

On Monday, February 11, 2013, 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 8:00.

Board members present: Debra Brock, Peter Knapp, Dave Morse, and Linda Riehlman, Councilmen

Others present: Don Armstrong, Jeff Griswold, Calvin Griswold, Ken Brock, Jay Currie, Donnell Boyden, Tony George, Al Socha, Evelyn Petit, Thomas Hourican, Deborah Putman, Loretta Nye, Lawrence Nye, Nancy Dalley, Charles Dalley, Dave Smith, and Wayne Davis from Mirabito.

CORRECTIONS/APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Motion made by Debra Brock, seconded by Linda Riehlman
RESOLUTION #9: To accept the January 14, 2013 meeting minutes as submitted
Debra Brock(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye) Linda Riehlman(aye)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

DOG CONTROL: -No report received

JUSTICE REPORT: -\$7,830.00 submitted to the Town for January

HIGHWAY REPORT: Roads:

-Jeff has faxed in requests to repair the street lights on Friendly Shores and Wetmore Road for a second time.

Equipment:

-The radio system has been delayed. Portable usage should go on-line in April, full system by mid June

-#1 is getting some body work done at this time

-#4's compressor has been replaced.

-#5 had some front-end suspension issues. New torsion bars and shocks has been installed. Also the rear brakes have been replaced.

-Jeff would like a resolution for a permissive referendum to use up to \$90,000. For a new wheel loader. He would also like a resolution to purchase the loader pending the outcome of the referendum.

Shop:

-Jeff recently went to the Town of Niles and looked at their new shop.(4 bays)

Personnel:

-Jeff's Grand Jury Duty will end March 1st

Other:

-There has been 2 meetings about the next phase of the Town Hall Project. Jeff would like a resolution to advertise for RFP's for the Sheetrock, electrical and the belfry if the committee has them done before the next meetings.

-The HVAC thermostats seem to be working much better

-Jeff has removed snow off the solar panels 4 times so far; it makes a big difference in power production.

- Jeff has just received a letter from NYS DOT. They are planning deck repair on Song Lake Crossing in 2014.

-Word has just been received that Cortland County has been awarded a \$6 Million grant for the radio project which is expected to be complete by June 2013.

RECREATION: -

COUNTY LEGISLATURE

-Legislator, Donnell Boyden, stated that the Landfill project will be discussed at the February 26th CCTVS meeting which is open to the public. Don Chambers will give an overview of the Solid Waste Program and discuss the various issues that affect operations and taxpayer dollars.

-The Little York Dam project is going forward.

ZONING & CODE ENFORCEMENT:

December Report

- 2 building permits issued
- 45 miles traveled for the Town
- 7 Building inspections
- 15 hours worked
- 1 Fire inspection
- 4 Complaint follow-ups
- 15 telephone inquiries

PLANNING BOARD: -Meeting February 27th (Wednesday) @7:00

ZBA -Meeting March 7th (Thursday) @7:30

HISTORIAN: -Anne is absent

TOWN CLERK: -\$281.00 - fees collected in January. Disbursed \$267.00 to the Town of Preble, and \$14.00 to NYS Ag & Markets.

NEW BUSINESS

Nye Block Grant -Lawrence and Loretta Nye are present regarding the Block Grant on Malcolm Nye's house. Due to Malcolm's death, the property has been put in Lawrence's name. They are asking about cleaning the house up and renting it to someone other than a relative. Also, can the lien on the home be forgiven?. Loretta has spoken to Annette Huskins of Thoma Development Consultants regarding the matter and she was told that the decision was up to the Town Board. After discussion, the Board agrees to have the lien forgiven.

Motion made by Debra Brock, seconded by Linda Riehlman
RESOLUTION #10: The Town Board exercises its right to forgive the obligation of the lien of the Block Grant monies received for the Malcolm Nye property at 6793 Steger Road due to the untimely death of Malcolm.
Debra Brock(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye) Linda Riehlman(aye)

Mirabito Propane Storage - Wayne Davis, representing Mirabito, is here to tell the Board of Mirabito's plan to place a 30,000 gallon Propane tank behind the Paul Bunyan facility. They would like to have this tank installed in the Spring. He was informed that he would have to go before the Planning Board on February 27, and complete a Site Plan Review. Don Armstrong is not sure if an Aquifer Permit is necessary.

Residential Rental Inspections requested by Rick - Rick has submitted a list of suggestions to the Board for their review. He will attend the March meeting.

Megan Neuman - Softball dugouts - Letter received from Megan and Matt Neuman was given to Babe Carroll. They are looking for donations for the Homer School Softball fields.

Received \$538.17 from USPS

Received \$35,674.81 from Cortland County - Sales Tax

Permissive referendum to purchase CAT Loader: Jeff is stating that the current machine was purchased in 2006 for \$93,000. State bid on a used machine is \$142,000; would allow \$80,000. trade in.

Motion made by Peter Knapp, seconded by Linda Riehlman
RESOLUTION #11: To transfer \$90,000 from Equipment Fund for the purchase of a CAT loader subject to public referendum
Debra Brock(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye) Linda Riehlman(aye)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Reappoint Dan O'Shea to ZBA

Motion made by Peter Knapp, seconded by Linda Riehlman
RESOLUTION #12: To reappoint Dan O'Shea to the ZBA for 5 years (2017)
Debra Brock(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye) Linda Riehlman(aye)

Appoint Nancy Dalley to ZBA

Motion made by Peter Knapp, seconded by Linda Riehlman
RESOLUTION #13: To appoint Nancy Dalley to the ZBA for 1 year(2013) to fulfill the term of Kay Vossler, who has resigned.
Debra Brock(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye) Linda Riehlman(aye)

List of criteria for 2013:

Town Board meetings will be held throughout the year of 2013 at 8:00 p.m. on the second Monday of the month in the Town Hall of the Town of Preble

Official newspaper - Cortland Standard

Official Bank - Alliance Bank

Attorney's - the firm of Pomeroy, Armstrong, Casullo and Monty. Don Armstrong with the Town Board, ZBA and Planning Board

Utility Bills will be paid in advance as necessary when the due date is before the Town Board regular meeting

Salaries - Town Officials and contracts as stated in the budget of 2013 will be paid monthly, semi-monthly or annually

Mileage - (For Town business, outside of Town) \$.50 per mile

Review - Investment & Procurement Policy to remain the same

Town Superintendent of Highways is authorized to purchase equipment, tools and implements during the year without prior approval of the Town Board; the amount is \$1000.

Motion made by Linda Riehlman, seconded by Peter Knapp

**RESOLUTION #14: To accept the list of criteria for 2013 presented by Supervisor, James Doring
Debra Brock(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye) Linda Riehlman(aye)**

Time restrictions for inactive applications (e.g. Nate Shirley) - Tabled to March meeting

Town Hall Renovations - temporary offices? - At this time, the temporary offices are planning to be set up in the fire station. Jeff will be checking with the Fire Commissioners at the Thursday night meeting to see if acceptable. Will check the procurement policy for the costs of the belfry and the electrical upgrade.

Ricky McClure - Sustainable Cortland is planning a week of activities April 16th to April 22nd. April 20th is the date that has been set for tours of the Town Hall. Deb has suggested that Sam Gordon and Brian Pincelli of CNY Regional Planning and Development be invited. She suggested Jay and Jeff as tour guides and she has also volunteered.

Moratorium on gas drilling - Following much discussion, the Supervisor will ask for volunteers from each of the Boards to be on a committee to review the code. Attorney Armstrong has been asked to draft a Moratorium for the March meeting.

Farmland Protection Plan - Dan Dineen of the CC Planning Department is asking for a decision from the Board on whether or not to approve the Homer, Preble and Scott Agricultural and Farmland Protection Plan to send to the NYS Commissioner of Agriculture & Markets.

Motion made by Debra Brock, seconded by Dave Morse

**RESOLUTION #15: To approve the Agriculture and Farmland Protection Plan for the towns of
Preble, Homer and Scott
Debra Brock(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye) Linda Riehlman(aye)**

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Evelyn Petit, Al Socha, and Deb Putman expressed their concerns regarding the gas drilling.. They all agree that a Moratorium should be put in place as soon as possible.

APPROVE GENERAL AND HIGHWAY BILLS

Motion made by Debra Brock, seconded by Dave Morse

**RESOLUTION #16: To pay the General Fund Vouchers, Abstract No. 2, Nos. 19 to 38, totaling
\$5,907.75**

Debra Brock(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye) Linda Riehlman(aye)

Motion made by Linda Riehlman, seconded by Peter Knapp

**RESOLUTION #17: To pay the Highway Fund Vouchers, Abstract No. 2, Nos. 7 to 13, totaling
\$9,490.57**

Debra Brock(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye) Linda Riehlman(aye)

There being no further business, Jim asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Dave, seconded by Debra, meeting adjourned at 9:35.

Respectfully submitted,

Unofficial 02/11//2013
Official

Jane W. Davenport
Town Clerk