

February 12, 2013 – Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Gardiner Town Board was held this evening at the Gardiner Town Hall at 7:00 PM. Supervisor Zatz presided with Councilmen Koenig, Mele, Reynolds and Wiegand in attendance. There were approximately 5± audience members present.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

February 18 – Town offices are closed in observance of Presidents Day.

February 23 – Annual Spaghetti Dinner, Gardiner Firehouse, 2 seating's 5:00 PM and 7:00 PM. Sponsored by the Gardiner Day Committee.

February 23 – Natural Pet Center sponsored spay/neuter clinic for cats only.

March 5 – Legislator Tracy Bartels will attend this Town Board meeting to answer questions and possibly speak on Safety Net.

PLANNING BOARD AND ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETINGS

Both the Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals have cancelled their meeting for the month of February. No applications were received.

HESS FARM CHALLENGE

The Town has received a \$10,000 challenge match for the remaining funding needed for the Hess Farm for the Open Space.

PROPERTY EXEMPTIONS

Supervisor Zatz announced that all property exemption applications must be filed no later than March 1, 2013 in order to be eligible.

SIDEWALK BIDS

To date four (4) bid packages have been picked up from the Town Hall. The opening is scheduled for February 20 at 11:00 AM.

COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION TERM EXPIRATION/VACANCIES

Supervisor Zatz would like the Town Board to consider the following suggestion: If a sitting member is interested in re-appointment, Mr. Zatz would like the Town Board to consider re-appointment without going through the whole interview process. Board members will consider this suggestion.

TRANSFER STATION

Councilman Reynolds reported that the transfer station is in need of a serious clean up. He stated that the roll-offs would need to be moved in order to clean up the trash that has fallen along the sides and back of the containers. Will not be an easy task.

UCRRA is working on adding/re-working the laws for scrap metal and valuable recyclables. It is now before the legislature.

ARTICLE 78 PROCEEDING – MAJESTIC

Attorney Dave Brennan has compiled the record for the Article 78 proceeding against the Town Planning Board and the Majestic family with regards to the approved driveway on North Mountain Road.

MAIN STREET POTHOLES

Supervisor Zatz contacted NYS DOT regarding the potholes on Main Street across from the post office. A state highway crew repaired them today.

NORTH STREET PARKING

North Street is a paper road located off of Dusenberre Road owned by the Town of Gardiner. The Town Board is considering using this piece of property as a parking lot. Councilman Koenig has received a cost of \$1400 for engineering by Morris Associates. Board members decided to have a field trip to the property tomorrow February 13 at 1:00 PM.

STATE AUDIT

The auditor from the State Comptroller's office has completed her review and audit of the Town records. She is creating her report which will go to the State offices for their review.

CELL TOWER UPDATE

Councilmen Mele and Reynolds are in discussion with another cell tower company. They are interested in talking for a future endeavor and would be willing to appear before the Board. Board members believe this should be discussed in executive session.

PLANNING BOARD/BUILDING DEPT. HANDBOOK

Councilman Wiegand is currently drafting a handbook to be used by applicants of the Planning Board and the Building Dept. His hope is to generate a document to help guide an applicant through the building and planning process. He will bring it to the Town Board for review sometime after March.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Mapping has been completed for the Habitat Map. Members of the ECC would like to present the map at the March 12 meeting.

CLAIMS PARTIAL DECEMBER 2012

Partial claims for the month of December 2012 were approved for payment on motion of Councilman Mele, seconded by Councilman Wiegand and carried. They are listed on Abstract #14 as follows: General Fund voucher #576-585 \$7,566.42; Highway Fund voucher #326-329 \$988.88.

BUDGET TRANSFERS AND SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS – PARTIAL DECEMBER 2012

Resolution No. 64 – Supplemental Appropriation in General Fund – Offered by Councilman Wiegand Resolved, pursuant to Section 112, Town Law, the 2012 Annual Budget, General Fund, is hereby amended to provide for a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$677.00 in Acct No. 00.07.8010.404 CE Outside Professional Services.

Further Resolved, said moneys to be taken from the General Fund Unreserved Fund Balance. Seconded by Councilman Mele and carried.

Resolution No. 65 - Transfer within General Fund – Offered by Councilman Wiegand Resolved, pursuant to Section 112, Town Law, the 2012 Annual Budget, General Fund, is hereby amended to provide for the transfer of \$40.00 from Acct No. 00.02.3510.460 CE Vet Service to Acct No. 00.02.3510.101 CE Dog Warden, \$608.00 in Acct No. 00.01.1620.412 CE Building Lighting to Acct No. 00.02.5182.401 CE Street Lighting, \$543.99 from Acct No. 00.01.1420.460 CE General Attorney to Acct No. 00.01.1420.401 CE Codification, \$135.09 from Acct No. 00.01.1420.468 CE Attorney Cell Tower to Acct o. 00.01.420.401 CE Codification, \$59.00 from Acct No. 00.02.3510.404 CE Kennel to Acct No. 00.02.3510.402 CE Mileage and \$800.00 from Acct No. 00.07.8010.103 PS ZBA Clerk to Acct No. 00.07.8010.404 CE Outside Professional Service. Seconded by Councilman Mele and carried.

Resolution No. 66 - Transfer within Highway Fund – Offered by Councilman Wiegand Resolved, pursuant to Section 112, Town Law, the 2012 Annual Budget, Highway Fund, is hereby amended to provide for the transfer of \$56.00 from Acct No. 01.08.9089.802 CE Meals to Acct No. 01.08.9089.800 CE Uniforms.

Seconded by Councilman Wiegand and carried.

DECEMBER SUPERVISORS MONTHLY REPORT

On motion of Councilman Mele, seconded by Councilman Reynolds and carried the December 2012 Supervisors Report was accepted as presented.

CLAIMS – JANUARY 2013

Claims for the month of January 2013 were approved for payment on motion of Councilman Mele, seconded by Councilman Reynolds and carried. They are listed on Abstract #1 as follows: General Fund voucher #1-41 \$86,258.16; Highway Fund voucher #1-28 \$25,530.19; Sewer District #1 voucher #1 \$195.00.

BUDGET TRANSFERS AND SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Resolution No. 67 – Supplemental Appropriation in General Fund – Offered by Councilman Mele Resolved, pursuant to Section 112, Town Law, the 2013 Annual Budget, General Fund, is hereby amended to provide for supplemental appropriations in the amount of \$2200.00 in Acct No. 00.02.3620.110 PS Jr. Bldg Dept. Clerk, \$3000.00 in Acct No. 00.06.7110.440 CE Pole Barn and \$239.00 in Acct No. 00.09.9730.701 Debt Service.

Further Resolved, said moneys to be taken from the General Fund Unreserved Fund Balance.

Seconded by Councilman Reynolds and carried.

Resolution No. 68 – Budget Modification Sidewalk Phase I – Offered by Councilman Wiegand Resolved, the 2013 Annual Budget, Sidewalk Fund #34- Phase I, hereby establishes a budget for the Sidewalk Phase I project as follows: Revenue \$258,345.26 to Acct No. 34-4589 Federal Transportation, \$48,439.74 to Acct No. 34-3589 NYS Marchiselli Fund and \$16,146.57 to the General Budget Appropriation.

Appropriations \$18,268.37 to Acct 34.04.5410.420 Design and Right of Way and \$304,663.20 to Acct 34.04.5410.425 Construction & Inspection. Each of these accounts will have 5% of the General Budget Appropriation applied.

Seconded by Councilman Reynolds and carried.

Resolution No. 69 – Budget Modification Sidewalk Phase II – Offered by Councilman Wiegand Resolved, the 2013 Annual Budget, Sidewalk Fund #35- Phase II, hereby establishes a budget for the Sidewalk Phase II project as follows: Revenue \$785,206.00 to Acct No. 35-4589 Federal Stimulus Fund.

Appropriations \$149,484.02 to Acct 35.04.5410.420 Design and Inspection, \$160,000.00 to Acct 35.04.5410.425 Survey and Right of Way and \$475,722.00 to Acct 35.04.5410.430 Construction of Sidewalk.

Seconded by Councilman Reynolds and carried.

JANUARY SUPERVISORS REPORT

On motion of Councilman Wiegand, seconded by Councilman Koenig and carried the January Supervisors Report was accepted as presented.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

David Straus – commented that the ECC will be attending the March 12 meeting.

Eugene Ruoff – was interested in why the Town Board was look at another wireless developer.

Erin Quinn – stated that she is the new reporter for the Town and had several questions about the cell tower project.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilman Mele, seconded by Councilman Koenig and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle L. Mosher
Town Clerk