

Town of Denning – Town Board Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Supervisor Bruning,
Held on Tuesday, December 7, 2010 at the Denning Town Hall.

Present: Supervisor Bruning
Councilmen: Mike Dean, Paul Schoonmaker, Kevin Smith
And Councilman David Brooks
Highway Superintendent Dan Van Sadlers

The Town Clerk gave the Board members their copy of the agenda, Resolutions 41 and 42 as well as correspondence to the Supervisor. The minute book was signed prior to the opening of the meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Hearing for the proposed Local Law #1 of 2010 called to order. Supervisor Bruning calls for public and Town Board comments. There are none.

Motion to close the Public Hearing for proposed Local Law #1 of 2010 by Councilman Kevin Smith 2nd by Councilman Mike Dean, All in favor.

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 Paul Schoonmaker, All in favor. Motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote.

Correspondence read by Supervisor Bruning

- A letter from Jim Hlinican resigning from the Planning Board effective immediately.
- Notification of a new Ulster County program titled "Return to FAVOR" merchants in Ulster County giving veterans a discount.
- Information in the Town Clerk's Office and will be posted.
- Notice read regarding the annual election next week from 6 to 9 pm at the Claryville Fire District.
- A thank you note from Karen Rauter, Rondout Neversink Stream Program Coordinator.
- A letter sent by the Code Enforcement Officer to a property owner regarding a collapsed building. Building has since been removed.
- Supervisor Bruning gives Highway Superintendent Dan Van Sadlers a list of NYMIR training programs on the NYMIR website.
- A letter dated November 23rd from resident Jennifer Snyder requesting a position on the planning board.

Highway Report by Superintendent Van Sadlers

- High water event last Wednesday, December 1st about 4 1/2" of rain.
- Had a few problems and are making repairs.
- Met with Karen Rauter to discuss 5 or 6 spots used a GPS marker.
- The sand CK&K Trucking is supplying has been changed to Wendell on the upper end of Continental Road. It is good.
- Ordered several hand held radios and some for the trucks.
- Lite crew during hunting season.
- Problem with the small truck it may need to go the M&M, it loses power.

Code Enforcement – No Report

Highway Equipment Planning- No Report

Planning Board – Councilman Mike Dean

- Frost Valley was at last month meeting with a preliminary large parcel sub division plat.
- The public hearing is set for this Thursday.
- Brief discussion follows.

Resolution No. 41 of 2010 read by Supervisor Bruning

WHEREAS New York State Town Law §6-11 permits local governments to adopt laws concerning the property, affairs or government of the Town. And

WHEREAS the Town of Denning Town Board intends to keep the safety and well being of its residents above all else,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Denning Town Board HEREBY approves Resolution No. 41 of 2010 adopting Local Law #1 of 2010, Titled Unsafe Buildings Law which Replaces Local Law #1 of 1997, Titled Unsafe Buildings Law following a Public Hearing at which any and all interested person(s) where heard.

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker.

Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Bruning AYE

Councilman Mike Dean AYE

Councilman Paul Schoonmaker AYE

Councilman Kevin Smith AYE

Councilman David Brooks AYE

Motion carried following a unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution No. 42 of 2010 read by Supervisor Bruning

WHEREAS New York State Town Law section 267 authorizes the Town Board to appoint members to the Planning Board, And

WHEREAS New York State Town Law § 64, Subdivision 5 confers specific authority on Town Boards to fill vacancies in Town Offices.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Mrs. Jennifer Snyder is **HEREBY** appointed to fill the vacancy on the Planning Board for the remainder of term ending 12-31-2011.

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, 2nd by Councilman David Brooks.

Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Bruning AYE

Councilman Mike Dean AYE

Councilman Paul Schoonmaker AYE

Councilman Kevin Smith AYE

Councilman David Brooks AYE

Motion carried following a unanimous roll call vote.

Supervisor Comments:

- Valley Appraisal Services, Supervisor Bruning had the bookkeeper void the last check issued. There are 51 properties without pictures and some others with pictures that are useless.
- He will not pay until everything is straightened out.
- Hired Dave Van Valkenburg to take pictures at \$20.00 per hour.
- Councilman Dave Brooks asks if this is part of Assessor Mike Sommer jobs?
- Supervisor Bruning responds no, Dave will be paid out the original approved funds for the project.
- NYMIR inspection was very thorough. Mr. Bloodgood has sent his recommendations for the Town to do;
 - Copy of Certificate of Liability used by contractors in the Town should be forwarded to the broker or NYMIR. The clerk is instructed to do so.
 - Posting of an Equal Opportunity Employment Statement.
 - The Clerk is researching now.
 - An internet use policy.
 - Safety committee must meet four (4) times per year with the minutes forwarded to the broker or NYMIR.
 - The Town does have a written notice law.
 - Still working on the cable situation, received the waiver for the Towns' petition.
 - Copies of the Attorney for the Town Rod Futerfas response to the proposed zoning law, sub-division regulations and highway standards to the Town Board and Highway Superintendent Van Sadlers. Will call a meeting of the Advisory Committee to review.
 - Review of meeting at the Coalition of Watershed Towns.
 - Supervisor Bruning gives the Board a handout on the Summary of New York City's New Land Acquisition Program. This is available for the interested public at the Town Hall.
 - Councilman Dave Brooks asks if we should rescind the 2001 resolution giving the City the option of buying smaller lots in the Rural District, Supervisor Bruning remarks the Town should stick with the MOA.
 - Supervisor Bruning gives the Board the Budget vs. Actual thru November 2010.
 - Another visit by the DEC yesterday, someone filed a complaint against the Town on October 18th, charging the Town has dumped motor oil down drains, the Town hasn't any drains. The spilling of diesel fuel and gasoline. Also charged the Town has unburied gas tanks, which it did in 2004. The DEC came and inspected, the case has been closed - there where no findings. The officer who inspected and his supervisor would not inform Supervisor Bruning who filed the complaint.
 - Received a Central Hudson flyer regarding the upgrading of electrical fixtures and cost savings for municipalities. They came out and inspected, they will replace the ballast in the lights in the barn, highway lunchroom, highway office as well as the conference room at Town Hall. Shields will also be installed to direct the lighting. Estimated energy saving is 46%. All the work will be done at no cost to the Town.
 - A minor problem with MVP it has been solved.

Board Comments:

- Councilman Paul Schoonmaker inquires if a response has been received from the Public Service Commission yet. Supervisor Bruning responds no, he will take Councilman Schoonmaker suggestion and write to Senator Bonacic.
- Councilman Kevin Smith informs Supervisor Bruning he is gathering all of the information necessary for NIMS and will let him know when he is done.

Public comments: NONE

Motion to adjourn at 7:48 p.m. by Councilman Dave Brooks, 2nd by Councilman Kevin Smith, All in favor. Vote carried 4 to 0.

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Ann Monforte, Town Clerk

Town of Denning – Town Business Meeting

Held on Tuesday, December 14th, 2010 at the Denning Town Hall.

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

Minute book signed prior to the opening of the meeting.

Councilmen: Mike Dean, Paul Schoonmaker, David Brooks

Absent: Councilman Kevin Smith

Also present: Highway Superintendent Dan Van Saders

Highway Vouchers presented (see warrant # 12 vouchers # 228-248)

Motion to approve and pay highway vouchers by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker.

Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Bruning AYE

Councilman Mike Dean AYE

Councilman Paul Schoonmaker AYE

Councilman Kevin Smith ABSENT

Councilman David Brooks AYE

Motion carried following a unanimous roll call vote.

General Vouchers presented, (see warrant #12, voucher #272-305)

Motion to approve and pay general vouchers by Councilman David Brooks, 2nd by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker.

Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Bruning AYE

Councilman Mike Dean AYE

Councilman Paul Schoonmaker AYE

Councilman Kevin Smith ABSENT

Councilman David Brooks AYE

Motion carried following a unanimous roll call vote.

Discussion on the proposed purchase of a 23 - acre parcel located on Brooks Hill Road by New York City. The matter had been submitted to the Planning Board for review.

Motion to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Dave Brooks, All in favor. Motion carried by a 3 to 0 vote.

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Ann Monforte, Town Clerk