

2-17-11 Town Board

Present: DL, JL, KB, JAW, TH

Agenda – KB adds- meeting with police commissioner; old business, wet lands information session update, mass gathering law- status of budget going a line; grant (1/31 meeting)- authorization to apply for. 2 properties for foreclosure- WLT- holds easement on other property. Serious budget overruns for end of 2010. DL held meeting with justices. JL- update- HVME (attorneys); departments getting reports (building and highway) police contract. Date set for arbitration; closing construction fund on cable to get money to correct parties.

Woodland ponds owes us money- never closed (for six number 4 trees and bench)

DL- 31st- Joe- was going to give suggestions. JAW- 2nd DL agenda as modified, all ayes

Public comment- Ray Lunati- Highway department Superintendent- nickel and dime laws we seem to be under Harcourt, land grab, old business- FOIL, wood burning boiler, sign.

Dept. superintendent- necessary for Town residents to be available. 2nd in command needs to be local or within mile limit. Vehicle use out of the Town. All employees should be town

residents? 5-10 cents laws- against residents of Town- purebred dog licensing

Harcourt- it's a wetland, in the flood plain. Land-grab – unethical to buy tax foreclosed- Town shouldn't be able to obtain the land. Wood burning- DEC passed logistics recently- Town should refocus attention elsewhere. 2 neighbors on Burleigh need to get along. Water or dam- lowered 6" from earlier this week. Central Hudson monitoring the situation. FOIL- re: article 78 suits- no responses

Announcements- free tax prep under 4,000. Cancer screenings.

Suny students going to Dominican Republic- fundraiser for 3/4- auction at St. Joes- 630 preview, 730 pm.

Requirements for LL residency- dept. superintendent – and truck- \$3- 5,000- 89- no value put in budget last year for replacement. Wants to bid it out. JAW- moved to authorize- 2nd KB. All ayes. TH- thanks for doing a great job. County- we may marginally be in the positive.

Inventory on salt and sand good.

Dept superintendent- change of residence- not hiring new- moved deputy out of County position. Restructured to put deputy on the road. Went from 1 foreman to 2(1 foreman to become deputy). Deputy supt. No vehicle ever issued- need to have best candidate sitting in. Deputy will oversee all operations of work crew, fill in for highway superintendent. Freeing up superintendents time. JL- compared to dept.of water/sewer we've been breaking the law- we decided as board not to take action- in executive session- 3 members.

KB's memory- no further action- we were not going to pursue- JL- TH called meeting on 1/31- DL- thought we have mike here tonight

JL- TH-

KB- moved for meeting- attorney, TH, JL, MES to go over tense terms and special meeting on 2/7- never.

DL- deal with Mike. JL- doesn't want to be in Monday- complained. DL- move we make a law that allows superintendent to choose his own deputy to be responsible for what action is taken. TH- refer to Town attorney to prepare paperwork.

JL- whole point- last year we overran out legal aspect of budget.

DL-

Mike- wrong person can cost you 3-5,000 per day- if board decides not to move on this- it will cripple the department

JL- if not willing to act as foreman- it's a foreman's position.

JL- paranoia exists within mike and the highway department and other officers- refer to Joe M. DL- moving, 2nd JAW-

KB- people in position of spending Town's money- would like to see chief of police live here and others- well paid employees here- need to have them live here- Mike makes compelling argument, have fought IDA and other entities that take away.

Mike- draft law- entry level positions have residential requirements

JAW- like limiting labor pool- in our best interest not to have residents- let us refer to counsel. Too far reaching or make exception for this position- not individual.

KB- stipends- \$7500 included(was part of mike's budget).

JL- keep the dollars- jobs should stay here and in this economy spending money on local law

Mike- anything new- tired of all the politics

JL- how about posting

TH- detriment- that person no longer appointed- 2 no's JL, KB, -3 ayes

TH- should we be requiring that all available Serv hires have residents.

Lynn- how many employees are Town Residents?

JL- move up to- refer to Lori Mithen Masten at association of towns. Moved to refer to Lori Dimasi; 2nd, all ayes, 1 no TH

TH responded

Prepay q- postpone

Kniffen annex- he is not here- put off- KB- confusing- county has lots of questions

TH- this letter was notice of LEAD agency- we declared it an unlisted action- Village said it type 2 action.

KB-

TH- no Floyd- put off until next week. KB- put off until next month

TH- would feel more comfortable with legal representation

KB- where applicant pays attorneys fees? Yes. KB- if Town and Village were to consol what happens if they conceded to it, to zoning? TH- Town would adopt zoning to ___ ask TH. TH will ask for escrow from Floyd.

Fire contract- TH reached out to Village to move it along- they didn't approve of our changes, she felt we should go back to our language of contract. We need to set a public hearing on this language confusion on amount- she used figures from Village attorney- but can confirm figures before public hearing notice goes out. KB- it was \$243,000 a year before stuff went up

KB- moved we set public hearing for amend original amount to be confirmed next week, 2nd

JAW- 7:15pm on 3/17/11. KB seeking accounting via supervisor.