

A Regular Meeting of the Geneseo Town Board was held on Thursday, May 12, 2011 in the conference room of the Geneseo Town Office Facility.

PRESENT: W. Wadsworth, D. Dwyer, R. Irwin, F. Manapol, R. Taylor

ALSO PRESENT: Ed Russell- Underberg & Kessler, Larry Levey-Hwy Supt, Ron Maxwell-Code Enf Officer, Carol LaVigne- Assessor, Marie Zea- Conesus Lake Assn, Howard Appell-Livingston County News, Larry Smith, Robert Peri-Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, David Woods – Planning Board Member, Kevin Dougherty, Joseph Enfonde, Josh Williams – Genesee Sun News

**MEETING OPENING, APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND VOUCHERS:**

At 7:00 pm Supervisor Wadsworth called the meeting to order. The flag was pledged and a moment of silence was held for Seal Team Six and all other servicemen and women serving around the world.

The minutes of March 14<sup>th</sup> and April 28<sup>th</sup> were reviewed. Ms. Irwin moved and Mr. Manapol seconded the motion to approve the minutes of March 14, 2011 as presented. Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-aye; Irwin-aye; Manapol-aye. Nays: None. Mr. Taylor and Mr. Dwyer abstained from voting as they were absent from the March 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. The April 28<sup>th</sup> minutes were amended to include setting the Long Point Park beach hours for weekdays until 5:00 pm. Ms. Irwin moved and Mr. Taylor seconded the motion to approve the minutes of April 28, 2011 as amended. Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-aye; Irwin-aye; Taylor-aye; Dwyer-aye; Manapol-aye. Nays: None.

The Board reviewed abstract #5 of vouchers. Voucher #396 for National Grid was amended to include the additional cost of \$257.75 charged to A7110.450 for Long Point Park's four electric accounts, since some of the bills were missing at the time of preparation of the abstract. Mr. Taylor moved and Mr. Manapol seconded the motion to approve payment of the vouchers on abstract #5, as amended to include the additional charges to voucher #396, in the amount of \$262,415.75. Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-aye; Irwin-aye; Taylor-aye; Dwyer-aye; Manapol-aye. Nays: None.

**DECEPTIVE ADVERTISING AT GAS STATION:**

Geneseo Resident Joseph Enfonde addressed the Board. On May 1<sup>st</sup>, he went to one of the local gas stations on Route 20A to purchase gas. The large sign in front of the station advertised the price of regular gas at \$3.94/gallon, however, at the pump, in much smaller lettering unable to be read from the road, the cost was an additional 10¢ per gallon. He asked if the town could modify their zoning code to prevent this from happening and urged the Town Board to do something to protect the senior citizens against this “deceptive, unlawful” practice. The Board will refer this issue to the Town Attorney and the Code Enforcement Office to report at the next meeting on what, if anything, the town can do about this problem.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT PHONE:**

Councilman Taylor reported that he checked with Verizon on obtaining “*smart*” phones for the **Code Officers**. It would cost the Town \$49.99 to purchase a blackberry phone for Code Officer Maxwell, as well as an additional \$44.99/month for Internet access for the phone, plus

\$15/month to use the phone as a modem for connection to a laptop. Adding in the current \$100/month charges, the total monthly charge would be approximately \$160 for Mr. Maxwell's phone. The cost for Code Officer O'Keefe's update to a "smart phone" with the same capabilities would be similar. Discussion followed. Mr. Taylor stated he has talked with the Mayor and the Village would be willing to contribute \$30/month to the Town for Dean's phone charges. It was agreed Councilman Taylor will get information on the logistics of having computers in the code vehicles that print at the office, including information on any software that would be needed, and this issue will be revisited for a decision at the next Town Board meeting.

**PERSONNEL:**

The college student hired to **assist Court for 4 hours/week** until Court is "caught up" with filing and records management has returned home for the summer. Court has requested a helper to replace her temporarily for the summer months. Mr. Taylor moved and Mr. Manapol seconded the motion to hire Madison Dulmage to work at Court for 4 hours/week at \$8.00/hour. Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-aye; Dwyer-aye; Irwin-aye; Manapol-aye; Taylor-aye. Nays: None.

**MOUNT PLEASANT CEMETERY REQUEST:**

Bob Peri addressed the Board asking if they have made any decision on the Mt. Pleasant Cemetery request for money to be put in a fund for use by them if they need it. Supervisor Wadsworth responded that the Town can do "in-kind" work and can use their equipment to a certain extent but he does not believe it is legal to put money into a fund. Kevin Dougherty supported the Town Board assisting the cemetery in any way they can. He and Bob Peri suggested the Town's Attorney contact Cindy Craig and/or the Division of Cemeteries website to see what is legal for the Town to do. Attorney Ed Russell expects he will be able to get some answers for the next meeting.

**CONESUS LAKE/ LONG POINT PARK**

Council Member Irwin reviewed her recommendations for the hiring of lifeguards for Long Point. Ms. Irwin moved and Mr. Taylor seconded the motion to hire the following **lifeguards at Long Point Park** for the 2011 summer, as indicated:

Casey Freeze - Head Lifeguard

Margarete Betette - Lifeguard (returning)

Kristen Bondi - Lifeguard (returning)

Madelyn Bruckel - Lifeguard (returning)

Brittany Kemp - Lifeguard (returning)

Kathryn Nesbitt - Lifeguard (new)

Allison Mooney - Substitute Lifeguard (new)

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

The Board discussed getting a **cellular phone for the beach**, with prepaid minutes, for emergencies. Ms. Irwin moved and Mr. Taylor seconded the motion to authorize the purchase

of an inexpensive cellular phone and a 3-month service plan with 60 minutes at a cost of \$20 for Long Point Park beach, for emergency calls only. It was agreed that a policy for charging the phone will have to be initiated. Also, the Sheriff will be contacted to see about the need for a land line in the sheriff's trailer. Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-aye; Dwyer-aye; Irwin-aye; Manapol-aye; Taylor-aye. Nays: None.

The Board reviewed three (3) requests for **use of the Long Point Park pavilion** by local/community organizations and waiving of the associated fees. The requests were from: 1) the Livingston County Planning Department for a workshop to be held on June 4<sup>th</sup>; 2) Catholic Charities for a Picnic for their Volunteers to be held on July 29<sup>th</sup>; and 3) St Luke the Evangelist Parish for their annual parish picnic on September 10<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Manapol moved and Mr. Taylor seconded the motion to approve the requests of the Livingston County Planning Department, Catholic Charities and St. Luke's to use the Long Point Park pavilion and waive the usual fees, with a certificate of insurance to be provided. Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-aye; Dwyer-aye; Irwin-aye; Manapol-aye; Taylor-aye. Nays: None.

#### **WATER/SEWER ISSUES:**

The 2006 **sewer contract** with the Village of Geneseo was a 5 year contract and thus expired January 1, 2011. Mr. Manapol moved and Mr. Taylor seconded the motion to notify the Village of the Town's interest in renewing the Sewer District Agreement. Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-aye; Dwyer-aye; Irwin-aye; Manapol-aye; Taylor-aye. Nays: None.

The Board reviewed the memo from the Village of Geneseo regarding the **increase in the water rate to \$2.87/1000 gallons** effective with the August 1<sup>st</sup> billing. Supervisor Wadsworth suggested that the Board look at increasing the rate to their customers as part of the 2012 budget process, since a water increase is not necessary at least until then.

Highway/Water Superintendent Levey submitted a draft local law providing for **cross connection control** to protect the town's water distribution system from contamination. Mr. Taylor moved and Ms. Irwin seconded the motion to introduce the local law providing for cross connection control and schedule a public hearing for May 26, 2011 at 7:30 pm. Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-aye; Dwyer-aye; Irwin-aye; Manapol-aye; Taylor-aye. Nays: None.

#### **HIGHWAY ISSUES:**

Highway Superintendent Levey requested a change in policy for property owners requesting a **second driveway installation**. Mr. Levey explained that presently, property owners requesting driveway installations pay for the culvert pipe and the town does the installations, even if it is a second driveway. He would like to continue that policy for the first driveway but charge a fee for any additional driveway(s) that would cover the costs associated with it. Ms. Irwin moved and Mr. Taylor seconded the motion to charge a fee to property owners who request a second driveway to their property. Discussion was held on what that fee should be. Since the cost varies with many factors, including the size of the driveway, pipe, amount of stone needed, etc, the motion was withdrawn and Mr. Levey was asked to develop a suggested fee schedule for adoption at the next board meeting.

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

Highway Superintendent Levey reported that **the Recycling Center** is no longer paying to dispose of their recyclables, including plastics, bottles, and cans. Also, the Town is not being charged for electronic recycling and therefore has stopped charging the customers. The Town is now only paying for the open top and compactor containers which are serviced by Waste Management.

Since no Boy Scouts from Geneseo have contacted Councilman Taylor to indicate that they want to build an **information kiosk at Long Point Park** as an Eagle Scout project, Supervisor Wadsworth will contact Livonia Supervisor Eric Gott. There are Livonia Boy Scouts interested in the kiosk project.

Town Assessor Carol LaVigne addressed the Board with regards to an invoice related to the **Geneseo Heights Apartment Assessment challenge**. Voucher # 290 (on April, 2011 abstract #4) to Midland Appraisal Associates in the amount of \$3,325 was charged to the Assessor's account A1355.490, leaving her with no money in her contractual budget. Since the Midland Appraisal work was done in response to a lawsuit against the town, Ms. LaVigne believes an error was made and the bill should be charged instead to legal expenses. Councilman Dwyer suggested the Town Board make a transfer from the contingency account to the Assessor's A1355.490 account. Supervisor Wadsworth stated he will take care of the matter.

Councilman Taylor suggested and the Board agreed, that it may be appropriate for the Code Officers, as well as other staff, to attend an **Introduction to Computer class**.

Included in Board packets were the following items:

- April Code Enforcement Office report
- April Supervisor's report

Mr. Manapol reminded Board Members that the **Geneseo Garden Club** will be having their plant sale at the Gateway area this weekend and that the Garden Club Members will be taking a tour of Long Point Park on June 1<sup>st</sup> and July 1<sup>st</sup>.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

At 8:40 pm Mr. Dwyer moved and Mr. Taylor seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously. Jean Bennett, Town Clerk