

Town of Denning – Town Board Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Supervisor Bruning,
Held on Tuesday, October 2, 2007 at the Sundown Church Hall.

Present: Supervisor Bruning

Councilmen: Kevin Smith, Scott Mickelson, and Paul Schoonmaker
Mike Dean.

Also present: Highway Superintendent Dan Van Sadlers

The Town Clerk gave the Board members the agenda and resolutions
42 thru 44.

The minute book was signed prior to the opening of the meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance

Reading of last months' minutes by Town Clerk Joy Ann Monforte.

Supervisor Bruning has a correction the minutes should read DEC not
DEP under Supervisors comments.

Motion to adopt as read and amended by Scott Mickelson, 2nd by Paul
Schoonmaker, All in favor.

Correspondence: by Bill Bruning

- A notice read from Ulster County Department of Health with the
flu clinic schedule.
- A letter from the DEP informing the Town of the opening of 180
acres off of Yeagerville Road for hunting, hiking and fishing.
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Highway Report by Superintendent Dan Van Sadlers

- Roadwork report given.
- Truck maintenance and repair report given. The department
needed to rent a roller to complete a project; they will try and
repair in-house.
- Completed several projects FEMA.
- Meet with an engineer and sent paperwork to Albany for
approval to start the Peekamoose Road project.
- Wheelchair signs have been installed.
- Superintendent Dan Van Sadlers has spoken with resident Joan
Small in regards to the speed limit signs.

Code Enforcement Report by Supervisor Bruning

- Karl has been busy; he has brought in almost \$10,000 in fees.
A large chunk of that are YMCA building permit fees. They are
building the Wellness Center and 3 houses.

Refuse & Recycling Report by Manager Ed Mues

- He states he will have something together to give to residents on
Election Day. Also 1 out of 3 residents do not recycle. Bill
Bruning responds it is an Ulster county Law.

Highway Equipment Report by Superintendent Van Sadlers

- Has spoken with a salesman in regards to a small roller; \$14,900
for a 3 ton gas roller and a diesel is \$20,000. There is an option
for a roller with wheels that come down, which negates the cost
of purchasing a trailer.
- Up-date on new truck, it has gone to Arkel in Newburgh.
- 2 heavy wheels for the wing plow.
- \$1,500 for tarp and cab protector.

- Tires are not adequate for winter, they will be replaced.
- The Town of Fallsburg is interested in the old truck. Discussion opened on bidding it out vs. a direct sale.
- Councilman Mike Dean suggests an appraisal.
- Salesman is coming to discuss the extended warranty for the new truck. Councilman Mike Dean remarks the old truck has a lot of extras.
- Superintendent Van Sadlers will make a point of asking the salesman value of old truck.

Planning Board – by Bill Van Aken

- DEP buying 109 acres on Red Hill Road. The owner is applying to do a sub division with the rest of the property.
- Margaretville training on October 17. 5 members attending.
- Discussion opened on proposed sub division, 480A and New York City payment of taxes.

Resolution # 44 read by Supervisor Bruning (Training for Planning and ZBA Board members)

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker 2nd by Councilman Scott Mickelson, All in favor.

Resolution # 45 read by Supervisor Bruning (Closing SEQR)

Motion to adopt and approve following a Roll Call Vote, Vote 5 to 0.
Resolution Carried.

Resolution # 46 read by Supervisor Bruning (Adoption of Comprehensive Plan)

- Discussion on zoning and sub division advisory plan, scheduled released, to be completed by July of 2008
- Ulster County Planning Board reviewed the plan has returned a “no impact and non binding comments”. These included the following recommendations:
- Frost Valley generic impact statement in regards to future development.
- Historic preservation of landscapes, buildings and covered bridges.
- Suggests the plan should mention the goal to preserve the above list.
- Sub divisions, no cull de sac and should included alternate transportation routes.
- Pedestrian facility such as sidewalks.
- They also included a pamphlet on wind-power and said it should be considered in future plans.

Motion to adopt and approve following a Roll Call Vote, Vote 5 to 0.
Resolution Carried.

Supervisor Comments:

- Ulster County fixed Greenville Road.
- Ed Mues the middle section is horrible, soft and sinking with ripples
- Bill says he will call the County about their quick fixes.
- Claryville firehouse has now been wired for an emergency generator and is a shelter just as Tri Valley School is an approved shelter.
- Resident Russ Betters asks if the YMCA is putting in a generator.

- Supervisor Bruning responds no, Central Hudson is and to his knowledge that is still the plan.

Board Comments:

- Councilman Paul Schoonmaker the paper states the new county manager is actually decreasing taxes.
- Open discussion follows.
- Supervisor Bruning remarks he had planned to submit Tentative budget to the Board tonight however he is still waiting for the board of elections to give him a response. The problem is with the cost and if the town must purchase the voting machine.
- Councilman Paul Schoonmaker inquires as to the status of FEMA payment?
- Bill not yet but soon the blue has arrived.

Public comments:

- Resident Paul Hnatiw inquires about the counter placed on Peekamoose Road.
- Bill Bruning, no Ulster county did and also on lower Yeagerville Road and on the West Branch.
- Resident Paul Nasierowski the Comprehensive Plan is done, and what is the advisory board you mentioned.
- Supervisor Bruning responds the board will revise and recommend changes in zoning and sub division to bring it in line with the Comprehensive plan.
- Bill calls for further comments.
- There are none.

Motion to adjourn at 8:29 p.m. by Scott Mickelson, 2nd by Kevin Smith,
All in favor.

Respectfully by Joy Ann Monforte, Town Clerk

Town of Denning – Town Audit Meeting

Held on Tuesday, October 10, 2007, at the Denning Town Hall.

Called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Bruning

The Town Supervisor gave the Town board members and highway Superintendent copies of the 2008 Tentative Budget prior to the opening of the meeting.

The minute book was signed prior to the opening of the meeting.

Present: Supervisor Bill Bruning

Councilmen: Mike Dean, Paul Schoonmaker, Kevin Smith,
Scott Mickelson

Also Present: Highway Superintendent Dan Van Sadlers

Highway Vouchers presented (see warrant # 10, voucher #220-245)
Motion to approve and pay highway vouchers by Mike Dean, 2nd by
Scott Mickelson, All in favor.

General Vouchers presented (see warrant # 10, voucher #199-217)
Motion to approve and pay general vouchers by Scott Mickelson, 2nd
by Kevin Smith, All in favor.

Councilman Scott Mickelson asks if Superintendent Van Sadlers had
driven Greenville Road yet?
Superintendent Van Sadlers responds yes the road needs to be swept
there are ripples and parts are soft.

Motion to adjourn at 7:39 p.m. and move to the 2008 budget by
Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Scott Mickelson,
All in favor.

Supervisor Bruning opens the workshop stating he and Mike have
worked on the budget.

Page 1) the contractual expense for the legislative board is increased
to \$600.00. The municipal court software requires maintenance;
therefore the contractual expense was increased to \$4,150. The
assessor's contractual expense was decreased to \$500.00.

Page 2) as there as been no response in regards to election costs
including if the Towns must purchase the voting machines, personal
services as been increases to \$5,000. Building contractual expense is
decreased to \$12,000. There is a brief discussion on the radio
communication line; it is left at \$800. Central data processing the
contractual expense is increased to \$1,600. Vehicle insurance has
been increased, as there is a possible 5% increase in costs. Municipal
dues are left as is.

Page 3) a line by line review. The contractual expense for engineer
has been eliminated. The contractual expense for garage has been
increased by \$2,000.

Page 4) planning increased by \$1,500. due to the sub division review.
Supervisor Bruning inquires if anyone has a problem with Consultant
Dave Gilmour continuing with Phase II, the review of sub division and
zoning regulations. A brief discussion follows with positive comments.
The decision is to continue with Dave Gilmour.

Page 5) Refuse and recycling; the tonnage is increased from \$83 to
\$86 and the pull charge from \$34 to \$40. Social security increased.
Workman's' compensation increased to \$250. A possible 12% in
health insurance coverage has been included for 08'.

After an income side explanation and review on page 6, there is a very slight increase in the amount to be raised by taxes. The General side of the budget has increased a total of 0.2%.

Highway Page 6) all personal services are increased by 3%. \$20,000 has been added to the equipment line to cover the purchase of a new roller. Snow removal has been increased by \$5,000. 12% increased on health insurance costs. Social security and workman's compensation increased. New York State Retirement has decreased. Highway Capital projects increased to \$45,000.

The increase in highway taxes are 1%.

Councilman Paul Schoonmaker asks if there is insulation in the ceiling of the garage. Response by Highway Superintendent is probably not however there isn't any access.

Motion to adjourn at 9: 05 following a general discussion by councilman Paul Schoonmaker 2nd by Councilman Scott Mickelson, All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Ann Monforte, Town Clerk