

September 12, 2011 – WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING

The Work Session and Regular Meeting of the Town of Dickinson Town Board was called to order with the pledge of allegiance by Supervisor Michael A. Marinaccio at 5:32 PM on Monday, September 12, 2011 in the Town Hall, 531 Old Front St., Binghamton, NY.

This is the third and last of the regular meetings which begins the summer schedule of July, August and September combining our Work Session with the Regular Meeting on the second Monday of those months with a start time of 5:30 P.M.

The members of the Town Board present were:

Michael A. Marinaccio, Supervisor

Danny F. Morabito, Councilman

Thomas J. Burns, Councilman

Stephen M. Gardner, Councilman

Also attending:

Oliver N. Blaise III, Esq., Town Attorney

Wanda R. Broczkowski, Town Clerk

Absent:

Sharon M. Exley, Councilwoman

GARBAGE DISTRICT # - 2012 – 2013 TWO BIDS WERE RECEIVED AND OPENED

Taylor Garbage:

Without White \$198,279.84

With White \$202,279.84

Waste Management:

Without White \$197,990.00

With White \$199,900.00

Attorney Blaise will review each bid to ensure all documents have been prepared properly. The final bid award will be announced at the October 10th meeting. We need the final bid reflected in the November Taxes amount.

Supervisor Marinaccio gave his Supervisors report for the Month of September 2011. Regarding Flood 2011, daily teleconference updates have been hosted by Broome County executive and EOC. County Executive Brennan issued an executive order of no activity on water ways. Councilman Burns asked if Highway Commissioner Kie had any requests to assist the Village of Port Dickinson of the 100 homes needing pumping due to the flood? He stated, no requests were reported.

Public Comments

No comments.

On a motion by Councilman Burns, seconded by Councilman Gardner to approve the Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes of August 8, 2011 as presented. All in favor. Vote -4 Ayes, Nays-0.

Abstract # 9 – Abstract Summary of Audited Vouchers for all Funds in the amount of \$317,943.06. On Motion from Councilman Morabito, seconded by Councilman Gardner to approve. Vote Ayes – 4, Nays – 0.

Supervisor Marinaccio voting Aye
Councilman Morabito voting Aye
Councilman Burns voting Aye
Councilwoman Exley voting (Absent)
Councilman Gardner voting Aye

Unanimously passed and noted as duly adopted.

ATTORNEY

Regarding the horn honking truck noise related issue in Prospect Terrace, reported last month by Councilwoman Exley – she prepared a time schedule and presented it to the board. Attorney Blaise recommends he be contacted through our town Code Enforcement by Constable Kie. Otherwise we then need to contact the Broome County Sheriff.

Attorney Blaise commented on all of the Town of Dickinson Board and all crews were out in force during and after the flood. We had 8 water pumps going round the clock.

Attorney Blaise reported will verify the Garbage bids as they will be needed before November for tax purposes.

50 North Broad – No answer from requestor

Shopping Carts issue - Code Enforcement Officer Rafferty provided copy of Endicott's **Cart Pick-up Ordinance** for the board to review and discuss for the October 10th meeting.

Utility Pole – All State settled for \$4,250.00 for the light pole on Stella Ireland. Attorney Blaise got us as much as he could, the damage was \$4,600.

John Street Drainage Easement – We are currently working on easement agreements with Liz and Ed Krukowski. If FEMA were to mitigate then we could risk not getting FEMA money. Engineer for the Town, Ron Lake and Commissioner Kie will review this situation. Attorney Blaise will follow-up on it. Since Danny Miller of the water department replaced the pipe, it should be noted - This storm was NOT a problem. We wondered did NYSEG clean-up the area?

FLOW MANAGEMENT

Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Treatment Plant

Town Engineer Ron Lake was not present to report further on the Sewage Treatment Plant although Supervisor Marinaccio stated he is much concerned with the plan.

BUILDING PERMITS

Code Enforcement Officer, Rafferty presented his permit schedule after the survey results. Varies depending on what they request in the permit. The flat rate will be \$25.00. If the mortgage company is involved and fees would be established for certain zones. Ordinance is needed to cover signs. Councilman Morabito says go with what site plan covers. Councilman Burns raised questions such as how do we know what they are? \$5.00 a sign, raise the price? Temporary sign all signs have to be worked on. With much discussion on the topic it was decided we need an ordinance; although we do not want to over govern this ordinance. We prefer to not want to discourage community minded organizations from small fundraisers or the like.

Committee Reports:

Public Works – 2011 Flood Damage

Highway Commissioner Joel Kie reported:

1. Terrace.
2. Deyo Hill Road only lost topsoil during recent repaving.
3. College View
4. True Street (culvert) near Glenwood Cemetery
5. Market Street and Boland Road were two main areas.
6. Wal-Mart area was flooded, then it flushed out; no mention of this.
7. Councilman Burns only complaint he heard was regarding the valve replacement since 2006 on Boland Road, residents were not told about the valve being closed – since it was 12:30a.m. During the night we had to make a very on the spot decision. What would we do the next time around? Have Councilman Burns knock on their doors to inform them.

Public Works – other

1. Rail Road Crossing road work – All came out beautiful. The rest of the road on Phelps is not going to be finished until next year. We will help plowing road.
2. North Broome – Ditches had much erosion. Take a look at eliminating the ditches.
3. Danny Miller of the water department reported the new generator that just came in got flooded. It was called in prior to add it to the insurance policy. We have to verify it was added.
4. Water boil advisory was lifted.

5. DeVincentis Construction is slated to perform work on Rosedale – next spring, of 2012. (Self Help- due up every two years) Councilman Burns suggested could we buy what he bought? Due to the flood we cannot do this because we have pipe to replace on Terrace Drive. Councilman Morabito says we would have to repay the Engineering work. Stimulus dollars drives this. We decided to ask DeVincentis to redo the contract for the spring of 2012. Councilman Gardner asked that the money already budgeted for 2011; can it be used next year, 2012? The board elects to put into the brand new budget of 2012.
6. After Commission Kie met with the City of Binghamton, he reported they requested the Town of Dickinson to consider swapping snow plowing of certain roads between the City and the Town. They requested we plow the whole of Mount Prospect and Ely Park. In the long run it would cost us greatly for plows, trucks and other equipment including a ‘salt’ pad. Supervisor Marinaccio suggested we consider only doing the Ely Park Housing. Kie commented the extra ‘salt’ pad would save us hours from traveling back and forth in order to salt the roads. Also, these are one of the most troublesome roads due to the terrain. The ongoing discussion ended with probably the City of Binghamton should consider contracting this out to a private area contractor.

Administrative:

- Keystone Associates – A company the handles Road Preservation of Roadways and Traffic. No up-front money like Delta Engineering requires.

Public Comment

Resident James Love of Orchard Road commented he is happy we are looking at reviewing the signs ordinance as he noticed some safety issues or language in the current document, because some current signs impair views, especially around a corner or at intersections.

On motion by Supervisor Marinaccio, the meeting was adjourned by motion of Councilman Morabito and seconded by Councilman Burns at 6:40 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Wanda R. Broczkowski

Town Clerk