

December 5, 2011 – WORK SESSION

The Work Session of the Town of Dickinson Town Board was called to order with the pledge of allegiance by Supervisor Michael A. Marinaccio at 5:30 PM on Monday, December 5, 2011 in the Town Hall, 531 Old Front St., Binghamton, NY.

The members of the Town Board present were:

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

Also attending:

**Cheryl Sacco, for Attorney Blaise, Town Attorney
Wanda R. Broczkowski, Town Clerk**

Absent: Stephen M. Gardner, Councilman

Oliver N. Blaise III, Esq., Town Attorney

ATTORNEY

13 BELLAIRE

Attorney Sacco reported that her office is working on the transfer documents for the property.

36 BROOME STREET

The Town Attorney's office is continuing to try to make contact with the property owners about transferring the property to the Town.

JOHN STREET

The meeting with Ed Krukowski went well and we are making progress on this easement situation.

213 BEVIER STREET

Attorney Sacco asked if there were any questions and stated the legalities are taking time.

BCC GENERATOR

INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR BCC PUMP STATION GENERATOR

Danny Miller stated it is \$17,553.00 to repair the generator. It is suggested he look into purchasing a new one. We would have to re-bid it to cover ourselves. \$24K is cost of a new one.

CODE OF ETHICS

Attorney Sacco, can help us put together a model and to give us an example and she will Email Samples. Resolution for January 2012.

CHAIR

BROOME COUNTY DOG SHELTER

The Front Street Dog Shelter located at 110 Cutler Pond Road, Binghamton, NY has submitted the contract renewal. It is the same price as the contract 5 years go. It works for us, so we will renew and officially sign the contract.

2012 MEETING SCHEDULE AND HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The proposal to change the monthly meeting dates from Monday to Wednesday will not work after reviewing the dates. They will remain on Monday's. It should be noted, this year when a Holiday falls on a Monday, the meeting date will instead be held on Tuesday. Specifically, October 9th, which is the day after the Columbus Day Holiday and November 13th the day after the Veterans Day Holiday. All of the board is in agreement and will approve the meeting and holiday schedule at the December 12th, 2011, regular meeting date.

BROOME COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

Supervisor Marinaccio has a copy of the Broome County Sheriff's report. This shows the number of arrests and for what the arrests were. See him if you want to read it.

BUILDING CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Code Enforcement officer Rafferty has it on file

FLOOD TASK FORCE MEETING

The next meeting with the county will be held on Thursday, December 8th and 2:00 with the county.

BROOME COUNTY COURT SYSTEM INFORMATIONAL MEETING

District Attorney, Gerald Mollen presented a new **Traffic Diversion Program**, to be sponsored by Broome County. Seven people attended this special meeting hosted by our Supervisor Marinaccio here at the Town of Town Hall on Thursday, December 1st, 2011. If this would be the driver's first offense under this program, they would be fined \$150; of that, \$50 goes to Broome County and \$100 to the issuing town. They would need to take a **Defensive Driving Course**; no points against their license. Per Judge Gregory Gates, this means less time officers are in court and with this program in place, we would make a lot more money based on last year's statistics. Potentially the Town of Dickinson could earn \$200,000 per year. Currently three or four other courts in the county are already doing this. Constitutionally it is legal. This will be posted on the county Website, going into effect January 1st, 2012.

EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK

The revised Employee Handbook is being reviewed by Supervisor Marinaccio, Administrative Assistant Beverly Wike and Highway Commissioner Kie. It will be submitted to Attorney Blaise with recommended additions. Once the Town Board reviews it and all Department Heads, it will be under review at the January or February 2012 meeting for final approval.

2012 REAPPOINTMENTS

Supervisor Marinaccio will rotate the Deputy Supervisor or subbing as a representative at events where the Supervisor would need to be present.

DOG CONTROL REPORT

Supervisor Marinaccio has a copy for review of our Dog Control Officer's report. It is routine; nothing extraordinary.

LOCAL LAWS REPORT

Supervisor Marinaccio has a copy for review.

PUBLIC WORKS

Highway Commissioner Kie reported all leaves and debris have been picked up for the season.

WATER DEPARTMENT

Danny Miller of the Water Department reported three (3) water breaks as follows: Terrace Drive has a break that has been reported. Pulaski Street has a leak reported and is making the resident's cellar wet; cold weather will make it worse. Otsinengo Park reportedly has one (1) commode in the public restroom that has been flushing for at least three (3) weeks, as far as we know. The County is already aware of the metered water leak but had not yet taken care of the broken commode. Supervisor Marinaccio will get on record with the County by sending them a letter of the situation.

On motion by Supervisor Marinaccio, the meeting was adjourned by motion of Councilman Burns and seconded by Councilman Morabito at 6:04 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Wanda R. Broczkowski

Town Clerk