

May 2, 2011-Work Session

The Work Session of the Town Board of the Town of Dickinson was called to order on Monday, May 2, 2011 at 5:33 pm by Supervisor Michael A. Marinaccio in the Town Hall, 531 Old Front Street, Binghamton, New York.

The members of the Town Board present were:

Michael A. Marinaccio, Supervisor
Danny F. Morabito, Councilman
Thomas J. Burns, Councilman
Sharon Exley, Councilwoman

Also in attendance was:

Oliver N. Blaise III, Esq., Town Attorney
Tonyia M. Baldwin, Deputy Town Clerk

SUPERVISOR REPORT

Supervisor Michael Marinaccio talked about all the flooding in various area of the Town of Dickinson including Chenango Shores and Deyo Hill. Drainage issues along the borders with the Town of Chenango and Village of Johnson City may be contributing to Dickinson's problems. Contacts will be made with officials from those municipalities to see if these problems can be resolved.

The City of Binghamton has asked Supervisor Marinaccio if the Town of Dickinson Highway Department would help with snow removable around the Downs Avenue area. Per Supervisor Marinaccio there will be a discussion to work out the cost. If the Town of Dickinson is interested then this will go to the Board for approval.

Supervisor Marinaccio stated the N.Y.M.I.R. has issued a refund check for the dollar amount of \$2,299.36 this was for Capitol Returns Dollars.

It is anticipated that one of the Towns Court Clerks will be out of work for approximately six weeks during the summer, so an interim Court Clerk will be appointed on a part-time basis to assist with the Court's business during that time.

The Binghamton University students have completed their study concerning the Town's options for obtaining its own water supply. A copy of this study will be provided to the Town Engineer Ron Lake, Highway Commissioner Joel Kie and Deputy Highway Commissioner Danny Miller for review and comments. It was a job well done.

After 30 years with the Town of Dickinson Cheryl DePofi will be retiring from her position as Town Clerk on May 27, 2011. Sherry would like to thank all that have supported her throughout the years of service with the Town of Dickinson.

Supervisor Marinaccio stated that he has not heard anything further concerning the Meadow Woods Village development, but another developer remains interested in pursuing another senior housing development on Glenwood Road.

The Road Preservation Law that the Town of Dickinson has just passed has brought forth many call to Supervisor Marinaccio. For the most part the calls have been very positive.

Supervisor Marinaccio expressed concern with the Town of Dickinson news letter. Omitted was the Clerks Corner. This will be able to be viewed on the Town of Dickinson's web site.

ATTORNEY

Attorney Oliver Blaise will revise the Sales Tax Resolution for next weeks meeting. Corrections will be sent to Supervisor Marinaccio for review.

Attorney Blaise inquired into the Garbage Contract for the district of Prospect Terrace. The contract has to be renewed in December of 2011.

Code Enforcement Steve Rafferty was asked by Attorney Blaise on the progress of the demolition of 50 North Broad Street. Mr. Rafferty stated that L.C.P. is working on the demolition of 22 properties in the City of Binghamton and will contact the Town in the near future to confirm the demolition schedule for 50 North Broad Street. Mr. Rafferty noted that the recent wet weather would have made the demolition difficult or impossible to conduct thus far.

As of May 27th Cheryl DePofi will be retiring. A special meeting will be held on May 27, 2011 for the appointment of the next Town of Dickinson Town Clerk. Attorney Blaise will prepare the public notice for that special Board meeting. Mr. Marinaccio will hold a Press release.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Deputy Commissioner Danny Miller reported that 210 Lower Stella Ireland is having sewer back up. The Town of Dickinson is looking into installing a grinder and pump to prevent backflow into the residence from the lateral connection. Mr. Miller will work with Mr. Blaise to prepare a letter the resident concerning the installation of the pump at the Town's expense, but that future maintenance, repairs and replacement will be the resident's responsibility.

Mr. Kie advised that a resident had inquired about the Town's interest in a drainage line along the boundary of 117 Rosedale Drive. After discussion with Mr. Miller and Mr. Blaise it was determined that the Town does not have any interest in this line as it is not

within the Town's right of way and wholly within private property. A letter to that effect will be sent to the resident.

There were no other comments from the other departments.

On a motion by Councilman Morabito the meeting was adjourned at 6:11 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tonyia M. Baldwin
Deputy Town Clerk