

A meeting of the Geneseo Town Board was held on Thursday, September 23, 2010 in the conference room of the Geneseo Town Office Facility.

PRESENT: William Wadsworth, David Dwyer, Felicisimo (Hop) Manapol, Rick Taylor, Roberta Irwin

ALSO PRESENT: Linda LeMoyné, Larry Levey, Ron Maxwell, Jim Coniglio, Arleen Somerville, Kathy Trainor, Sharon Miceli, Pat Veeley, Dennis Staley

#### MEETING OPENING/APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Wadsworth. The meeting began with a pledge to the flag and a moment of silence for our troops around the world.

Councilman Taylor made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2010 meeting; second by Councilwoman Irwin; motion carried 5-0.

#### APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Abstract #11 was presented including vouchers #785-795 for the following amounts:

General A	\$ 3,131.72
General B	165.08
Highway DA	22,665.49
Highway DB	106.06
Water O & M	9,943.38
Sewer Dist.#1	26.44

Councilman Dwyer made a motion to approve abstract #11, vouchers #785-795 in the amount of \$36,038.17; second by Councilman Taylor; motion approved 5-0.

#### PRESENTATION BY TOURISM COMMITTEE

Arleen Somerville spoke on behalf of the Tourism Committee. She presented comments from many of the Main Street merchants. Sharon Miceli, owner of Miceli's Deli, spoke in support of the Tourism Committee and their dedication to bringing tourists into Geneseo. Mrs. Somerville explained the many things they do to promote tourism. The website received an average of 467 visits per day in July 2010 with the Business Directory, Calendar of Events and Where to Shop pages being the most popular. The committee also revised the Geneseo brochure and distributed over 9,000 copies. They also print a Main Street Map which is updated twice per year and an annual Major Events Bookmark sent to all Geneseo Town and Village residents via the Pennysaver. The Committee hosts a sample Main Street businesses each summer for 150 student leaders and a table at the college's 7 information fairs each

summer. They purchase ads in several publications including SUNY's LIVE magazine, the Life in the Finger Lakes booklet, and the Letchworth State Park Vacation Guide. The Committee is also a member of the Finger Lakes tourism Alliance which includes an ad in the Finger Lakes Travel Guide. Mrs. Somerville also presented the budget for 2011 which is approximately \$2,000 less than last year. However, they are asking for a \$1,500 increase from the Town bringing the total contribution to \$4,500, since there is no money left from the 2010 budget. She thanked the Board for their support .

Councilman Manapol stated that the work this committee produces is amazing and the money they are requesting is small in terms of the benefits the Town and Village receive. The Board will consider this request in the 2011 budget which is now in process.

#### AMERICAN LEGION/VFW PRESENTATION

Dennis Staley, Commander of the local American Legion and VFW, explained that they have been actively attempting to find all the graves of local vets and to place flags each year on all of their graves. There are approximately 1,150 vets buried in the three local cemeteries, Temple Hill, St. Mary's and Mt. Pleasant. They also place flags for former volunteer firefighters and others upon request. Mr. Staley commented on the stone placed at Volunteer Rd. honoring the Blue Star Mothers. He then spoke about J. Livingston Wadsworth, who was the first from Geneseo to give his life for his country in WW1. They searched for his grave and found that he had been buried in the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery in Belleau, France. They received a letter from the American Battle Monuments Commission and a photograph of the cemetery which has now been framed along with a brief history of the American Legion Post. The legion presented the picture to Supervisor Wadsworth to display in the Town Hall as long as he is in office. It will then be sent to the Village Hall for display there but will remain the property of the American Legion Post. Supervisor Wadsworth thanked Mr. Staley and stated that he will find a picture of J. Livingston Wadsworth to display with the Legion's picture.

#### AGRICULTURAL PLANNING GRANT STATUS

Supervisor Wadsworth informed the Board that he received an e-mail from Bernie Thoma informing him that the planning grants have been delayed and he will update the Town when he receives more information.

#### PERSONNEL MANUAL

Mr. Wadsworth asked that the Board bring the revised Personnel Manual to a vote. He stated that there was no salary issue with changing the fulltime status from 32 to 35 hours per week. Councilwoman Irwin made a motion to approve the revised Personnel Manual as presented; second by Councilman Taylor. Motion carried 4-1 with Councilman Dwyer casting the no vote.

#### WATER DISTRICT #3 BAN

Supervisor Wadsworth spoke to the Board regarding the BAN for Water District #3. The Board approved borrowing up to \$150,000 at the July 8 meeting. Water District #3 has \$50,000 in excess fund balance and he would like to suggest that the Town use it to pay down the balance and borrow only \$100,000. After a brief discussion, Councilman Taylor made a motion to use the \$50,000 excess fund balance from District #3 to pay down the debt and BAN the balance; second by Councilman Manapol; motion carried 5-0.

#### BUDGET WORKSHOP

Supervisor Wadsworth requested that the Board have another budget workshop the week of October 4<sup>th</sup>. The Board members chose Monday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. Councilman Dwyer will be out of Town.

#### FIREWORKS

Attorney Jim Coniglio presented a new local law to repeal the old law regarding fireworks in the Town. Councilwoman Irwin made a motion to introduce Local Law #4 repealing Chapter 59 of the Code of the Town of Geneseo entitled (Fireworks) and to set a public hearing on November 11, 2010; second by Councilman Taylor; motion carried 5-0.

#### SEWER RATE ADJUSTMENT

Supervisor Wadsworth explained that the Sewer budget for 2011 will require a large increase in sewer rates. The Board reviewed and discussed the information presented showing various suggestions to balance this budget. The Board members will discuss this at the October 4<sup>th</sup> budget workshop.

#### BOOHER HILL ROAD WATER DISTRICT

The Water District has passed inspection and services are currently being installed.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:00 p.m., Councilman Dwyer made a motion to enter executive session for a personnel matter; second by Councilwoman Irwin; motion carried 5-0.

At 8:20 p.m. Councilwoman Irwin made a motion to adjourn executive session with no action taken; second by Councilman Dwyer; motion carried 5-0.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Dwyer made a motion to adjourn the meeting; second by Councilman Taylor; motion carried 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda M. LeMoyne, Secretary to the Supervisor