

# Special & Regular Geneseo Town Board Meeting

## Thursday, May 8, 2014

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A Special Meeting of the Geneseo Town Board was held on Thursday, May 8, 2014 in the conference room of the Geneseo Town Office Facility.

PRESENT: William S. Wadsworth, Supervisor  
Roberta Irwin, Deputy Supervisor  
Jerald Wrubel, Councilman  
Felicisimo Manapol, Councilman  
Patti LaVigne, Councilwoman  
Larry Levey – Highway Superintendent  
Linda LeMoyné, Clerk to the Supervisor  
Courtney Kennedy, Town Clerk

ALSO PRESENT: Sharyn Duffy, Cathy Evershed, Linda Hamilton, Bill Lloyd, Sally Fox  
Nancy Campbell, David Campbell, Margie Delena, Robert Delena

### **SPECIAL MEETING WITH RESIDENTS:**

At 6:00 pm, the Geneseo Town Board met with Geneseo property owners residing on Lima Rd. and (portion of) Pole Bridge Rd. This was one of a series of informal forums with residents where neighborhoods are invited to a special Town Board meeting to discuss any concerns or issues that they may have.

Residents of this area expressed concerns or asked questions about the following issues/items: 1) **Water**- A resident asked if there was an update to the status of a potential water district. Supervisor Wadsworth explained that the findings of the 2010 census resulted in Geneseo becoming a town of the first class, resulting in the loss of rural development funding. Supervisor Wadsworth continued to say that he is still exploring any possibilities to extend water to the area and assured the residents that if there is any change in status that the new information will be communicated to them in a timely manner, allowing enough time for responses; 2) **Traffic/Roads**- many residents were concerned with the assigned speed limit of 55mph. Some felt a reduction to 45mph would slow traffic with the main focus on the “s curve”. Supervisor Wadsworth spoke about a petition he was asked to sign that proposed giving the local government jurisdiction over local roads. One resident alleged that there is not a shoulder on Lima Rd. which results in a drop off from the pavement and potential dangers for motor vehicle operators; 3) **2% Tax Cap** - Supervisor Wadsworth explained this item briefly. One resident asked if the town sets assessments higher to collect more taxes. Supervisor Wadsworth explained that the town can not collect more than 2% in addition to what was raised in last year’s taxes regardless of assessments; 4) **Comprehensive Master Plan for Gateway Area**- A resident noticed this item on the agenda for the regular Town Board meeting and asked if there was an update on future development. Supervisor Wadsworth explained that individuals have visited the office with ideas with nothing materializing. The Master Plan is still an active item but can not be completed until the zoning revision is completed.

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At 6:57 pm the Supervisor closed the special meeting and invited the public to stay for the regular meeting if they wished to.

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Roberta Irwin, Deputy Supervisor  
Jerald Wrubel, Councilman  
Felicisimo Manapol, Councilman  
Patti LaVigne, Councilwoman  
Ed Russell, Town Attorney  
Larry Levey – Highway Superintendent  
Linda LeMoyné-Clerk to the Supervisor  
Courtney Kennedy, Town Clerk

ALSO PRESENT: Robert Thayer

### **REGULAR MEETING OPENING, APPROVAL OF MINUTES & ABSTRACT OF VOUCHERS:**

Supervisor Wadsworth called the regular meeting to order at 7:05 pm. Councilman Wrubel led the pledge to the flag. A moment of silence was held for service men and women serving around the world and especially for those who lost loved ones this week.

The Board reviewed the April 24<sup>th</sup> minutes. Ms. Irwin moved and Mr. Wrubel seconded the motion to approve the minutes of April 24, 2014. Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-Aye, Irwin-Aye, Wrubel-Aye, Manapol-Aye, LaVigne-Aye. Nays: None.

The Board reviewed abstract #5 of 2014 of vouchers. Mr. Wrubel moved and Ms. Irwin seconded the motion to approve payment in the indicated amounts for vouchers #296 through #369 in the following amounts:

General A vouchers #296 thru #369	\$40,058.66
General B vouchers #297 thru #364	\$2,589.99
Highway DA vouchers #297 thru #334	\$47,114.69
Highway DB vouchers #297 thru #330	\$2,967.07
Special Light District voucher #352	\$321.04
Sewer District vouchers #297 thru #344	\$25,043.12
Water O&M SW0 vouchers #297 thru #353	\$64,403.52

And totaling \$182,498.09. Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-Aye, Irwin-Aye, Wrubel-Aye, Manapol-Aye, LaVigne-Aye. Nays: None.

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### **COMMUNITY SURVEY/BUDGET IN BRIEF**

The community survey will now be considered “*community talking points*”. The Board Members decided this would be the best avenue for the meetings with residents but have not abandoned the idea of a community survey. Supervisor Wadsworth asked the members to construct a list of five (5) topics to be used as talking points. Once completed, the lists will be submitted with the Town Clerk.

Supervisor Wadsworth provided the Board Members with the ***Budget in Brief*** PowerPoint packets. The presentation version will contain simplified budget information and have fewer slides. The council members felt this will be a useful tool while preparing the next budget. Supervisor Wadsworth explained one of the graphs on the Highway department. Superintendent Levey discussed road maintenance and repair with the board members and advised on realistic timelines for roads.

### **NYS ROUTE 20A /NORTH ROAD INTERSECTION:**

Councilman Wrubel reported that he spoke of Mr. Robert Thayer’s proposed petition to the Livingston County Traffic Safety Board the night prior and the Safety Board members welcome a petition. Mr. Thayer was advised that, along with signatures, each individual should explain why they are signing the petition and give ideas as to what should be done. The next Traffic Safety Board meeting is June 4, 2014. Mr. Thayer will need to submit said petition no later than June 1<sup>st</sup> to the Town Clerk, who will then forward it to Patricia Johnston. The Traffic Safety Board will assign a case number and forward the request to NYSDOT.

### **NYSDEC LICENSE SALES**

Councilwoman Irwin moved to opt-out of serving as a DEC license issuing agent effective May 8, 2014 with notices going out to individuals who utilize the Town Hall to make such purchases. Councilman Wrubel seconded the motion. Motion passed with voting as follows: Wadsworth-Aye, Irwin-Aye, Wrubel-Aye, Manapol-Aye, LaVigne-Aye. Nays: None.

### **MISCELLANEOUS:**

Included in the meeting packets were the following items: The April Code Enforcement Report.

There was a discussion about the Town’s ***Code Office*** possibly lending assistance to the new Director of Central Services with Livingston County for approximately six (6) months. No action was taken.

Supervisor Wadsworth presented to the Board members a ***petition*** he was asked to sign that proposed giving the local government jurisdiction over local roads. There was a discussion as to whether this would be beneficial to the Town. Superintendent Levey felt that those who work for the State are the professionals that perform the actual data and research. Another concern was the possible increase in costs for signs, research, etc. No action was taken.

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Mr. Manapol informed the Board members of Bob and Marilyn Lyon's plan to donate a **gazebo** to the park at Long Point.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

At 7:50 pm Ms. Irwin moved and Mr. Manapol seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.  
Motion passed unanimously. Courtney Kennedy, Town Clerk