

Town of Denning – Town Board Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Supervisor Bruning,
Held on Tuesday, July 5, 2011 at the Denning Town Hall.

Present: Supervisor Bruning

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

Also present: Highway Superintendent Dan Van Saders

The Town Clerk gave the Board members their copy of the agenda,
and resolutions # 32 of 2011 as well as the April and May minutes
from the CWT.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

CORRECTION: by Supervisor Bruning - THE TOWN WILL BE PAYING
35.5%, THE COUNTY SHARE IS 71% OF SAFETY NET COSTS.

Motion to adopt and approve as read and amended 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 Melissa Pauls regarding a vacant position on the
Planning Board.

Highway Report by Superintendent Dan Van Saders

- Shoulders of Sugarloaf Road repaired.
- Washout on New Hill Road.
- Hot mix patched and rolled on Denning and Peekamoose Roads.
- Ho Penn did repair the boon on the backhoe.
- Graded the dirt side on Red Hill Road.
- Currently working on Coons Road.
- Washouts on Schultz and Barnes Roads.
- Sent in the FEMA paperwork for May storms in today.
- Received 3.25 inches of rain at the end of Denning Road.

Code Enforcement – Supervisor Bruning

- Did check out the complaint on Coons Road and everything
seems to be all right. A few things to be corrected.

Highway Equipment Planning- None

Planning Board Report – Supervisor Bruning

- Spoke with planner Dave Gilmour today. He will have the map
update and changes by next Monday. He is concerned with
section 170 of the sub division regulations, which states that
after twenty years the parcel becomes original. His issues from
a legal stand point and pertain to SEQR.
- Supervisor Bruning suggests removing it for this round.
- Councilman Mike Dean informs the Board of a workshop held by
the Planning Board to discuss the moving of buildings located
next to the Blue Hill Lodge, maps where provided. No decision
was made.
- Supervisor Bruning inquires as to the septic? They are planning
on pumping it up to the original leach field. The question is if
the Ulster County Health Dept. must be involved.

Culvert Bid Opening: (SEE ADDENDUM to the minute book)

1 Bid Received: Woodard's Concrete Products, Inc. Taylor Road bid is \$18,300.00 and the options for Denning Road:

- 1.) \$34,980.00 option 2.) \$34,320.00
- 2.) Board discussion follows.

The Town Board chooses option #2 and accepts the bid for Taylor Road.

Resolution # 32 of 2011

WHEREAS New York State Town Law section 113 authorizes the Town Board to transfer monies and adjust budget amounts, and

WHEREAS Account DA3501- State Aid- Consolidated Highway has a budgeted amount of \$80,000.00, and

WHEREAS New York State DOT has allocated \$102,767.00 to the Town of Denning for CHIPS projects, the Town of Denning Town Board

HEREBY authorizes the Supervisor to increase the budgeted amount of Accounts DA3501, State Aid - Consolidated Highway and DA5112.2 Perm Improvement Highway Capital Outlay from \$80,000.00 to \$102,767.00

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Kevin Smith, 2nd by Councilman David Brooks.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE
Councilman David Brooks	AYE
Supervisor Bruning	AYE

Motion carried following a unanimous roll call vote.

Supervisor Comments:

- ❖ The historical signage is being redone at no cost to the Town.
- ❖ Spoke with County Executive Mike Hein at the Supervisors Meeting regarding the bridge by Town Hall. He has not returned phone calls.
- ❖ The paperwork for the grant reimbursement is completed.
- ❖ The paperwork for the reimbursement of the hamlet designation has also been received.
- ❖ Flower garden is moving along. Stating he told them to make sure they work with Karen Rauter of the DEP.
- ❖ There was some concern about ownership of the strip of land running along the river. It is owned by the Wellington's and after having spoken with Pat she said to go ahead and plant whatever you want.
- ❖ Discussion opened on the Melissa Pauls letter. Supervisor Bruning asks everyone to speak honestly. Miss Pauls is employed by the YMCA. He has heard grumbling about too many people being on the Board from the YMCA.
- ❖ Councilman Dave Brooks asks how long she has lived here?
- ❖ Councilman Mike Dean responds a few years. The current member who is not showing up term expires in December of 2013.
- ❖ Supervisor Bruning states we have a resolution to remove a member if they don't show up for three meetings however we would the need to look at everyone's attendance.
- ❖ Councilman Paul Schoonmaker inquires as to how many members are from the YMCA and feels they should be represented as they are part of the community.

- ❖ Councilman Dave Brooks states one current member who's husband works for the YMCA. Due to the Ethics Law any members would have to recuse themselves.
- ❖ Councilman Dave Brooks remarks it is hard to get people to volunteer and to show up.
- ❖ Councilman Kevin Smith comments he would not have a problem as long as they recused themselves.
- ❖ Supervisor Bruning requests the Town Board think it over until next meeting.
- ❖ Supervisor Bruning and Councilman Mike Dean attended a meeting regarding the flood maps. They are being done by DEC, DEP and FEMA to be completed in 2014. They have been working for three years; the DEP is paying \$7 million for the project.
- ❖ Councilman Dave Brooks asks if they had any maps?
- ❖ Supervisor Bruning responds no, nothing.
- ❖ Sundown road signs, brief discussion opened.

Board Comments:

- Councilman Paul Schoonmaker tells Highway Superintendent Van Sadlers that they did a nice job with the hot mix and roller on Denning Road by the bridge.
- Councilman Dave Brooks asks if the Town could light a fire under the ZBA to pass a resolution regarding home rule like the planning board did.
- Supervisor Bruning asks Councilman Kevin Smith about NIMS, Councilman Smith responds we are up to date. Further, he will keep everyone informed.

Public comments:

- ❖ George Elias tells the Board about the library and museum, describing all three floors. Stating this building is the place where the Town of Denning keeps its history.
- ❖ Helen Elias asks if the Town has ever given any money to the museum?
- ❖ Supervisor Bruning will call the Association of Towns legal dept. and see where we are from a legal standpoint.
- ❖ Russ Betters comments nice work on Peekamoose Road.
- ❖ Supervisor Bruning asks Superintendent Van Sadlers if the R&R stairs have been returned? Response by Superintendent Van Sadlers; end of the week.

Motion to adjourn at 8:24 p.m. by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, 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, July 12, 2011 at the Denning Town Hall.
Called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Supervisor Bruning

The Supervisor presented the Budget vs. Actual for the month of June 2011.

Present: Supervisor Bruning
Councilmen: Mike Dean, Paul Schoonmaker, Kevin Smith,
and David Brooks
Also present: Highway Superintendent Dan Van Sadlers

Highway Vouchers presented (see warrant # 7)
Brief comments regarding the decreasing price of diesel, both rollers have been repaired and Schultz Road.
Motion to approve and pay highway vouchers by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, All in favor. Motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote.

General Vouchers presented, (see warrant # 7)
Supervisor Bruning talks about a file cabinet and court grant being completed. Councilman Dave Brooks comments on the low fees charged by Attorney for the Town Rod Futerfas.
Motion to approve and pay general vouchers by Councilman Dave Brooks, 2nd by Councilman Kevin Smith, All in favor. Motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote.

Discussion opened on the Town donating monies to the Time and the Valley Museum. Supervisor Bruning talked to Carl about donating to the museum and it is perfectly legal. Mike Dean and Dave Brooks agree. Supervisor Bruning asks for a \$1,000.00 donation, the Board approves. Supervisor Bruning will submit a general fund voucher for the donation.

Discussion opened on the Planning Board member who has not shown for meetings. The Planning Board Chairman will send him a letter advising him of the intention to replace him at the August Town Board meeting if he does not have any objections.

Brief general discussion follows.

Motion to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. by Councilman Dave Brooks, 2nd by Councilman Mike Dean, All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted by Tammy Beck, Deputy Town Clerk
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