

On Monday, May 9, 2011, the Preble Town Board held its regular monthly meeting. The meeting was called to order by the Supervisor, Jim Doring, with the salute to the flag at 8:05.

Board members present: Debra Brock, Tom Fox, Peter Knapp, and Dave Morse, Councilmen

Others present: Don Armstrong, Jeff Griswold, Calvin Griswold, Ken Brock, Anthony George, Dan O'Shea, John Steger, Jim Millis, Bill Luetz, Mike Colvin, Nate Shirley and Joe Heath

CORRECTIONS/APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Motion made by Tom Fox, seconded by Dave Morse
RESOLUTION #33: To accept the April 11, 2011 meeting minutes and the Public Hearing minutes as submitted
Debra Brock(aye) Tom Fox(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

DOG CONTROL: -2 dog picked up and returned to owner.

JUSTICE REPORT: -\$9,655.00 submitted to the Town for April

HIGHWAY REPORT:

- Roads:**
 - The culverts on Williams Road are being replaced on Tuesday and Wednesday.
 - The Southern Tier consortium has Preble scheduled for a "windshield" road survey in 2012.
- Equipment**
 - Jeff would like permission to send the 2005 Chevy pick-up to auction when the replacement arrives.
- Personnel:**
 - Jeff has hired Dave Putnam for the summer. He carries a CDL and is a heavy equipment operator.
 - PESH training is done for the year.
- Other:**
 - Town clean-up will be Friday, May 20th and Saturday, May 21st from 7:00 - 3:30. (Closed from 12:00 - 12:30) It is also posted on the Website.
 - The post for the historical marker has been installed on Currie Road. It will be painted and the sign installed by the end of the week.
 - The speed limit signs on Route 281 have been changed to reflect the new speed zone.
 - When time allows, the crew has been working at the park to get the items on NYMIR's list completed.

RECREATION:

- Babe's report was read.
- The park has been rolled; a big difference mowing. Tom Pitman donated his time. (A thank you note should be sent)
- The water tested okay.
- Hank has hooked up the plumbing; 2 new faucets are coming
- New Stove was purchased and has been installed by Hank
- Supplies have been purchased and picked up
- Mowing is going strong
- Ball teams have been practicing; sign up sheets have been posted for girls' softball
- Garage sales scheduled for June 4th

COUNTY LEGISLATURE : John stated that there will be redistricting in the County for 2012 due to the recent census. Preble and Scott will stay the same

ZONING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT -

- 0 Building Permit issued
- 78 miles traveled for the Town
- 5 Building inspections
- 24 hours worked
- 2 Fire Inspection
- 2 complaint follow-ups
- 19 telephone inquiries

PLANNING BOARD - Meeting - May 25th @7:00 (Wednesday)
ZBA - Meeting - June 2nd @7:30

HISTORIAN - -Anne is absent

TOWN CLERK: -Fees collected \$279.00; \$239.60 disbursed to the Town of Preble; \$27.40 to NYS DEC and \$12.00 to be held until the County Clerk and Town Clerk's decide on the Animal Population Control money.

DON ARMSTRONG :

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Newsletter - The Spring Newsletter should be in the mail the week of May 23rd.

Memorial Day Parade - Rev. Hicks, interim pastor at the Preble Congregational Church has agreed to do the prayers .

DOT Speed Limits - An April 13th letter received from the NYS DOT indicates that after their second review, they have determined that the 35 MPH speed limit on Preble Road is appropriate, and a further reduction is not warranted at this time. Extending the 45 MPH limit farther south on Route 2812 is also not warranted at this time. The DOT will install a "Speed Limit 45 MPH Ahead" sign for northbound traffic in advance of the existing 45 MPH speed zone.

Farmland Protection - right to farm law- Peter commented on the 2-town meeting held recently. He stated that there were good recommendations, good discussions and no objections. The next 3-town meeting will be Monday, May 16th.

Debra commented on the 3-town meeting held recently. The boards were complimented on a job well done. A revised draft for the Agriculture and Farmland Protection Plan for the towns of Homer, Preble and Scott is finished and there are copies in the Town Hall entryway for interested parties to pick up. She mentioned that the Local Law regarding the Right to Farm Life Law is needed. Attorney Armstrong will check his files for a copy of the Local Law which pertains to the Right to Farm Life Law.

Church Sign -No decision has been received yet.

Code of Ethics - Board of Ethics -The Local Law for the Code of Ethics was adopted at the April meeting and has been filed by the State. The Board of Ethics will be comprised of at least three members, the majority of whom shall not be Town Representatives, but shall include at least one member who is a Town Representative. The consensus of the Board is to advertise to see who is interested in being on the Board of Ethics. This is an appointed position for term of five years.

Website - genealogy software - Sue Wright feels that this would be advantageous to all who are working on their family genealogy and there are grants available. Debra Brock has offered to do the paperwork for the grant which has to be filed by July 10th. An answer should be received by the end of July.

NEW BUSINESS

June 4 - Community Yard Sale - Donna Wheelock heads the project

CNY Regional Planning & Development Board - Grant Disbursement Agreement - A grant application has been completed. This grant money will be used to make the Town Hall building energy efficient. The project pilot committee consists of Lynn Webb, Jeff Griswold, and Jay Currie. They will oversee what work can be done. There is a 3-year commitment and the Board would like ideas. There was a discussion of what Preble's obligations would be.

Motion made by Peter Knapp, seconded by Dave Morse

RESOLUTION #34: To grant permission to Supervisor, James Doring , to sign the Grant Disbursement Agreement, In the matter of: Central New York /Climate Change Innovation Program.

Debra Brock(aye) Tom Fox(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye)

Post Office check received - \$512.50

Thoma Development - Re: Russell & Beverly Morse - A letter has been received from Thoma Development regarding Mr. & Mrs. Morse's intended participation in the CDBG Program. The HUD regulation 24 CFR 570.489(h) prohibits the participation of any employee, agent, officer, elected or appointed official or any person with the have business or family ties from participating in the CDBG Program without a waiver of the Conflict of Interest requirements. Mr. & Mrs. Morse are parents of Dave Morse who is a Council Person.

Peter Knapp spoke, stating that the Morses have been residents of the Preble Community for years and should not be prohibited from participating in the program simply because their son sits on the Board, and it appears that whether or not they are allowed to participate in the program is based upon criteria that Thoma Development follows. Debra Brock and Tom Fox are in agreement.

Motion made by Peter Knapp, seconded by Tom Fox

RESOLUTION #35: To grant permission to Thoma Development Consultants to prepare a letter to the State for a waiver of the Conflict of Interest request for Russell & Beverly Morse's participation in the CDBG Program.

Debra Brock(aye) Tom Fox(aye) Peter Knapp(aye)

Dave Morse(Abstain)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Bill Luety mentioned that there was a typo error on the website regarding Amnesty Days
- Jim Millis stated that the Right to Farm Life Law was instituted during his term as Council Person
- Debra Brock is asking Attorney Armstrong about 'lead agency'; lead agency picked by case-by-case application-by-application project,
- Jim Doring - asking Attorney Armstrong about volunteers for the Town ; advised to contact NYMIR for guidelines

- Nate Shirley is present with his paperwork for a major subdivision (over 5 lots) and asking for an Aquifer Protection Permit which is designated to protect the aquifer. He has contacted the County Planning Board and County Health Department , and completed the long form SEQR stating a negative declaration. Supervisor Doring is asking Nate to submit a written letter with his paperwork attached so the Board can review it before the June meeting.

APPROVE GENERAL & HIGHWAY BILLS

Motion made by Dave Morse, seconded by Peter Knapp

RESOLUTION #36: To pay the General Fund Vouchers, Abstract No. 5, Nos. 96 to 121, totaling \$13,825.52

Debra Brock(aye) Tom Fox(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye)

Motion made by Debra Brock, seconded by Dave Morse

RESOLUTION #37: To pay the Highway Fund Vouchers, Abstract No. 5, Nos. 33 to 42, totaling \$5,660.12

Debra Brock(aye) Tom Fox(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye)

There being no further business, Jim asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Dave, seconded by Tom; meeting adjourned at 9:13.

Respectfully submitted.

Unofficial 5/09/2011
Official

Jane W. Davenport
Town Clerk