about how the parcel that is land-locked will be dealt with and if a ROW will be provided. There were no further comments at this time.

EXEMPTION INCOME LIMITS:

Assessor Carol LaVigne addressed the Board regarding the Exemption Income Limits for Senior Citizens' property tax exemptions and Persons with Disabilities and Limited Incomes property tax exemptions. For the 2011 assessment roll, Livingston County is continuing with the same sliding scale income limits as in 2010 for these two exemptions. Ms. LaVigne advised that the Town, Village and School have adopted local laws and/or resolutions to maintain income levels consistent with Livingston County for these exemptions, so if the Town wishes to continue with the same income levels, no action needs to be taken. The Board took no action to amend the sliding scale income limits for 2011, and thus the limits will stay consistent with Livingston County.

Ms. LaVigne provided a 2010 Final Assessment Report to Board Members, which will also be posted to the town's website.

REQUEST FOR WATER DISTRICT EXTENSION:

Diane Dembik addressed the Board requesting that the Board consider extending the Booher Hill Road/Lakeview Drive water district (#5) to include her property at 5287 Booher Hill Road. Her property is adjacent to the water district #5 boundary line and location of the newly installed watermain. Supervisor Wadsworth reviewed the process for extending a water district and advised that costs for that extension would be her responsibility. Those costs could include engineering if the Hwy/Water Superintendent deems that engineering work is necessary, as well as attorney fees, advertising fees, and filing fees. Additionally, there would be a hookup charge, an annual capital charge on her January tax bill and a quarterly water bill with consumption charges. Ms. Dembik will contact the Town Clerk to get an estimate of the costs based on past water district extensions. It was the consensus of the Board that they are in favor of extending Water District #5 to include Ms. Dembik's property at 5287 Booher Hill Road since it will help to reduce the annual capital charges, provided Ms. Dembik wishes to proceed after she hears an estimate of the costs.

BLUE STAR MEMORIAL MARKER PROGRAM:

On behalf of the Geneseo Garden Club, Sue Richardson addressed the Board with a request for permission to have a Blue Star Memorial Marker located on town property at the corner of Route 20A and Volunteer Road. The Blue Star Memorial Marker Program was started in 1945 to honor servicemen and women. There are presently 28 Blue Star Markers in New York State but none in this "region 7" area. The Garden Club worked with local American Legion Post #271 and VFW Post #5005 to share the costs of the marker and a dedication ceremony is planned for October. Mr. Manapol moved and Mr. Taylor seconded the motion to grant the Geneseo Garden Club, VFW Post #5005 and American Legion Post #271 permission to install a Blue Star Memorial Marker at the Town's Volunteer Road property. Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-aye; Dwyer-aye; Manapol-aye; Taylor-aye; Irwin-aye. Nays: None.

PERSONNEL MANUAL:

The draft employee handbook/personnel manual was discussed by Board Members. Supervisor Wadsworth advised the Board that there are two significant changes to the policy: 1) the proposed increase to full-time employees' contributions toward their health and dental insurance premiums, and 2) an increase in the number of hours which comprise a full-time work week from 32 hours to 35 hours.

The draft proposes that, beginning January 1, 2011, all full time employees participating in the Health and Dental Plans will contribute 5% of the cost of the health and dental insurance policy premiums, to be increased by 5% each year through 2015. It was the consensus of the Board that full time employees need to contribute more to their health and dental premiums.

With regards to increasing the number of hours in the Town's standard work week, Councilman Dwyer questioned if the number of hours a full time employee is required to work increases, would the pay also have to be increased. Attorney Coniglio advised that he will have to check with (Underberg & Kessler Attorney) Paul Kenneally on this issue.

Discussion continued on the draft personnel manual but it was agreed no action will be taken until resolution of the issue of the town's obligation if the full time hours in a standard work week is increased.

MEMORIAL DAY FLAGS:

The Board reviewed a request from VFW Post 5005 for financial assistance for placing individual flags on Veterans' graves for Memorial Day. The current cost for the VFW/American Legion flag program is \$1200/year. The Board agreed this is a very worthwhile project and Supervisor Wadsworth will talk with the Mayor concerning the Village's plan for contributing.

CONESUS LAKE/LONG POINT PARK:

Supervisor Wadsworth advised the Board of a request from the residents of Creekside Lane, Long Point Park neighbors directly to the south of Long Point Park. The creek alongside of Creekside Lane is getting closer to Creekside Lane and area residents are concerned about their road being "taken out" by the creek. They have requested that they be allowed to access their property through the park, along the road to the boathouse, while their lane/road is being repaired. It was the consensus of the Board to be "good" neighbors and grant the Creekside Lane residents' request.

LIVINGSTON COUNTY SNOW & ICE CONTROL CONTRACT:

The Board reviewed the proposed Livingston County Snow and Ice Agreement for snow and ice control on county roads for the period October 15, 2010 through October 14, 2011 at a rate of \$4,000 per center-line mile, with a provision for three (3) 1-year

extensions at annual rates to be determined at the time of the extension. Mr. Taylor moved and Ms. Irwin seconded the motion to approve the following resolution:

Resolved, that pursuant to Highway Law Section 135-a providing for snow and ice control on County Roads within the Town, the Supervisor and Town Highway Superintendent be and they are directed to execute a contract with the County Highway Superintendent of the County of Livingston for the Town to undertake and perform snow and ice control on County Roads located in the Town for the period beginning October 15, 2010 and ending October 14, 2011 at the rates therein provided.

Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-aye; Taylor-aye; Irwin-aye; Dwyer-aye; Manapol-aye. Nays: None. The Agreement is on file in the Town Office.

SURPLUS HWY EQUIPMENT:

Hwy Supt Levey requested the Board declare the town's 2006 Ford F250 pickup truck as surplus equipment. He would like to advertise it for sale in the pennysaver by sealed bids and, if an acceptable bid is not received, take it to Teitsworth's auction in October. Mr. Dwyer moved and Mr. Manapol seconded the motion to declare the 2006 Ford F250 pickup truck as surplus equipment, as recommended by the Hwy Supt. Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-aye; Dwyer-aye; Manapol-aye; Irwin-aye; Taylor-aye. Nays: None.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Included in the Board Members' meeting packets was a notice of a Village of Geneseo Planning Board public hearing for site plan modification of the exterior of the KFC/Taco Bell building. The Town Board had no comments at this time.

Also included in packets were the August Supervisor's report, the 2010 Fiddlers' picnic final expense/income statement, and a letter from Geneseo Productions Inc thanking the Town Board for their support of the summer concert series.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 8:15 pm Mr. Dwyer moved and Mr. Taylor seconded the motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue. Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-aye; Dwyer-aye; Taylor-aye; Irwin-aye; Manapol-aye. Nays: None.

At 8:35 pm Mr. Taylor moved and Mr. Dwyer seconded the motion to come out of Executive Session and go back into Regular Session. Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-aye; Taylor-aye; Dwyer-aye; Irwin-aye; Manapol-aye. Nays: None. It was reported that no action was taken during Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:35 pm Mr. Taylor moved and Ms. Irwin seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously. Jean Bennett, Town Clerk