

On Monday, November 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 8:05.

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

Others present: Ken Brock, Jeff Griswold, Garry VanGorder, Darren Fuller, Reed Fuller, Ben Essig, Hadwer Fuller, Calvin Griswold, Nancy Baldwin, Al Socha, Rose Socha, M David Smith, John Troy, Mike Park, Jay Currie, Joe Heath, Tarki Heath, Nancy Ruscio, Tony George, Jim Millis, Jim Coyne, Terry Orr, Deb Putnam, M. David Smith

**Proposed Propane Storage Facility** -Garry VanGorder of the Cortland County IDA explained he was contacted by the railroad about getting a state grant for a rail siding (\$200,000.) in May but did not know what the project was for. The timing requirements for this grant application was the end of May so he used his own judgement to go ahead with the grant application without contacting the Board. Deputy Supervisor Knapp responded with the fact that NETS came to the Board prior to their purchasing the Bestdeck property and the Board was invited to their facility. He is quite concerned that the Board has heard nothing about the propane project.

Darren Fuller, representing the family-owned business (HBDR); took the floor stating that there is a pipeline running through this area where they would get their supply of propane. He stated that he does not own land in the Town of Preble so he couldn't contact the Boards. He also stated that propane is the green energy of the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Dave Smith asked how many trucks would be carrying propane, which Mr. Fuller answered 12, and there would be 10 jobs created. He again stated that this is a family-owned business and is in no way connected to World Fuel Services. Asked the size of the tanks, he remarked a maximum 500,000 to 700,000 gallons. Asked where the truck would be traveling, he stated that the entrance and exit would be on Route 11. There will probably be a need for fire training

Supervisor Doring asked Mr. Fuller how he intends to build on this property as it is agriculture. Answered he would ask for a special use variance.

Supervisor Doring announced that the Local Law #3 of 2013 regarding Large Scale Propane Facilities has been sent the County Planning Board.

**Mike Park - Chairman, Cortland County Legislature** - Mike Park and John Troy spoke on the 'Trash to Ash' . Cortland County has an Intermunicipal Agreement with Onondaga County for a 15 year contract with a 5 year option.. It was stated that 23,000 tons of trash would equal 90,000 tons of ash! **Mike Park** made the remark that this would be 'Good for the County'.

**Nancy Ruscio -Homer School District Superintendent** - Nancy Ruscio presented the Board with a powerpoint program of **Facilities Improvement Project**. Following a recent inspection of the schools, there were many areas of concern in all 4 schools: Homer High School, Homer Intermediate School, Homer Elementary School and Hartnett School in Truxton; to make these schools safe for future generations. The cost of the project being \$20.9 million will be up for vote in August.

Supervisor Doring thanked Nancy for coming to the meeting.

#### **CORRECTIONS/APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**Motion made by Debra Brock, seconded by Linda Riehlman**  
**RESOLUTION #78: To approve the October 14, 2013 regular meeting minutes as submitted;**  
**Debra Brock(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye) Linda Riehlman(aye)**

**Motion made by Linda Riehlman, seconded by Peter Knapp**  
**RESOLUTION #79: To approve the November 4, 2013 Public Hearing 2014 Budget minutes as submitted**  
**Debra Brock(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye) Linda Riehlman(aye)**

**Motion made by Peter Knapp, seconded by Dave Morse**  
**RESOLUTION #80: To approve the November 4, 2013 Special Meeting minutes re Bestdeck as submitted**  
**Debra Brock(aye), Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye) Linda Riehlman(aye)**

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**DOG CONTROL:** -October - 1 dog surrendered to shelter  
2 dogs adopted - \$20.00 adoption fees

**JUSTICE REPORT:** -\$6,372.00 submitted to the Town for October

**HIGHWAY REPORT: Roads:**

-Contract to plow County Roads. Certificate of insurance naming the County is also required

**Equipment:**

-Replaced the power steering pump, lines, rotors and pads on #5  
-Unexpectedly had to replace the radiator and 1 front hub on #3

**Shop:**

**Other:**

-Santa Claus at the firehouse is scheduled for December 7<sup>th</sup>  
-There is a meeting with Amanda Sopchak on Monday, Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> at 4:15  
-There is a Storm Water meeting at the County Office Building Tuesday at 2:30  
-CCTVS Next Meeting is November 12<sup>th</sup>  
-The Domestic water tank in the Town Hall has been replaced.(It was leaking)

**RECREATION:**

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**COUNTY LEGISLATURE** -Mr. Boyden is absent

**ZONING & CODE ENFORCEMENT:**

**October Report**

- 1 building permit issued  
-64 miles traveled for the Town  
- 9 Building inspections  
-27 hours worked  
- 2 Fire inspections  
- 0 Complaint follow-ups  
-36 Telephone inquiries

**PLANNING BOARD:** -Meeting -November 20<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday) @7:00

**ZBA** -Meeting -December 5<sup>th</sup> (Thursday) @7:30

**HISTORIAN:** -Anne is absent

**TOWN CLERK:** -\$473.00 - fees collected in October. Disbursed \$269.81 to the Town of Preble, \$16.00 to NYS Ag & Markets, \$22.50 to NYS Dept. of Health, and \$164.69 to NYS DEC

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Preble Gas Drilling Advisory Committee** Supervisor Doring stated that 2 meetings have been held and the recommendation is to revise the Zoning Code Ordinance. The Board should submit a copy to the County Planning Board. It was also noted that the Comprehensive Plan should also be looked at. Don will redline a copy and send to Jim Doring.

**2014 Town Budget** - The Budget has been approved for 2014.

**Motion made by Peter Knapp, seconded by Debra Brock**

**RESOLUTION #81: To adopt the tentative budget for 2014 as presented**

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

**Open Meeting Law** - Deb Brock presented the Board with a draft of rules and policies regarding publications of agendas and minutes for the Town Board , Planning Board and ZBA to review before the December meeting.

**Farmland Protection** - Subject will be on the December agenda

**Records Management/Vault Renovation** - Supervisor Doring has received quotes from TAG Mechanical to fix the heat/air conditioning problem in the vault. After some discussion, Peter Knapp stated it would be better if the vault was kept separate from the building's system.

**Motion made by Peter Knapp, seconded by Linda Riehlman**

**RESOLUTION #82: To authorize Supervisor Doring to contact TAG Mechanical regarding the heat/air conditioning unit for the vault**

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

**ZBA Variance Application** - Al Socha has spent many hours putting together a new ZBA Variance Application which will replace the current application forms. The Board has reviewed the form and are approving it.

**Motion made by Peter Knapp, seconded by Linda Riehlman**  
**RESOLUTION #83: To approve the new Zoning Board of Appeals Variance Application which**  
**has been presented by Al Socha, effective immediately**  
**Debra Brock(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye) Linda Riehlman(aye)**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Monies Received** -\$25,000.00 from Senator Seward for Town Hall Renovations  
 \$110,612.38 - 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter Sales Tax  
 \$538.17 from Post Office

**Budget Amendments:**

**Motion made by Peter Knapp, seconded by Debra Brock**  
**RESOLUTION #84: To accept the budget amendments received from the Bookkeeper for both the**  
**General Fund and the Highway Fund to balance accounts**  
**Debra Brock(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye) Linda Riehlman(aye)**

**GENERAL FUND(A)**

Debit(increase) Revenues(A510)		\$5,624.00
Subsidiary - A3389 - State Aid, Public Safety		
Debit(decrease) Est. Appropriations(A960)		\$ 862.00
Subsidiary - A1990.A Contingent		
Credit(increase) Est. Appropriations(A960)		\$ 6,486.00
Subsidiary - A1110.4 Justice, contr.		
“ -A1110.42 Justice, contr. Grant	\$ 207.00	
“ -A1355.41 Assessor, contr.	\$5,624.00	
“ - A3510.42 Dog Control, contr.	\$ 365.00	
“ - A3310.4 Traffic signs, contr.	\$ 150.00	
“ - A7550.4 Celebrations, contr.	\$ 3.00	
“ - A8010.41 Zoning, contr.	\$ 110.00	
“ - A8010.41 Zoning, contr.	\$ 26.00	

To amend budget by using contingent money and received Justice Grant money to balance accounts

**HIGHWAY FUND(DA)**

Debit(increase) Appropriated Reserves(DA511)		\$ 90,000.00
Debit(increase) Est. Revenues(DA510)		\$ 12,500.00
Subsidiary - DA33333501 CHIPS		
Debit(increase) Appropriated Fund Balance(DA599)		\$ 10,066.00
Credit(increase) Est. Appropriations(DA960)		\$112,566.00
Subsidiary-DA5110.1 General Repairs, wages		
“ -DA5110.41 General Repairs, contr.	\$ 9,546.00	
“ -DA5112.2 Capital Outlay	\$ 464.00	
“ -DA5130.2R Machinery equipment-reserve	\$12,500.00	
“ -DA9050.8 Unemployment Insurance	\$90,000.00	
“ -DA9050.8 Unemployment Insurance	\$ 56.00	

To amend budget by using Capital Equipment Reserve, increase in CHIPS aid and fund balance to balance accounts.

Debra Brock is speaking, requesting a special meeting regarding the Moratorium. This meeting will be Monday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 8:00.

**Motion made by Linda Riehlman, seconded by Debra Brock**  
**RESOLUTION #84: To hold a Special Meeting at the Preble Town Hall, Monday, November 25, 2013**  
**at 8:00 p.m. with respect to the proposed enactment of Local Law #3 of the Town of Preble**  
**providing for a one-year moratorium and prohibition within the Town on Large Scale**  
**Propane Facilities**  
**Debra Brock(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye) Linda Riehlman(aye)**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**APPROVE GENERAL AND HIGHWAY BILLS**

**Motion made by Dave Morse, seconded by Linda Riehlman**  
**RESOLUTION #85: To pay the General Fund Vouchers, Abstract No. 11, Nos. 231 to 257, totaling \$9,008.61**  
**Debra Brock(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye) Linda Riehlman(aye)**

**Motion made by Debra Brock, seconded by Peter Knapp**  
**RESOLUTION #86: To pay the Highway Fund Vouchers, Abstract No. 11, Nos. 111 to 126, totaling \$21,730.70**  
**Debra Brock(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye) Linda Riehlman(aye)**

Supervisor Doring announced that the Board would be going into Executive Session to discuss ongoing litigation regarding Bestdeck

**Motion made by Debra Brock, seconded by Linda Riehlman**  
**RESOLUTION #87: To enter Executive Session at 10:17**  
**Debra Brock(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye) Linda Riehlman(aye)**

**Motion made by Linda Riehlman, seconded by Peter Knapp**  
**RESOLUTION #77: To close Executive Session at 10:23**  
**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 Linda, meeting adjourned at 10:24.

Respectfully submitted,

Unofficial 11/11//2013  
Official

Jane W. Davenport  
Town Clerk