

# Town of Denning – Organizational Meeting

Held on Tuesday, January 5, 2010. The meeting is called to order at 7:03 P.M. by Supervisor Bruning.

Present: Supervisor Bruning

Councilmen: Mike Dean, Paul Schoonmaker, Kevin Smith, and David Brooks

Also present: Highway Superintendent Dan Van Saders

The Town Clerk has given Board members the agendas, resolutions, the Justice Court report. The minute book has been signed by the Board members and the Town Board has also signed the Town Clerks cash receipt book prior to the opening of the meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance

Judge Follender swears in all the re-elected and newly elected officers. He congratulates all and states he is very proud of our Town Board, Clerk/Tax Collector and Highway Superintendent.

All resolutions read by Supervisor Bruning

## **Resolution No. 1 of 2010 of the Town of Denning**

New York State Town Law section 63 authorizes the Town Board to determine the rules of its procedure,

**RESOLVED** that all Town meetings and public hearings will be conducted in accordance with New York State Open Meetings Law, and in such spirit that the following rules be enacted:

1. That a majority of any convened Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a lesser number may adjourn.
2. That the vote upon every question shall be taken by ayes and nays, and that the names of the members present and their votes shall be entered into the minutes.
3. That every act, motion or resolution shall require for its adoption the affirmative vote of a majority of all of the members of the convened Board.
4. That public participation at all regular and special Town Board meetings will be limited to commentary during established intervals as documented in each meeting agenda.
5. That any person speaking to the Town Board at all regular or special Town Board meetings will only be heard at the consent of the Supervisor or presiding Public Officer, and that they will be required to address their remarks exclusively to the Town Board without engaging the public in debate.
6. That all interested persons will have the right to attend public hearings of the Town, participate freely and make inquiries relating to the purposes thereof.
7. That public participation at all public hearings will consist of commentary limited to the purpose of the hearing, being only directed towards the convening Town agency.
8. That votes will not be taken by any convened Board on any pending legislation, permit application, zoning variance application or appeal during any public hearing that is subject thereof.
9. That response to any public commentary at any public meeting or hearing will be at the discretion of the Supervisor, Chairman or Deputy of any convened Town

agency, and that the presiding Public Officer shall have the authority to refer any questions to the Attorney for the Town, or to other Board members.

10. That these rules may be amended at any time during the calendar year by resolution of the Town Board.

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman

Kevin Smith. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE
Councilman Dave Brooks	AYE

### **Resolution No. 2 of 2010 of the Town of Denning**

**WHEREAS** New York State Town Law sections 62 and 63 authorizes the Town Board to establish fixed days of each month for regular meetings,

And **WHEREAS** New York State Public Officers Law section 103(b) requires a public body to make all reasonable efforts to hold meetings in facilities that permit barrier – free access to the physically handicapped,

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it **RESOLVED** that the regular Town Board meetings will, throughout the year 2010, be held each month, with the meeting location alternating between Denning Town Hall in Claryville and the Sundown Church Hall in Sundown, between the months of April and November by the following schedule:

Denning Town Hall in Claryville:

7:00 PM Tuesday January 5  
7 :00 PM Tuesday February 2  
7:00 PM Tuesday March 2  
7:00 PM Tuesday May 4  
7:00 PM Tuesday July 6  
7:00 PM Tuesday September 7  
7:00 PM Wednesday November 3  
7:00 PM Tuesday December 7

Sundown Church Hall in Sundown

7:00 PM Tuesday April 6  
7:00 PM Tuesday June 1  
7:00 PM Tuesday August 3  
7:00 PM Tuesday October 5

Further, **RESOLVED** that the regular business Town Board meeting will, throughout the year 2010, be held at 7:00 PM on the second Tuesday of each month, at the Denning Town Hall in Claryville.

January 12, February 9, March 9, April 13, May 11, June 8, July 13, August 10, September 14, October 12, November 9, December 14.

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman

Kevin Smith. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE
Councilman Dave Brooks	AYE

### **Resolution No. 3 of 2010 of the Town of Denning**

**WHEREAS** New York State Town Law sections 64 (11) authorizes the Town Board to designate the official newspaper of the Town

And **WHEREAS** New York State Open Meetings Law, Public Officers Law section 104, requires notice of time and place of Town Board meetings to be given to the news media,

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it **RESOLVED** that the Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman, PO Box 232, Grahamsville, N.Y. 12740, is designated as the official newspaper of the Town of Denning, and

**Further**, be it **RESOLVED** that the public notices may also be published on the Town of Denning website address [www.denning.us](http://www.denning.us)

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Mike Dean, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE
Councilman Dave Brooks	AYE

### **Resolution No. 4 of 2010 of the Town of Denning**

**WHEREAS** New York State Town Law sections 64 (11) authorizes the Town Board to designate the banks or trust companies in which all Town officers shall deposit all monies coming into their hands by virtue of their offices,

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it **RESOLVED** that Catskill Hudson Bank, Neversink, N.Y. 12765, be the designated depository bank for the Town of Denning,

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Kevin Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Dave Brooks. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE
Councilman Dave Brooks	AYE

### **Resolution No. 5 of 2010 of the Town of Denning**

**WHEREAS** New York State Town Law section 118 authorize the Town Board to allow for advanced payments of claims,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it **RESOLVED** that throughout the year 2010, the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to pay claims, in advance of audit, the bills submitted by health insurance providers, telephone, electric, gas, utility and cable companies, as well as post office box fees.

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Mike Dean, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE
Councilman Dave Brooks	AYE

### **Resolution No. 6 of 2010 of the Town of Denning**

**WHEREAS** New York State Town Law sections 116 authorizes the Town Board to establish the amount to be allowed for the use of personal vehicles in the performance of official duties,

And **NOW THEREFORE**, be it **RESOLVED** that throughout the year 2010, the rate for financial reimbursement of personal vehicles use during the performance of official duties will be equal to 50 cents per mile.

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Kevin Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE
Councilman Dave Brooks	AYE

#### **Resolution No. 7 of 2010 of the Town of Denning**

**WHEREAS** New York State Town Law Public Officers Law sections 87 (b) (iii) authorizes the Town Board to establish fixed charges for document photocopies resulting from requests for records,

And **WHEREAS** New York State Town Law section 64 subsection 1(a) describes the use of petty cash fund for the purpose of making change when such is required in the performance of official duties,

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it **RESOLVED** that throughout the year 2010, the Town Clerks Office shall charge a standard fee of 25 cents per copied page up to 8 1/2 by 14 inches, plus all applicable postage charges for the cost of mailing requested documents delivery.

Further, **RESOLVED** that the collection of all receipts resulting from charges for document copies and mailing be conferred upon the Town Clerk as income through petty cash account.

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman

Mike Dean. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE
Councilman Dave Brooks	AYE

#### **Resolution No. 8 of 2010 of the Town of Denning**

And **WHEREAS** New York State Town Law section 20 2 (b) authorizes the Town Board to employ an attorney to render professional services and provide legal advice to the Town, at the fee of \$150.00 per hour.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it **RESOLVED** that Rod Futerfas, Attorney at Law, of the firm Wapner, Koplovitz & Futerfas, 239 Wall Street, Kingston, N.Y. 12401 be appointed as Attorney for the Town of Denning.

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman

Mike Dean. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE
Councilman Dave Brooks	AYE

**Resolution No. 9 of 2010 of the Town of Denning**

**WHEREAS** New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code authorizes the Town Board to appoint a Code Enforcement Officer for the Town,

And **WHEREAS** Article 6 of the Zoning Law of the Town of Denning authorizes the Town Board to appoint a Code Enforcement Officer to enforce the provisions of the Zoning Law and the International Building Code.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it **RESOLVED** that Karl Von Hassel, 524 County Highway 3, Halcott Center, N.Y. 12430, be appointed as Code Enforcement Officer for the Town of Denning, with an annual salary of \$6,427.00 to be drawn from Safety Inspection Personal Services. (General fund appropriations code A3620.1)

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Kevin Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Dave Brooks. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE
Councilman Dave Brooks	AYE

**Resolution No. 10 of 2010 of the Town of Denning**

**WHEREAS** New York State Town Law section 29 (15) allows for the Town Board to authorize the Town Supervisor to designate a bookkeeper for the Town,

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it **RESOLVED** that Cindy Mickelson, PO Box 251, Grahamsville, NY, 12740, be appointed as bookkeeper of the Town of Denning, with an annual salary of \$8,034.00 to be drawn from Supervisor Personal Services.  
(general fund appropriations code **A1220.1**)

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Mike Dean, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE
Councilman Dave Brooks	AYE

**Resolution No. 11 of 2010 of the Town of Denning**

**WHEREAS** New York State Town Law section 42 authorizes the Town Board to establish the office of Deputy Supervisor,

and **WHEREAS** New York State Town Law section 42 authorizes the Town Supervisor to appoint the Deputy Supervisor to serve at the pleasure of the Supervisor,

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it **RESOLVED** that the position of Deputy Supervisor be established, and that Councilman Mike Dean, be appointed as Deputy Supervisor for the Town of Denning. And

**WHEREAS** the Town of Denning Town Board feels that a liaison to the Town's Planning Board is a benefit to the Town as a Whole,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Councilman Mike Dean be a appointed SAID liaison to the Denning Planning Board.

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Kevin Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Dave Brooks. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote with one abstention.

Councilman Mike Dean	Abstains
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE
Councilman Dave Brooks	AYE

#### **Resolution No. 12 of 2010 of the Town of Denning**

**WHEREAS** New York State Town Law section 32 (2) authorizes the Town Board to establish the office of Deputy Town Superintendent of Highways,

and **WHEREAS** New York State Town Law section 32 (2) authorizes the Town Highway Superintendent to appoint the Deputy Highway Superintendent to serve at the pleasure of the Town Highway Superintendent,

**NOW , THEREFORE,** be it **RESOLVED** that the position of Deputy Highway Superintendent be established for the Town of Denning, with an annual salary of \$1,606.00, to be drawn from Superintendent of Highways Personal Services.

(general fund appropriations code **A5010.1**)

and, **FURTHER,** be it **RESOLVED** that Robert Totten be appointed to fill the position of Deputy Highway Superintendent for the Town of Denning.

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Mike Dean, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE
Councilman Dave Brooks	AYE

#### **Resolution No. 13 of 2010 of the Town of Denning**

**WHEREAS** New York State Public Health Law section 4121 and 4123 authorizes the Town Board to appoint a Registrar of Vital Statistics,

**NOW , THEREFORE,** be it **RESOLVED** that Joy Ann Monforte, 75 Woodfield Road, Grahamsville, NY 12740, serving as Denning Town Clerk, be appointed as Registrar of Vital Statistics with an annual salary of \$10.00, to be drawn from Town Clerk Personal Services.

(general fund appropriations code **A1410.1**)

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Kevin Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Dave Brooks. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE
Councilman Dave Brooks	AYE

#### **Resolution No. 14 of 2010 of the Town of Denning**

**WHEREAS** New York State Town Law section 27 authorizes the Town Board to determine the salaries of town officers and employees,

and **WHEREAS** New York State Public Officers Law section 9 provides for the designation of order in which two or more appointed deputies may act,

and **WHEREAS** Public Officers Law section 10 and 25 require the taking of oath of office by all town officers,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it, **RESOLVED** that Jean Switzler, 5224 Red Hill Road, Claryville, NY 12725, be appointed as First Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector of the Town of Denning, with an annual salary of \$5,275.00, to be drawn from Town Clerk Personal Services.  
(general fund appropriations code **A1410.1**)

and **Further RESOLVED** that Carl Landon, of Red Hill Road, Claryville, NY be appointed second Deputy Clerk of the Town of Denning,

and **Further RESOLVED** that the First and Second Deputy to the Town Clerk be required to take and subscribe a constitutional oath of office to be filed with the Town Clerk as well as a confidentiality oath to be on file in the Office of the Town Clerk.

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Mike Dean, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE
Councilman Dave Brooks	AYE

#### **Resolution No. 15 of 2010 of the Town of Denning**

**WHEREAS** New York State Town Law section 27 authorizes the Town Board to determine the salaries of town officers and employees,

and **WHEREAS** New York State Civil Service Law sections 35 and 40 establish jurisdictional classification of positions, with provisions for a definition of noncompetitive classification of employment positions subject to Town Council appointment,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it **RESOLVED** that a position of Clerk to Justice Court be established for the Town of Denning, with an annual salary of \$2,400.00, to be drawn from Justice Personal Services. And  
(general fund appropriations code **A1110.1**)

**FURTHER**, be it **RESOLVED** that Linda Bruning be appointed to said position of Clerk to Justice Court.

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Kevin Smith. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE
Councilman Dave Brooks	AYE

#### **Resolution No. 16 of 2010 of the Town of Denning**

**WHEREAS** New York State Town Law section 27 authorizes the Town Board to determine the salaries of town officers and employees,

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it **RESOLVED** that Jean Switzler, 5224 Red Hill Road, Claryville, NY 12725, be appointed as Records Management Technician for the Town of Denning.

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Kevin Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Dave Brooks. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE

Councilman Kevin Smith                    AYE  
Councilman Dave Brooks                    AYE

**Resolution No. 17 of 2010 of the Town of Denning**

**WHEREAS** New York State Arts and Cultural Affairs Law section 57.07 authorizes the Town Supervisor to appoint a Local Historian,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it **RESOLVED** that Jean Switzler, 5224 Red Hill Road, Claryville, NY 12725, be appointed as Historian for the Town of Denning, with an annual salary of \$214.00 to be drawn from Historian Personal Services.

(general fund code A7510.0)

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Mike Dean, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Mike Dean                    AYE  
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker            AYE  
Councilman Kevin Smith                 AYE  
Councilman Dave Brooks                 AYE

**Resolution No. 18 of 2010 of the Town of Denning**

**WHEREAS** New York State Agriculture & Markets Law section 114 authorizes the Town Board to appoint a Dog Control Officer for the Town,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it **RESOLVED** that Archie Ackerly Jr., 26 Schultz Road, PO Box 47, Claryville, New York, 12725, be appointed as Dog Control Officer for the Town of Denning, with an annual salary of \$535.00, to be drawn from Control of Dogs Personal Services.

(general fund appropriations code **A3510.1**)

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Mike Dean, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Kevin Smith. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Mike Dean                    AYE  
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker            AYE  
Councilman Kevin Smith                 AYE  
Councilman Dave Brooks                 AYE

**Resolution No. 19 of 2010 of the Town of Denning**

**WHEREAS** New York State Town Law section 267 and 271 require annual appointments to the Town Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals with designated terms of office on a calendar year basis,

and **WHEREAS** Local Law No. 3 of 2001 of the Town of Denning requires an annual appointment to the Town Board of Ethics with designated terms of office on a calendar year basis,

and **WHEREAS** Public Officers Law section 10 and 25 require the taking of oath of office by all town officers,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it **RESOLVED** that a review of remaining terms of office for members of the Town Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals and Board of Ethics be announced on an annual basis at the Town Board organizational meeting.

Further, **RESOLVED** that all newly appointed members be required to take and subscribe a constitutional oath of office to be filed with the Town Clerk, and that each member shall be notified of appointment and duration of term in writing by first class mail no later than 10 business days following the annual organizational meeting. And

**NOW, THEREFORE,** be it **RESOLVED** that these residents are Board appointed or reappointed to said Boards:

**Board of Ethics** ( 3 year term )

Janet Dymond Re-appointment - expire 12/31/2012

**Planning Board** ( 7 year term )

Carl Landon - expire 12/31/2016

James Hlinican (remainder of term) - expire 12/31/2011

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Mike Dean, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Mike Dean AYE

Councilman Paul Schoonmaker AYE

Councilman Kevin Smith AYE

Councilman Dave Brooks AYE

Review of remaining terms:

**Planning Board** ( 7 year term )

Bill Van Aken - expire 12/31/2013

Alden Thayer - chairperson - expire 12/31/2014

Stephen E. Bobik - expire 12/31/2015

Carl Landon - expire 12/31/2016

Mary Ackerley - expire 12/31/2010

James Hlinican - expire 12/31/2011

Paul Krickhahn - expire 12/31/2012

**Zoning Board of Appeal** ( 5 year term )

William Leudemann - expire 12/31/2010

Frances Chiwiwi - expire 12/31/2011

Mark Boncek - expire 12/31/2012

Anthony Deserto - expire 12/31/2013

Joseph Sibiga - expire 12/31/2014

**Board of Ethics** ( 3 year term )

Jean Switzler - expire 12/31/2011

Janet Dymond - expire 12/31/2012

Charles Piera - expire 12/31/2010

**Board of Assessment Review** (October 1st to September 30th - 5 year term)

Russell Betters - expire 10/01/2012

James Hlinican - expire 10/01/2013

Mary Ackerly - expire 10/01/2014

**Resolution No. 20 of 2010 of the Town of Denning**

**WHEREAS** New York State Town Law section 27 authorizes the Town Board to determine the salaries of town officers and employees,

**NOW, THEREFORE,** be it **RESOLVED** that the following salaries be fixed for the listed town officers and employees for the Fiscal Year 2010:

**Town Officers:**

Supervisor \$ 12,000.00

Councilpersons (4) each 1,500.00

Superintendent of Highways	40,277.00
Deputy Superintendent of Highways	1,606.00
Town Clerk/ Tax Collector	18,000.00
First Deputy Town Clerk/ Tax Collector	5,275.00
Second Deputy Town Clerk	00.00
Town Justice	5,764.00
Clerk to Justice Court	2,400.00
Assessor	12,104.00
Code Enforcement/Building Inspector	6,427.00
Bookkeeper	8,034.00
Records Management	1,500.00
Town Historian	214.00
Dog Control	535.00
Registrar of Vital Statistics	10.00
Recycling Manager	12.85 per hour
House Cleaning	\$1,285.00 Annually

**Highway Employees:**

Laborer	17.82 per hour
Heavy Equipment Operator Class B	18.44 per hour
Heavy Equipment Operator Class A	19.06 per hour
Foreman	19.65 per hour

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman

Dave Brooks. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE
Councilman Dave Brooks	AYE

**Resolution No. 21 of 2010 of the Town of Denning**

**WHEREAS** Public Officers Law section 11 (2) authorizes the Town Board to approve the procurement of a blanket undertaking from any duly authorized corporate surety covering Officers, Clerks and Employees of the Town,

**NOW, THEREFORE,** be it **RESOLVED** that the public officers bond issued by National Grange Mutual with coverage of \$10,000 for Public Officials and \$800,000 excess for Tax Collectors be procured from Mike Preis, Inc. at the annual premium of \$335.00 to be drawn from Unallocated Insurance. (general fund appropriations code **A1910.1**).

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Mike Dean, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE
Councilman Dave Brooks	AYE

Motion to adjourn the **Organizational Meeting** and **Move to Town Board Meeting** at 7:30 by Councilman Mike Dean, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Kevin Smith, All in favor.

# Regular Town Board meeting called to order

by Supervisor Bruning

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

Motion to accept as read by Councilman Kevin Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, All in favor. Carried following a unanimous roll call vote.

Correspondence read by Supervisor Bruning

- Invitation to the New York City meeting from the Association of Towns, information will be available in the Clerk's office.
- Reads resolution # 8 from the Association regarding proposed changes to the publication of legal notices in the newspaper.
- The annual report from the Justice Court is read; Sundown 7 cases, Claryville 17; 11 of which was V&L for a total of 35 cases with fines of \$3,190.00.

Highway Report by Superintendent Dan Van Saders

- Truck repair and maintenance report.
- The superintendent's office, break room and bathroom have new floors. A new toilet has been installed in the bathroom.
- Meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup> of this month with FEMA for the Close Out on the Sundown project.
- Supervisor Bruning presents Superintendent Van Saders with the equipment list for review from Mike Pries Insurance.

Highway Equipment Planning – No Report

Code Enforcement – No Report

Planning Board – No Report

## **Supervisor Comments:**

- Had a meeting with John Barnum regarding the Sundown Church Hall rental fee- brief discussion follows. The Church will pick up the cost of the phone, which the Town had installed. Councilman Mike Dean suggests \$600.00 as a fair price. The Town Board agrees.
- Believes the conflict with the previous tax collector is resolved. He informed her lawyer the matter would be forwarded to the Attorney for the Town.
- Brief discussion on the lack of mortgage escrow accounts.
- Time Warner is in the process of installing battery back up.
- He has been told the logger on Spencer Road plans on using the bridge. Superintendent Van Saders remarks no one has spoke to him yet.
- Councilman Mike Dean suggests a temporary bridge be put down.
- Discussion on weight limit posting of bridge. It is now posted as bridge out.
- Supervisor Bruning informs Highway Superintendent Vans Saders to tell them they can't use the bridge.
- Friday, January 15, 2010 the Audit Board will audit the Court Books at 10 A.M.

- ❑ Attended a meeting with Superintendent Vans Saders in Kingston regarding highway consolidation. Discussion on the Town taking over light maintenance for the County. Contract to be negotiated and signed by September 2010.
- ❑ Discussion on the road mileage, the Board wants Dan to measure, confirming distance; Frost Valley to Town line, Yeagerville and the County section of Peekamoose.
- ❑ Equipment discussion will need 1 more truck and a loader. The County will want to turn the buildings over to then Town.
- ❑ Discussion on the elimination of County jobs.
- ❑ An advisory board is being set up consisting of Town Supervisors and Highway Superintendents.
- ❑ Superintendent Van Saders remarks they also spoke of transferring equipment. He would want to hire 2 more people or perhaps part timers. Discussion follows.
- ❑ Discussion opened on building maintenance, including the future maintenance of these buildings.
- ❑ Discussion on length of contract.

**Board Comments:**

- Councilman Mike Dean asks if there are any messages to relay to the Planning Board?
- Supervisor Bruning responds yes, what is going on with the logging on Spencer Road? They should not give an approval until they confirm with Dan.
- The Board welcomes Councilman David Brooks.
- Councilman Paul Schoonmaker called Senator Bonacic about the new drug laws which where attached to the NYS Budget. Discussion follows.
- Sgt. Polanco of the U.C. Sheriffs will be here tomorrow for the NIMS Mock Disaster Drill and then he will test the highway crew, as they are first responders.
- Councilman Kevin Smith informs the Board that the next Advisory Board meeting is the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month.
- Supervisor Bruning is still trying to contact Marge Gallagher regarding Wi Fi.

**Public Comment:** None

Motion to adjourn at 8:32 p.m. by Councilman, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Kevin Smith, All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Ann Monforte, Town Clerk

# Town of Denning – Town Business Meeting

Held on Tuesday, January 12, 2010 at the Denning Town Hall.

Called to order at 7: 04 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Bill Bruning

Councilmen: Mike Dean, Paul Schoonmaker and Kevin Smith

ABSENT: Councilman Dave Brooks

Also Present: Highway Superintendent Dan Van Sadlers.

The Supervisor presents the Board with the Budget vs. Actual thru December of 2009.

Highway Vouchers presented (see warrant # 1A)

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Mike Dean, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE
Councilman Dave Brooks	ABSENT

Highway Vouchers presented (see warrant # 1)

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Mike Dean. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE
Councilman Dave Brooks	ABSENT

General Vouchers presented, (see warrant # 1A)

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Kevin Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE
Councilman Dave Brooks	ABSENT

General Vouchers presented, (see warrant # 1)

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Mike Dean, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Kevin Smith. Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE
Councilman Dave Brooks	ABSENT

Supervisor Comments:

Supervisor Bruning reads the Sundown Fire Protection report submitted by George Haag, 7 responses. He met with Dave Bodenstein of Mike Pries, signed the contract and will have figures for the next meeting. An update on Wi Fi; 7 Billion is available and 28 Billion has been requested. The Census Bureau will hold classes in the Town Hall.

Motion to adjourn at 8:07 p.m. by Councilman Mike Dean, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Ann Monforte, Town Clerk: