

Town of Denning – Close Out Meeting

Held on Wednesday, January 2, 2008 moved to the Claryville Warren Cole Fire Hall. (Due to a last minute power outage.)
Meeting called to order at 7:15 P.M. by Supervisor Bruning.

Judge Vurckio swears in re-elected Judge Follander.
Judge Follander then swore in all of the newly elected officials.

Present: Supervisor Bruning
Councilmen: Mike Dean, Paul Schoonmaker, Kevin Smith, Scott Mickelson
Also present: Highway Superintendent Dan Van Sadlers

The Town Clerk has given Board members the agendas and resolutions and building fees schedule prior to the opening of the Close Out Meeting. The minute book has been signed by the Board members and the Supervisor Monthly Report for October and November where initialed. The Town Board signed the Town Clerks cash receipt book.

Pledge of Allegiance

Resolution #51 of 2007 read by Supervisor Bruning
(Fiscal transfer – Audit)
Motion to approve and adopt by Scott Mickelson, 2nd by Kevin Smith,
All in favor.

Resolution #52 of 2007 read by Supervisor Bruning
(Fiscal transfer – Planning)
Motion to approve and adopt by Mike Dean, 2nd by Paul Schoonmaker,
All in favor.

Resolution #53 of 2007 read by Supervisor Bruning
(Fiscal transfer – Highway)
Motion to approve and adopt by Mike Dean, 2nd by Paul Schoonmaker,
All in favor.

Motion to adjourn the Close Out Meeting and open the Organizational Meeting at 7:20 pm by Councilman Scott Mickelson, 2nd by Councilman Mike Dean, All in favor.

Town of Denning – Organizational Meeting

Organizational Resolutions read by Supervisor Bill Bruning

Resolution # 1 (Open Meeting Law)
Motion to approve and adopt by Mike Dean, 2nd by Kevin Smith, All in favor.

Resolution #2 (Town Board Meeting Schedule)
Motion to approve and adopt by Scott Mickelson, 2nd by Kevin Smith,
All in favor.

Resolution # 3 (Official Newspaper)
Motion to approve and adopt by Scott Mickelson, 2nd by Kevin Smith,
All in favor.

Resolution # 4 (Official Bank)
Motion to approve and adopt the amended resolution by Scott Mickelson, 2nd by Mike Dean, All in favor.

Resolution # 5 (Pre-payment Utilities Vouchers)
Motion to approve and adopt by Scott Mickelson, 2nd by Paul Schoonmaker, All in favor.

Resolution # 6 (Mileage Rate)
Motion to approve and adopt by Kevin Smith, 2nd by Scott Mickelson, All in favor.

Resolution # 7 (Copy Fee)
Motion to approve and adopt by Scott Mickelson, 2nd by Paul Schoonmaker, All in favor.

Resolution # 8 (Appointment of Attorney for the Town)
Motion to approve and adopt by Scott Mickelson, 2nd by Kevin Smith, All in favor.

Resolution #9 (Code Enforcement Officer Appointment)
Motion to approve and adopt by Scott Mickelson, 2nd by Kevin Smith, All in favor.

Resolution # 10 (Bookkeeper Appointment)
Motion to approve and adopt by Mike Dean, 2nd by Kevin Smith, All in favor; with Councilman Scott Mickelson abstaining.

Resolution # 11 (Deputy Supervisor Appointment)
Motion to approve and adopt by Paul Schoonmaker, 2nd by Kevin Smith, All in favor.

Resolution # 12 (Deputy Highway Superintendent Appointment)
Motion to approve and adopt by Mike Dean, 2nd by Scott Mickelson, All in favor.

Resolution # 13 (Registrar of Vital Statistics Appointment)
Motion to approve and adopt by Scott Mickelson, 2nd by Kevin Smith, All in favor.

Resolution # 14 (1st and 2nd Deputy Town Clerks Appointment)
Motion to approve and adopt by Mike Dean, 2nd by Kevin Smith, All in favor.

Resolution # 15 (Clerk to the Justice Court Appointment)
Motion to approve and adopt by Scott Mickelson, 2nd by Mike Dean, All in favor.

Resolution # 16 (Records Management Technician Appointment)
Motion to approve and adopt by Kevin Smith, 2nd by Scott Mickelson, All in favor.

Resolution # 17 (Town Historian Appointment)
Motion to approve and adopt by Mike Dean, 2nd by Kevin Smith, All in favor.

Resolution # 18 (Dog Control Officer Appointment)
Motion to approve and adopt by Scott Mickelson, 2nd by Paul Schoonmaker, All in favor.

Resolution # 19 (Planning, ZBA, Ethics & BAR Board Appointments)
Attached to this resolution is a list of all boards: members and their term of office.

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

Resolution # 20 (Town Salaries)

Motion to approve and adopt by Mike Dean, 2nd by Scott Mickelson, All in favor.

Resolution # 21 (Public Officers & Tax Collectors Bond)

Motion to approve and adopt by Kevin Smith, 2nd by Scott Mickelson, All in favor.

Motion to adjourn the **Organizational Meeting** and **Move to Town Board Meeting** at 7:35 by Paul Schoonmaker, 2nd by Kevin Smith, All in favor.

Regular Board meeting called to order by Supervisor Bruning

Reading of last month's minutes by the Town Clerk.

Motion to accept as read by Paul Schoonmaker, 2nd by Kevin Smith, All in favor.

Correspondence read by Supervisor Bruning

- Invitation, agenda and resolutions from and for the Association of Towns meeting.
- Review of the annual report submitted by Code Enforcement Officer Karl Von Hassel; 13 family residence permits, 1 industrial building permit, 12 sheds, 4 additions, 7 CO's issued, 1 stop work order and 3 fire inspections.
- Fee and discussion of the 2008 building fee schedule. Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Scott Mickelson.

Highway Report by Superintendent Dan Van Sadlers

- Battled 3 ice storms.
- Sign for Hunter Lane has been received and will be installed by Property Director Tom Grochall of the YMCA according to the set back requirements.
- F550 roll over \$9,000 in damages and \$4,0000 in damage to the F 350 pick up.
- The 2008 truck broke down on Dinch Road and will be towed by Prestige as per Arkel Motors request. It is under warranty.
- Looked at 08 pick-ups with Mike Dean. They have made some changes. \$27,000 with lock in hubs and a 9-foot plow. Diesel adds \$6,000 to cost will stay with gas. A 5.2 L motor with 4:10 gears. Delivery would take 16to 20 weeks. Discussion on motor size in relation to cooling and the 9-oftool plow. Superintendent Van Sadlers is instructed to re-evaluate the motor size, checking cost.

Highway Equipment Planning done previously.

Code Enforcement – No Report

Refuse & Recycling - No Report

Planning Board – No Report

Supervisor Comments:

- Requests a Land Use and Zoning Advisory Committee up-date from Councilman Kevin Smith.
- Councilman Kevin Smith informs the Board of a proposed public meeting in March. Stating that although member Alden Thayer and planner Dave Gilmour to wanted to hold the meeting on a

Monday evening to “limit negative feed back”, he and the rest of the committee feel strongly it should be on a Saturday morning.

- Supervisor Bruning informs the Board that he and Councilman Mike Dean met with a CPA on Sunday. States he had hired Cooper & Nieman to do Teri’s job. Cooper & Nieman has sent a contract, they have also stated they cannot do that work and do the Towns audit. Remarking he had received a letter from CPA Lisa Cutten from Kingston. He, Mike and Bookkeeper Cindy Mickelson met with her; he has hired her on an hourly basis. Carl Landon will again be filing the Town Annual Report.
- Continuing his informs the Board of a meeting between Mike Dean, David Bodenstein and himself regarding health insurance.
- Supervisor Bruning suggests a generator for the Town Hall so the Hall is functional in an emergency situation; stating there is \$15,000 in the Capital Fund. Councilman Mike Dean is asked to look into generators and the changing of the furnace over to propane, further reminding Mike that the main meeting room has electric heat.
- Discussion on flood insurance with Dave Bodenstein also. Town Clerk reminds supervisor Bruning of Denman Insurance instruction to get an appraisal.
- Supervisor Bruning states this year we will get the breezeway at the barn closed in.
- Supervisor Bruning closes with his thanks to the Board for getting things done.

Board Comments:

- Councilman Paul Schoonmaker thanks Mike Dean and Bill as a taxpayer for a job well done on the Towns tax bill. A decrease in the general tax and a small increase in the highway tax. The large decline in the fire tax levy is also a savings to all residents. Everyone is doing a little to help out.
- Supervisor Bruning firmly states you should thank Assessor Mike Sommer for all of his efforts on our behalf.
- Commenting that next year the fire tax levy will go back up a bit.
- Councilman Paul Schoonmaker remarks that smart money management is helping too.
- Supervisor Bruning concludes with it all helps.

Public Comment: None

Motion to adjourn at 8:26 p.m. by Scott Mickelson, 2nd by Kevin Smith, All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Ann Monforte, Town Clerk

Town of Denning – Town Audit Meeting

Held on Tuesday, January 8, 2008 at the Denning Town Hall.

Called to order at 7: 07 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Bill Bruning

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

Also Present: Highway Superintendent Dan Van Sadlers.

The Town Clerk has given the Board a copy of Resolution # 22 (Local Technical Assistance Program Grant).

Supervisor Bruning informs the Board of Mr. Ivan Orisek and Mr. Rich Otis from Rally New York commenting he has reviewed their packet and had planned on speaking with the Councilman at last weeks meeting however there was a power outage limiting available time. Supervisor Bruning remarks the rallies would be held on April 4th and 5th on Peekamoose Road and Round Pond to the YMCA campus border. To be held on October 31st and November 1st on Black Bear and Basily Road.

- ❖ Mr. Orisek states he has a contract with the Town of Thompson and the Town of Wawarsing. Further commenting he has spoken with Mr. Huncosky of the YMCA and he has confirmed it will not interfere with buses coming from the north. Stating that Mr. Huncosky has no objection in principle. Remarking that local groups such as the firehouse, ambulance squad or boys scout may use public areas as fundraisers.
- ❖ Supervisor Bruning has concerns regarding an emergency.
- ❖ Mr. Orisek replies the rally can be stopped at any time for an emergency situation. They have an ambulance and a fire or rescue truck in the vicinity.
- ❖ Supervisor Bruning asks the time of day and the length of time for closure.
- ❖ Highway Superintendent Van Sadlers states on a Friday you are dealing with school buses. Friday and Saturday the weekenders are coming up, they would not be aware of the closure.
- ❖ Mr. Orisek replies they would notify everyone by mail and in person.
- ❖ Mr. Otis remarks they have a marshal at the end of every driveway for safety reasons and would be able to open the road for residents with a 15 or 30-minute wait.
- ❖ Highway Superintendent Van Sadlers inquires as to the amount of cars in the rally.
- ❖ Mr. Otis replies 30 to 60; at the last rally there were 27 cars.
- ❖ Councilman Paul Schoonmaker inquires if there would be public facilities for observing the race.
- ❖ Mr. Orisek responds not at the 1st race held but private property owners are encouraged.
- ❖ Councilman Paul Schoonmaker asks if the rally would be publized in the paper.
- ❖ Mr. Orisek remarks the rally will bring in roughly \$200,000 to the local economy.
- ❖ Councilman Paul Schoonmaker comments if you publize it people will come.
- ❖ Mr. Otis replies safety first, the add would state where public viewings areas are.
- ❖ Highway Superintendent Van Sadlers asks who is responsible for damages to the roads? Rain and mud will be mess, asks if they

would put up a performance bond or any type of guarantee if there were damage to the roads?

- ❖ Mr. Orisek says they have never had to before; they are on a limited budget but are willing to work something out with the Town. Further stating in the sample contract it states that Rally New York is responsible for any and all damages.
- ❖ Supervisor Bruning ask where they would turn around on Basily Road. He suggests Glade Hill thru Hog Rock, there are no houses and it goes to the Town of Neversink.
- ❖ Highway Superintendent Van Saders says Spencer Road is also an alternative.
- ❖ Mr. Orisek would like to request the rally in two parts the tarmac road in spring and the gravel road later in the year after they review the roads. They would like to come back to discuss Glade Hill.
- ❖ Councilman Mike Dean remarks we need public input; the rally on Peekamoose would start at the last trailhead and end before the 1st trail on the Town of Olive side?
- ❖ Mr. Orisek replies yes they are deep in negotiations with the Town of Olive and should be finalized soon.
- ❖ Supervisor Bruning asks if there would be signs posted so people would not go down Peekamoose and then not be able to turn around? People could use Greenville to go around.
- ❖ Councilman Paul Schoonmaker asks about the problems in Tusten? The newspaper said they wouldn't let you come back.
- ❖ Mr. Orisek replies that is not true, we had a problem with 1 person on 1 road. We will no longer use that road. I assure you he states there will not be a scrap of paper left after we are gone.
- ❖ Supervisor Bruning asks if they mark the roads.
- ❖ Mr. Otis replies yes but with moveable red arrows on posts.
- ❖ Councilman Mike Dean asks at what speed the cars are driven?
- ❖ Response 45 to 70 mph on a long straight away it could be 100 for a few seconds.
- ❖ Supervisor Bruning wonders if the County has any recourse against the Town if there is damage to a County Road because he signed off on the rally.
- ❖ Councilman Mike Dean comments we cannot make a decision right now.
- ❖ Supervisor Bruning will leave the packet with the Town Clerk he wants the Councilman to review the packet and proposed contract. He thanks Rally New York for coming.

Highway Vouchers presented (see warrant # 1A)

Motion to approve and pay highway vouchers by Councilman Kevin Smith, 2nd by Councilman Scott Mickelson, All in favor.

Highway Vouchers presented (see warrant # 1)

Motion to approve and pay highway vouchers by Councilman Kevin Smith, 2nd Councilman by Scott Mickelson, All in favor.

General Vouchers presented, (see warrant # 1A)

Motion to approve and pay general vouchers by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, All in favor.

General Vouchers presented, (see warrant # 1)

Motion to approve and pay general vouchers by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Scott Mickelson, All in favor.

Correspondence by Supervisor Bruning

- Report submitted from the Claryville Justice Court a total of 6 cases, \$1505 in fines.

Resolution # 22 (Local Technical Assistance Program Grant) read by Supervisor Bruning.

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

A brief discussion follows regarding Rally New York.

Councilman Mike Dean, states he is not in favor of the road rally and feels the residents would not like it.

Councilman Kevin Smith comments people come for the peace and quiet.

Councilman Paul Schoonmaker remarks the Town does not owe them anything.

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

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Ann Monforte, Town Clerk