

On Monday, February 11, 2008, the Preble Town Board held its regular monthly meeting. The meeting was called to order by the Supervisor, Betty Ann Pitman, with the salute to the flag at 8:05

Board members present: Jim Doring, Tom Fox, Peter Knapp, and, Dave Morse , Councilmen..

Others present: Don Armstrong, Jeff Griswold, Dan O'Shea., and William Luety

CORRECTIONS/APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Motion made by Tom Fox, seconded by Peter Knapp
RESOLUTION #7: To accept the January 14, 2008 meeting minutes as submitted
Jim Doring(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Tom Fox(aye) Dave Morse(aye)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

DOG CONTROL: -No report received

JUSTICE REPORT: -\$11,875.. submitted to the Town of Preble for January

HIGHWAY REPORT:

Roads:
-New York State DOT is holding forums across upstate over the next few weeks.. The Syracuse forum will be held February 25th from 4:00 until 6:30. Jeff will be attending along with many of the area Superintendents.
-Jeff is asking if there are any questions on the 284U.
-Jeff passed out a copy of "Town Highway Lines" to each Board member.
-Advocacy day is on March 4th & 5th, 2008. Jeff is asking for coverage of his lodging for the night.

Equipment:
-The plow hitches on the new truck will be complete on Tuesday. It will then go to Kurtz Welding to have the dump body installed. Should be done in 10-14 days.

Shop:
-On January 15th, the Highway Garage was hit by a pickup truck.
Quote received on repairing the Ford(Cosmetic only)
Quote on installing a new door (uninsulated) \$2,235.00
Total numbers for the repair of the building should be received shortly
-Jeff passed a rough layout of a proposed shop to each Board member.

Other:
-Jeff would like the Board to consider leasing Ron Master's gravel bed for 1-2 more years until the new site is prepped for further use
-Jeff has spoken to Betty Ann regarding the County's interest in the tower behind the Town Hall.

Motion made by Peter Knapp, seconded by Tom Fox
RESOLUTION #8: To reimburse lodging expenses for Jeff Griswold for the night of March 4th to attend Advocacy Day March 5th
Jim Doring(aye) Tom Fox(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye)

RECREATION: -N/A

COUNTY LEGISLATURE: -John is absent

ZONING & CODE ENFORCEMENT:

January Report
-1 building permit granted(Demolition permit)
-Construction Value \$0
-Fees assessed: \$25.00
-1 permit pending
-2 Certificates of Occupancy issued
-1 30-day violation notice issued
-2 pending in court
-1 completed
-18 telephone inquiries

PLANNING BOARD: -Meeting February 28th @7:00.

HISTORIAN -Anne is absent

TOWN CLERK: -\$125.00 - fees collected in January. Disbursed \$19.97 to CC Treasurer; and \$105.03 to Elizabeth Pitman, Supervisor.

DON ARMSTRONG: -

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Zoning - Don Armstrong passed a summary of the differences pertaining to the Aquifer Protection Provisions , sections 560 - 572. He reviewed each section change with the Board. Following the review, it was recommended that the project be referred to the County Planning Board and hold another public hearing..

Motion made by Tom Fox, seconded by Dave Morse

RESOLUTION #9: To hold a public hearing regarding the changes to the new zoning laws on March 10th at 7:30 and to refer same to the County Planning Dept.

Jim Doring(aye) Tom Fox(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye)

Gas Company (Elexco Land Service, Inc.) - There has been no correspondence received.

Doug Staley Contract -Doug's contract did arrive but there are some changes to be made.

Agricultural & Farmland Protection Plan -The gentlemen from Homer were not in attendance; item postponed.

Agreement for the expenditures of Highway (Section 284 of the Highway Law) - The agreement was reviewed. The Town will receive approximately #38,700 in State Aid. Agreement signed by all Board members.

Highway Garage - Jeff passed a drawing of a proposed highway garage to each Board Member. Tom Fox suggested that a architect be hired. It was agreed that the Board get together and check out other town's buildings.

NEW BUSINESS

Post Office rent check received - \$512.50

County Treasurer - Dog Fees - Check received for \$111.74

NYMIR refund check - Adjustment to premium, check for \$62.00

Final Sales Tax for 2007- check received \$30,865.21

List of payments from the Treasurer's Office to the Town in 2007:

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| Surplus dog tax | \$ 87.15 |
| 5 th payment- 2006(Sales Tax) | \$ 21,737.10 |
| Sales Tax 2007 | \$304,063.99 |
| Mortgage Tax | <u>\$ 16,673.18</u> |
| Total | \$342,561.42 |

Agreement with Cortland County Real Property - A resolution is needed for an agreement with Cortland County Real Property Tax Services for assessment services January 1,2008 through December 31, 3011. Also for Nedra Griswold to be the Town's assessor through Cortland County RPTS.

Motion made by Dave Morse, seconded by Tom Fox

RESOLUTION #10: To authorize Betty Ann Pitman, as Town Supervisor, to sign the agreement with Cortland County Real Property Tax Services for the period of January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2011.

Jim Doring(aye) Tom Fox(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye)

Motion made by Peter Knapp, seconded by Jim Doring

RESOLUTION #11: To hire Nedra Griswold, through the Cortland County Real Property Services, to be the Town's assessor for the period of January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2011.

Jim Doring(aye) Tom Fox(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye)

Bob Duell, County Fire Coordinator -Bob Duell of Cortland County Fire and Emergency Management would like to put a UHF paging system on the tower behind the Town Hall. Following discussion, permission will be given to him to use the tower at no expense to the Town.

Motion made by Tom Fox, seconded by Dave Morse
RESOLUTION #12: To give Cortland County Fire and Emergency Management authorization to put a UFH paging system on the tower behind the Town Hall with no expense to the Town of Preble or Cortland County.

Jim Doring(aye) Tom Fox(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye)

Budget amendment to close books; resolution needed.

Motion made by Peter Knapp, seconded by Tom Fox
RESOLUTION #13: To amend the budget as needed as of December 31st in both the General Fund and the Highway Fund

Jim Doring(aye) Tom Fox(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye)

GENERAL FUND

Debit (decrease) Est. Appropriations (960) \$4,716.00
(Subsidiary - A1990.4 - Contingent)

Credit(increase) Est. Appropriations (960)
(Subsidiary -A1110.4 - Justice - Contr. \$1,147.00
(Subsidiary - A1110-41 - Justice - data entry \$1,990.00
(Subsidiary - A1220.4 - Supervisor, contr. 439.00
(Subsidiary -A1355.41 - Assessor, contr. 635.00
(Subsidiary - A1680.4 - Computer, contr. 25.00
(Subsidiary - A8010.4 - Zoning. Contract 480.00

To balance accounts for year-end by using Contingent money

Debit(increase) Appropriate Reserves (A511) \$58,325.35

Credit(increase) Est. Appropriations (960) \$58,325.35
(Subsidiary - A5132.2R - Construction

To amend budget to use reserve money for Salt Storage Shed construction

HIGHWAY FUND

Debit(decrease) Est. Appropriations (DA960) \$4,141.00
(Subsidiary - DA5110.41 = General Repairs, contr-equip rental \$2,093.00
(Subsidiary - DA5130.4 - Machinery, contr \$2,048.00

Credit(increase) Est. Appropriations (DA960)
(Subsidiary - DA5110.42 - General repairs, contr. -fuel 573.00
(Subsidiary - DA5112.2 - Capital outlay 1,520.00
(Subsidiary -DA5120.4 - Bridges, contr 233.00
(Subsidiary -DA5142.4 - Snow removal, contr 1,815.00

To balance accounts for year-end by using unused appropriations for accounts underbudgeted

Dog Contract - No final word from the SPCA on their contract. There have been many changes made in the contract and Betty Ann has contacted them. It was suggested that she contact Paul Burhans for a quote. Item tabled.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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APPROVE GENERAL AND HIGHWAY BILLS

Motion made by Peter Knapp, seconded by Tom Fox
RESOLUTION #14 To pay the General Fund Vouchers, Abstract No. 2, Nos. 21to46, totaling \$5,621.22

Jim Doring (aye) Tom Fox(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye)

Motion made by Tom Fox, seconded by Jim Doring
RESOLUTION #15: To pay the Highway Fund Vouchers, Abstract No. 2, Nos. 11 to 17, totaling \$3,518.99

Jim Doring(aye) Tom Fox(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye)

There being no further business, Betty Ann asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Dave, seconded by Peter; meeting adjourned at 9:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Unofficial 2/11/2008
Official 3/10/2008

Jane W. Davenport
Town Clerk