

Geneseo Town Board Minutes of Thursday, March 14, 2013

A regular meeting of the Geneseo Town Board was held on Thursday, March 14, 2013 in the conference room of the Geneseo Town Office Facility.

PRESENT: William S. Wadsworth, Supervisor
Roberta Irwin, Deputy Supervisor
Felicisimo Manapol-Councilman
Richard Taylor, Councilman
Jerald Wrubel, Councilman

ALSO PRESENT: Ed Russell, Underberg & Kessler
Larry Levey, Highway Superintendent
Ron Maxwell, Code Enforcement Officer
Rebecca McKeown, Genesee Sun News
Jason Rich, SUNY Geneseo
Rachel O'Neill, SUNY Geneseo
Paige LaBarr, SUNY Geneseo
Robert Thayer

MEETING OPENING, APPROVAL OF MINUTES & VOUCHERS:

Supervisor Wadsworth called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Deputy Supervisor Irwin led the pledge to the flag and a moment of silence was held for our service men and women serving around the world. Special recognition was given to the Supervisor's sister who became a colonel in the Air Force this week.

The February 28th minutes were reviewed. Ms. Irwin moved and Mr. Wrubel seconded the motion to approve the minutes of February 28, 2013 as presented. Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-aye; Irwin-aye; Wrubel-aye; Manapol-aye; Taylor-aye. Nays: None.

Abstract #3 of vouchers was reviewed. Ms. Irwin moved and Mr. Taylor seconded the motion to approve payment for vouchers #1146 through #1226 on abstract #3 in the following amounts:

General A vouchers #1147 thru #1224	\$42,020.57
General B vouchers #1150 thru #1218	\$7,682.94
Highway DA vouchers #1152 thru #1225	\$22,580.91
Highway DB vouchers #1163 thru #1202	\$4,453.82
Special Light District voucher #1177	\$386.04
Sewer District vouchers #1155 thru #1210	\$267.91
Water O&M SW0 vouchers #1146 thru #1212	\$6,505.18
Water District #1 SW1 voucher #1226	\$54,500.00
Water District #2 SW2 voucher #1226	\$87,200.00

and totaling \$225,597.37. Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-aye; Irwin-aye; Manapol-aye; Taylor-aye; Wrubel-aye. Nays: None.

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REQUEST TO REPEAL THE SAFE ACT OF 2013:

The Board reviewed a revised resolution requesting for the repeal of the "SAFE Act of 2013". Councilman Wrubel suggested eliminating the paragraph with the second *Whereas*, if the reason for the repeal request is the process by which it was adopted rather than infringement on citizens' rights. Ms. Irwin responded that the second *whereas* has to do with how the citizens feel, not necessarily the Town Board. More discussion followed. Supervisor Wadsworth will re-write the second paragraph and email it around to Board Members for their comments. It was agreed paragraph 8 should say that the Town Board has concerns that the passage of the Safe Act "may" have a negative impact on local business rather than "will" have a negative impact.

CONESUS LAKE/LONG POINT PARK:

SUNY Geneseo Crew Club Coach Jason Rich addressed the Board to thank them for their assistance and support. He introduced Crew Club President Rachel O'Neill, and Vice-President Paige LaBarr. Their annual recognition day will be held at Long Point Park at 2:00 pm on April 21st and Board Members are invited to attend.

The Board reviewed **requests to use Long Point Park pavilion** and waive the associated fees. The first request was from Geneseo Boy Scout Troop #4070 for their Court of Honor on June 10th. Mr. Wrubel moved and Mr. Taylor seconded the motion to approve Boy Scout Troop #4070's request and waive the fee, provided a proper certificate of insurance is provided. Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-aye; Wrubel-aye; Taylor-aye; Irwin-aye; Manapol-aye. Nays: None. The second request was from the Geneseo Kiwanis Club requesting the pavilion for a chicken barbeque Saturday May 4th to honor the Circle K Club from SUNY Geneseo. Mr. Manapol moved and Ms. Irwin seconded the motion to approve the Kiwanis Club's request for use of the pavilion on May 4th and waive the fee, with a proper certificate of insurance to be provided. Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-aye; Manapol-aye; Irwin-aye. Nays: None. Councilmen Wrubel and Taylor abstained from voting.

The Board reviewed the proposed **Operation and Maintenance Agreement between the Compact of Towns and the Livingston County Water & Sewer Authority (LCWSA)** for operation and maintenance of the Conesus Lake flood gates which control the Lake level and outflow from the Lake. Supervisor Wadsworth advised that there were only a couple of grammatical changes and date changes from the previous agreement signed in 2010. Mr. Taylor moved and Ms. Irwin seconded the motion to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Operation and Maintenance Agreement between the LCWSA and the Conesus Lake Compact. Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-aye; Taylor-aye; Irwin-aye; Manapol-aye; Wrubel-aye. Nays: None.

2012 TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTION BOOKS:

Councilmen Taylor and Wrubel reported that they examined the 2012 Town Clerk and Tax Collection books and they were found to be in order. A letter of those findings was submitted to the Supervisor for the record. It was agreed letters would be sent to the Town Justices reminding them of their obligation to submit their records/books for annual examination.

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WATER/SEWER ISSUES:

Supervisor Wadsworth reported on a meeting held with Water Departments from the Village and Town of Geneseo, Town of York, Village Engineers and others affected by the **Village water tank improvement project**. The project is scheduled for June and the water tank will be shut down for a period of time. Highway Supt Levey's comments and suggestions were well-received at the meeting and Supervisor Wadsworth is pleased with the way in which the Village is moving forward.

Highway Superintendent Levey reported he is working on **obtaining generators** from the Federal Surplus Agency in Pennsylvania. They would be used to run the Town's water system in case of a Disaster or Emergency, and will be included in the Town's Disaster Preparedness plans.

HIGHWAY ISSUES:

Discussion was held on the **need for a street light** at the corner of Morganview Road and the access road leading from Morganview to the Genesee Valley Plaza, in the vicinity of Aldi's and M&R. Mr. Manapol moved and Mr. Wrubel seconded the motion to authorize the installation of a street light at the corner of Morganview Road intersection with the Genesee Valley Plaza access road. Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-aye; Manapol-aye; Wrubel-aye; Irwin-aye; Taylor-aye. Nays: None.

CODE ENFORCEMENT:

Supervisor Wadsworth reported that NYS Department of State responded to Timothy Sullivan's complaints about the Town of Geneseo's enforcement of the Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code with regards to **barns in disrepair**. According to the letter, with the issuance of a demolition permit for a structure in disrepair, there is no further action that needs to be taken. Furthermore, extensions to the permit may be granted. Supervisor Wadsworth added that the Town Board has the ability to decide how the Code Enforcement Officers do their job and there are no concerns about how the job is done by the present Code Officers.

Also included in Board packets was the **February Code Enforcement report**.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 6:10 pm Ms. Irwin moved and Mr. Wrubel seconded the motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter, with the Highway Superintendent and Attorney remaining. Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-aye; Irwin-aye; Wrubel-aye; Manapol-aye; Taylor-aye. Nays: None.

At 6:40 pm Ms. Irwin moved and Mr. Wrubel seconded the motion to come out of Executive Session and go back into Regular Session. Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-aye; Irwin-aye; Wrubel-aye; Manapol-aye; Taylor-aye. Nays: None. It was reported that no action was taken during Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 6:40 pm Mr. Manapol moved and Ms. Irwin seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Jean Bennett, Town Clerk