

TOWN OF SUMMERHILL
Regular Board Meeting & Public Budget Hearing
December 8, 2009
Town Hall
13606 State Route 90
Locke, NY 13092

Town Board Members Present: Charles Ripley, Supervisor
Christopher Ryan, Councilman
Michael Passalugo, Councilman
Daniel Ripley, Councilman (Late)
Michael Bidwell, Councilman

Town Board Members Absent: None

Other Town Officers Present: John Kirk, Mary Osgood, Robert Amerman, Barb Harvey, Florence Lansdowne, Nick Gavrielides, Jeri Sabo.

Residents: Sandy Morehouse, Dorothy Gavrielides.

Visitors: none

Guests: Scott Babcock, Dempsey Insurance

Recording Secretary: Carol Chase

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Charlie Ripley. All stood for the pledge to the flag.

Minutes of the November 10, 2009 meeting:

Motion 85-2009

Mike Passalugo made a motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Mike Bidwell.

Carried 4 ayes C.Ripley, Ryan, Passalugo, Bidwell
0 nays

REPORTS

A. Town Clerk's Report: Carol Chase, \$193.50 was collected for the month of November.

Motion 86- 2009

Mike Passalugo made a motion to accept the Clerk's Monthly report for November, Chris Ryan seconded.

Carried 4 Ayes C. Ripley, Ryan, Passalugo, Bidwell
0 Nays

B. Supervisor's Report: Charlie Ripley, Balance of Accounts, as of November 30, 2009

Motion 87 -2009

Chris Ryan made a motion to approve the Supervisor's report as presented, seconded by Mike Bidwell.

Carried 4 ayes C. Ripley, Ryan, Passalugo, Bidwell
0 nays

1. General Money Market Fund:	\$80,079.42
2. Highway Money Market Fund:	\$82,290.58
3. General Consolidated Fund:	\$100.00
4. Trust & Agency:	\$100.00
5. Disaster Relief Fund:	\$278.20
6. Ranney Cemetery Fund:	\$602.85
7. Sara Grant Fund:	0.00
8. Fire Protection Fund:	0.00
9. HRAA:	\$1786.18

C. Code Enforcer's Report: No Report

D. Dog Control Report: No Report

- E. Highway Superintendent's Report: John Kirk, Things are closing down for the year, costs are down because of the good weather.
- F. Town Justice Report: No Report
- G. Assessor Report: Heather Garner, Heather gave the board information on the annual reassessment program. Charlie adds it would be more cost effective to do an annual reassessment instead of doing a full revaluation.
Motion 88-2009
Chris Ryan made a motion to do an annual reassessment, Charlie Ripley seconded.
Carried 5 Ayes C. Ripley, D. Ripley, Bidwell, Ryan, Passalugo
0 Nays
- H. Variance Board Report: No Report
- I. Planning Board: Bob Amerman, Bob attended the county planning meeting. He provided a copy of the DEC open burning law.
- J. Board of Assessment Review: No Report
- K. Historians Report: Florence attended the regional meeting in Cazenovia. It Was very interesting and she was able to get some photos of the town in the past.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Bond for State Highways: Scott Babcock, Dempsey Insurance; The State requires liability insurance to work on state roads. There are 2 options, 1. A surety bond, 2. A perm. 1. The perm 1 application is free. There is a perm 17 that is different, a \$270 fee and a bond in place. The perm 1 has 2 different forms that Selective Insurance will fill out. Dempsey's suggests the perm 1. There are no costs and The town can satisfy the state requirements for free. The Board needs to fill out A perm1 every year, then Dempsey's will handle the rest.
Motion 89-2009
Mike Bidwell made a motion to go with the perm 1 option, seconded by Charlie Ripley
Carried 5 Ayes C. Ripley, Bidwell, Ryan, Passalugo, D. Ripley
0 Nays
- B. Fire Support: Homer has negotiated a price of \$ 22,220 for the 2010 year, 2011 and 2012 will be \$ 26,582. We can sign a three year contract or a one year contract. Charlie recommends going with Homer for three years. Chris explained that the costs are higher because the state has mandates equipment has to be replaced within a certain time period. The fire hoses need to be replaced at regular intervals also. One mans gear costs about \$1500. An average town in Cayuga County is paying \$50, 852 per year. Homer also has more staff and most are available immediately.
Motion 90-2009
Mike Bidwell made motion to accept the contract with Homer Fire Department for three years, seconded by Mike Passalugo.
Carried 5 Ayes C. Ripley, Ryan, Passalugo, Bidwell, D. Ripley
0 Nays
- D. New Years Eve Dinner: December 31, 2009 at 6pm, drinks and meat provided.
- E. Flooring for the meeting room:
Motion 91-2009
Mike Bidwell made a motion to award the contract to Wades Flooring, to place vinyl flooring matching the kitchen, in the meeting hall, Charlie Ripley seconded.
Carried 5 Ayes C. Ripley, Bidwell, Passalugo, D. Ripley, Ryan
0 Nays
- F. 2010 Budget:
Motion 92-2009
Mike Bidwell made a motion to accept the Budget, as adjusted, as our Final Budget, seconded by Chris Ryan.
Carried 5 Ayes C. Ripley, Ryan, Bidwell, Passalugo, D. Ripley
0 Nays

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Year End Meeting: The year end meeting will be December 29, 2009 at 6pm.
- B. 2010 Organizational Meeting: The 2010 organizational meeting will take place January 12, 2009 at 7pm.
- C. Bond Requirement for Town Roads used by Gas & Oil Drilling trucks: Board Approval is necessary for adopting as a law the Planning Board proposal. The Planning Board has put together a law that requires gas and oil companies to have a bond to repair any damage done to town roads by their trucks. The Town of Sullivan's law was the basis for the proposal. John Kirk states that it would cost \$ 205,300 to build a new road, so we would have to study to see how much it costs to repair a road per mile and make sure the bond covers it.
Motion 93-2009
Charlie Ripley made a motion to approve the law as written, seconded by Mike Passalugo.
Carried 5 Ayes C. Ripley, Ryan, Bidwell, Passalugo, D. Ripley.
0 Nays
- D. Health Insurance: A new proposal from William Chamberlain covers more and costs less. There would still be an account for each person covering their copays and etc.. What they don't use they can bank. Since the money becomes the employee's as soon as it hits the account, it is recommended that the employer fund it quarterly.
Motion 94-2009
Mike Bidwell made a motion to switch health care providers , seconded by Dan Ripley.
Carried 5 Ayes C. Ripley, Ryan, D. Ripley, Bidwell, Passalugo
0 Nays
- E. Waste Management: We Care has offered a flat rate of 54.00 a month with Pick up of once a month.
Motion 95-2009
Dan Ripley made a motion to change providers and leave it to the Supervisor's Discretion to choose 1 or 2 dumpsters, seconded by Mike Passalugo
Carried 5 Ayes C. Ripley, D. Ripley, Passalugo, Bidwell, Ryan
0 Nays

PAYMENT OF BILLS

There were 21 General account Bills, totaling \$4386.96, and 11 Highway account bills totaling, \$4976.49 presented for payment.

Fire protection was paid \$500.

Motion 96 -2009

Dan Ripley made a motion to approve payment of these bills, seconded by Mike Bidwell.

Carried 5 Ayes C. Ripley, Ryan, Passalugo, D. Ripley, Bidwell

0 nays

The next regular town board meeting will be January 12, 2010 at 7pm.

Motion 97-2009

A motion to adjourn was made by Dan Ripley, seconded by Mike Bidwell

Carried 5 Ayes C. Ripley, Ryan, Passalugo, D. Ripley, Bidwell

0 nays

The meeting was adjourned at 11:33 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol Chase, Town Clerk