

On Monday, December 8, 2014, the Preble Town Board held its regular monthly meeting. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor, James Doring, with the salute to the flag at 8:00.

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

Others present: Don Armstrong, Jeff Griswold, Calvin Griswold, Ken Brock, Renee Compton, Nancy Baldwin, Dave Griswold, Dan O'Shea, John Steger, Tony George, Al Socha and Robert Nasiatka, Homer Baseball Coach.

In remembrance of Pearl Harbor Day, Supervisor Doring noted that the flag that hangs in the Town Office was given to the Town by John & Cindy Steger who purchased it in Hawaii on the USS Arizona.

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

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

**RESOLUTION #68: To accept the November 5, 2014 Public Hearing for the Preliminary Budget and the November 10, 2014 regular monthly meeting minutes as submitted**

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

## **COMMITTEE REPPORTS:**

**DOG CONTROL:** -No report received

**JUSTICE REPORT** -\$8,134.00 submitted to the Town for November

## **HIGHWAY REPORT: Roads:**

-Approximately 16 ton of sand on the seasonal roads until 12/7/14  
-Tractor Trailers keep parking on Currier Spur. More signs have been put up and asked the Sheriff and State Police to keep an eye on it.

### **Equipment:**

-The replacement for #5 is here. The plow, sander and lights are mounted and the truck is ready to use at any time.

### **Shop:**

-Jeff has talked to Greg Dende several times. He is still working on a hard number for the building.

### **Personnel:**

-Jeff has his men signed up for the new drug testing

### **Other:**

-The shop computer all but crashed Friday. It has been restored and is working well now.

-The trees in the inlet of Tully Lake – Jeff has heard nothing back from DOT or DEC. He will check again this week.

-After many phone calls, Verizon put their wires over onto the new pole on Currie Spur. Jeff is waiting for National Grid to remove the anchor lags.

-The pavilion will be repaired when time allows.

**RECREATION:** -

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

## **ZONING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT:**

### November Report

2 Building Permit Issued

74 Miles traveled for the Town

17 Building Inspections

16 Hours worked

2 Fire Inspections

8 Complaint follow-ups

16 Telephone inquiries

**PLANNING BOARD** – Meeting – December 17th - @7:00 (Wednesday)  
**ZBA** - Meeting – January 8<sup>th</sup> -@7:30 (Thursday)

**HISTORIAN** Anne is absent but left a message that the oldest resident of Preble, Alice Reynolds, passed away November 30<sup>th</sup> at the age of 99. She would have been 100 in January.

**TOWN CLERK:** -\$135.00 collected in November; disbursed \$130.00 to the Town of Preble, and \$5.00 to NYS Ag & Markets

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**David Griswold** – Dave has been approached regarding setting up a solar farm on either side of Route 281 and the Steger Road. (12-15 acres). The zoning was checked and the East side of 281 is commercial and the west side is agriculture. Supervisor Doring will check the Comprehensive Plan. Information regarding a New York State Unified Solar Permit was available for the Board to look at.

**Robert Nasiatka, Homer Baseball Coach** - Mr. Nasiatka explained that the Homer School will be doing renovations for 2 years and asking if the park ball field could be used to hold practice sessions 1 – 2 times a week. There would be 15 to 30 people (students and coaches). They would start March 10<sup>th</sup>; 3:30 – 4:00, with the Varsity team and some Junior Varsity. He also mentioned that they would manicure the field. Supervisor Doring has checked with Preble insurance carrier, NYMIR. Mr. Nasiatka will furnish the Town with their insurance information. The Supervisor Doring would like to see the field used. He will notify Mr. Nasiatka of the Board’s decision after the January Board Meeting.

**Karl Ochs** – Attorney Armstrong stated there will be 2 payments made in the first quarter of 2015; one in February and one in March. This will retire the balance owed.

**Recreation Committee** – Supervisor Doring announced that the current Recreation Committee would be disbanded. Peter Knapp is not in favor. He is suggesting that the committee include 1 Board Member and meet with them 3 times; holding 2 meetings in December. Peter has volunteered to work with the committee. Deb Brock is also suggesting that Supervisor Doring also attend the meetings and also stated that since the Youth Program will be held again in 2015, it is time to start planning. Supervisor Doring gave permission to Renee to start her program.

Deb Brock remarked that the Recreation Committee should serve at the pleasure of the Town Board. She also stated that there was a lot of negativity with the current recreation committee.

Appointments for 2015 Recreation Committee will be made at the January 2015 meeting.

**Cortland County Real Property Tax Assessment Workshop** - A workshop will be set up so that all Boards will be able to attend. Randy Deal and Dan Dineen said they would be happy to entertain the workshop. The Board will support the program and it would be beneficial to all. Information will be available on the Website.

**Monies received:** \$538.17 – USPS  
\$4,229.27 – Cortland County Snow Removal  
\$458.75 – NE Transformers

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**Dave Smith** – Stating that the usage/guidelines of the park were written in the late 70’s

**John Steger** – Regarding Solar Farm – Asking Commercial? /Tax Free?

**Jeff Griswold** – 12/14 Christmas Party sign up @Uncle Tom’s Store

**Al Socha** – Crucial; rules should be written for use of the park (Rules & Procedures)

**APPROVE GENERAL & HIGHWAY BILLS**

**Motion made by Dave Morse, seconded by Debra Brock**  
**RESOLUTION #69: To pay the General Fund Vouchers, Abstract #12, Nos. 260 to 289,**  
**totaling \$27,789.53**

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

**Motion made by Linda Riehlman, seconded by Peter Knapp**  
**RESOLUTION #70: To pay the Highway Fund Vouchers, Abstract #12, Nos. 106 to 121,**  
**totaling \$84,125.30**

**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 Morse, seconded by Debra Brock; meeting adjourned at 9:05.

Respectfully submitted,

Unofficial 12/08/2014  
Official

Jane W. Davenport  
Town Clerk