

Town of Denning – Town Board Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Supervisor Bruning,
Held on Tuesday, October 6, 2009 at the Sundown Church Hall.

Present: Supervisor Bruning

Councilmen: Mike Dean, Paul Schoonmaker, Kevin Smith

Absent: Scott Mickelson,

Also present: Highway Superintendent Dan Van Sadlers

The Town Clerk gave the Board members their copy of the agenda, resolution #42 and 43, procurement procedure, building fees and 2010 Preliminary Budget.

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.

Motion to adopt and approve as read by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Kevin Smith, All in favor. Motion carried by a 3 to 0 vote.

Correspondence read by Supervisor Bruning

- New York State Retirement amount for 2010 is \$24,855.00.
- The Workman Compensation amount is \$8,639.72.
- Central Hudson Storm Central an online outreach method of storm coverage: map, number of outages including location and estimated time of restoration.
- Ulster County Dept. of Health flu clinic schedule.
- Town of Neversink flu clinic is set for 10-8-2009.
- Tentative date for Town of Denning flu clinic is 10-18-09 from 10 to 2.
- UCRRA \$86 to \$89 per ton, the pull/haul charge will remain \$40.
- New outdoor burning regulations take effect 10-15-09. The primary change is the ban on burning from March 15 to May 15.
- Joy has brought new permits.

Highway Report by Superintendent Dan Van Sadlers

- Chipped sealed and swept 3.6 miles of Peekamoose Road with Ulster County's help. This was the worst section of the road; the road will be completed next year.
- The Town helped the County on Greenville Road by the dug-way, here at the Church Hall and on Frost Valley Road.
- Small FEMA project completed on Wildcat Road.
- Speed limit signs posted on Round Pond Road. Will be doing Red Hill Road soon.
- The F350 And 550 are at Johnson Ford, I have been informed they will be ready on Friday.
- Work done on Wild Meadow Road.
- Sand and salt are being delivered.
- Informs the residents and Board of the stream classes he is attending.
- The generator has been hooked up for the highway barn.

Code Enforcement – No Report

Highway Equipment Planning - No Report

Planning Board Report – No Report

Resolution # 42

WHEREAS section 2019-a of the Uniform Justice Court Act requires that town and village justices annually provide their court records and dockets to their respective town auditing boards and,

WHEREAS such records were provided and audited by the Town of Denning Audit Board, the Town of Denning Town Board,

HEREBY has reviewed and accepted the audit results submitted by the Auditing Board.

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker 2nd by Councilman Mike Dean, All in favor. Motion carried by a 3 to 0 vote.

Resolution # 43

WHEREAS, the Grahamsville Fire District has furnished fire protection for the Town of Denning Sundown Fire Protection District for many years; and

WHEREAS the Town of Denning desires to continue its contract with the Grahamsville Fire District for fire protection services for an additional term of five (5) years:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Supervisor is **HEREBY** authorized to execute an agreement on behalf of the Town of Denning for provision of fire protection services to the Town of Denning Sundown Fire Protection District on the terms and conditions described in the agreement.

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Mike Dean 2nd by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, All in favor. Motion carried by a 3 to 0 vote.

The Procurement policy is reviewed the Town Board.

Motion to approve and adopt by Councilman Kevin Smith, 2nd by Councilman Mike Dean, All in favor. Motion carried by a 3 to 0 vote.

The Building Fees Schedule is reviewed.

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, 2nd by Councilman Kevin Smith, All in favor, Motion carried by a 3 to 0 vote.

Supervisor Comments:

- Requests the Board to review the 2010 budget prior to next weeks scheduled workshop and if they have any questions to call him.
- Marge Gallagher is waiting for a response to the County's Wi Band proposal.
- Meeting held yesterday with the Town employees regarding health insurance feels it went well.
- The Town now has a broker. This will not cost any extra money the 1 .5% charge is built in the policy premium paid to MVP.
- Willows to be planted by Paul Hnatiw's soon.
- 480 properties do go back on the tax roll.
- Ask if the sign has been put up in the Town of Olive. Response no. Bill will see the Olive Town Supervisor next Tuesday.

Board Comments:

- ❖ Mike Dean asks if there has been any response to the Town's letter regarding the proposed County contractor's law.
- ❖ Supervisor Bruning no, not yet will hear more information at the Supervisor's meeting next week.
- ❖ Kevin Smith the Advisory Committee will meet again on the 19th of this month. We are about a 1/4 of the way thru the zoning.

- ❖ Supervisor Bruning tentative date for the next stream meeting is the 10-27-09.

Public comments:

- ❖ Resident Russ Betters asks about papers being burned in a burn barrel. Open discussion follows.
- ❖ Resident Gladys Van Wagner asks if pavement will be put down on the roadside by the Church and Church Hall.
- ❖ Supervisor Bruning responds he hasn't heard.
- ❖ Resident Frank Comando requests a phone in the Church Hall for elections.
- ❖ Supervisor Bruning responds it will be on for the day at a cost of \$125.00.
- ❖ Residents Frank and Linda Comando comment the phone should be on all year as the Town does use the Hall for meetings. There are no pay phones in Sundown and a public phone is needed especially in case of an emergency.
- ❖ Resident Paul Nasierowski informs the Board about his difficulties with the tree trimmers for Central Hudson.
- ❖ Highway Superintendent Van Sadlers will meet him at 7 A.M. to inspect and see who can be contacted.
- ❖ Resident Russ Betters suggests emailing Denise Van Buren at dvanburen@CenHud.com for help. She is their public relations manager and was very helpful for his problem.
- ❖ Resident Linda Comando inquires about porta potties at the campgrounds. Inquires if anyone is aware that the cost for the entire State for porta potties is \$15,000.
- ❖ Discussion follows.

Motion to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, All in favor. Vote carried 3 to 0.

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Ann Monforte, Town Clerk

Town of Denning – Town Business Meeting

Held on Tuesday, October 13, 2009 at the Denning Town Hall.

Called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Supervisor Bruning

Minute book signed prior to the opening of the meeting.

Present: Supervisor Bill Bruning

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

Also Present: Highway Superintendent Dan Van Saders

Highway Vouchers presented (see warrant # 10)

Motion to approve and pay highway vouchers by Councilman Scott Mickelson, 2nd by Councilman Mike Dean, All in favor. Motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote.

General Vouchers presented, (see warrant # 10)

Motion to approve and pay general vouchers by Councilman Scott Mickelson, 2nd by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, All in favor. Motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote.

Resolution # 44

WHEREAS Peekamoose Road was in need of extensive repair, And

WHEREAS Account DA911- Unreserved Fund Balance- Unappropriated has excess funds, And

WHEREAS Ulster County Highway Department contributed a paver, trucks and manpower to accommodate the repair, the Town of Denning Town Board

HEREBY authorizes the Supervisor to reduce Account Da911- Unreserved Fund Balance- Unappropriated in the amount of \$150,000.00 and increase account DA5110-1 Maintenance of Streets Personal Services by \$5,000.00 to \$140,480.00 and increase Account DA5110.4 Maintenance of Streets Contractual by \$145,000.00 to \$255,000. Also increase Account DA999A- Appropriated Fund Balance by \$150,000.00

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

Motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote.

Resolution # 45

WHEREAS Account number DA5130.2- Machinery Equipment is under expended, And

WHEREAS Account number DA5130.4- Machinery Contractual is over expended, the Town of Denning Town Board

HEREBY authorizes the Supervisor to reduce account DA5130.2- Machinery Equipment by \$15,000.00 and increase account DA5130. Machinery Contractual by \$15,000.00 to \$70,908.89

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Scott Mickelson 2nd by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, All in favor.
Motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote.

Budget workshop opened at 7:50 p.m.
Line by line review by Supervisor Bruning explains all changes, increases, decreases and estimated revenue. Totals included a 3% cost of living increase for employees. Discussion opened on health insurance costs, co pays and deductibles. Cost increase for next year on current plan is 14 to 18%. An EPO plan is 15,000 less on top of no increase. Town Board decides to go with the MVP EPO plan. Resulting in a \$35,000 savings for the Town.

FEMA reimbursement to be used to finish Peekamoose Road next year.

Supervisor Bruning asks for any questions or comments.
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker remarks that Bill Bruning has done remarkable job with the budget in planning and financial aspects. This Town unlike others will not have any layoffs or cuts in services.

Supervisor Bruning remarks we are very fortunate in that we have good bunch of people working, in all positions, for the Town of Denning.

Motion to adjourn at 8:29 p.m. by Councilman Kevin Smith, 2nd by Councilman Mike Dean, All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Ann Monforte, Town Clerk