

Town of Denning – Town Board Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Bruning,
Held on Tuesday, March 6, 2012 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
CWT meeting minutes from November and December 2011.

Pledge of Allegiance

Guest: Terry Bernardo, rescheduled for August.

Mr. Mark McCarthy, Town of Neversink Supervisor

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 4 to 0 vote.

Correspondence: Supervisor Bruning

- A letter from Attorney for the Town Rod Futerfas regarding questions from Planner Dave Gilmour; a copy of which is given to Zoning Advisory Committee members Councilmen Kevin Smith and Dave Brooks.
- A letter from Ulster County Board of Elections stating that the Town may deliver the lever voting machines to the County for storage. Supervisor Bruning informs all present that he has offered them to the Tri Valley Central School District if they wanted to upgrade their machines. He has not received a response as of yet. He will not pay for delivery of the machines to Kingston.

Guest Mr. Mark McCarthy, Town of Neversink Supervisor arrives with the original Shared Service Contract to be signed by Supervisor Bruning. Supervisor Bruning gives a brief history of the reason for and then signs Said Agreement. Councilman Dave Brooks thanks Supervisor McCarthy and the Town of Neversink for their aid after the flood, stating we could not have accomplished what we did without the Highway Departments assistance.

Correspondence Continued by Supervisor Bruning

- A letter from NYCDEP regarding the Enhanced LTAP: which involves land trust is assigned to Councilman Dave Brooks.
- An email from David Thompson informing the Board of an error on maps calling Peekamoose Road - Bull Run.
- Discussion follows.
- Email read from Carol Ryan about the upcoming Emergency Disaster Planning Meeting to be held March 22. Supervisor Bruning and Councilman Dave Brooks will attend.
- A letter read from the U.C. Association of Supervisors and Mayors to the State Representatives with a resolution for New York State to pay for the cost of three primaries.
- A packet from Couch White regarding the building of a hydro electric facilities on the Cannonsville and Neversink Reservoirs; assigned to Councilman Dave Brooks for review.

- Supervisor Bruning reports on a meeting he attended last week involving recreational boating on the Neversink Reservoir, boats must be steam cleaned. Details are still being worked out.

Highway Report by Superintendent Dan Van Saders

- Equipment repair report given.
- Pothole cold patch repair work done on Sugarloaf Road.
- Going thru FEMA projects one, at a time, easier ones first.
- Brush cut at the end of Barnes Road and on Voss Road, received the property owners permission.
- Frost and thawing is rough on the roads, making them heave.
- Thanks the Board for agreeing to the Shared Service Agreement with the Town of Neversink.

Code Enforcement Report by Supervisor Bruning

- Spoke with Code Enforcement Officer Von Hassel when he came in today and it is slow, residents are wanting of the weather to break.

Highway Equipment Planning- No Report

Planning Board Report – Councilman Mike Dean

- Carol Ramsey a Yeagerville Road resident came to the Planning Board with a sub division, she is keeping the house and 3 acres, selling the rest to NYCDEP.

Supervisor Comments:

- ❖ Supervisor Bruning inform the Board that he has hired Teri Lockhart to replace the accountant who became the U.C. Deputy Finance Director.
- ❖ Due to the change in accountants he has requested and received a sixty-day extension on the filing of the Annual Report.
- ❖ Further informing all present that next Monday he will be attended a 6 pm meeting at the Tri Valley Central School District to discuss the Red Cross shelter designation.
- ❖ Spoke with Senator Bonacic regarding the Linda Mathe bridge situation, remarking he has spoken to everyone he can think of about it, no one has any funds to help her.

Board Comments:

- Councilman Mike Dean inquires as to the status of the new zoning.
- Councilman Dave Brooks informs the Board that Carl Landon has proposed doing all of the changes necessary at \$1.50 per page if we do not receive the program from Planner Dave Gilmour.
- Supervisor Bruning comments that the new zoning is Town property, as we have paid for it, he must turn it over. Commenting that the last time he spoke with Planner Gilmour he stated the Attorney for the Town had been holding him up. Now that the letter has gone out to him from the Attorney he no longer has an excuse.
- Councilman Dave Brooks opens a discussion on Peekamoose Road and suggests barrels be placed to inform out of Town drivers the need to slow down because of a rough patch of roadway ahead.

Public comments:

- Resident Russ Betters suggests crusher run for spots on Peekamoose Road.
- Discussion follows.
- Resident Grace Rivera states while she knows they cannot comment on pending litigation she has several questions: who pays for the Town insurance and what is the premium?
- Supervisor Bruning response, the taxpayers and the premium is \$15,896.00.
- She asks what is the deductible, Supervisor Bruning responds \$1,000.00.
- Mrs. Rivera also wants to know what the limit is, brief discussion on what limit and the response from Supervisor Bruning is \$2,000,000.00.
- She asks if the exclusions pay for attorneys in full and the settlement.
- Supervisor Bruning responds yes it is covered by the insurance as long as the Town has not done something dishonest.
- Mrs. Rivera wants to know if it covers them personally?
- Supervisor Bruning responds he is covered as Supervisor and the rest he will not comment on as it is pending litigation.

Motion to adjourn at 8:07 p.m. by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Dave Brooks, 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, March 13, 2012 at the Denning Town Hall.

Called to order at 7:06 p.m. by Supervisor Bruning

Minute book signed prior to the opening of the meeting.

The Supervisor presents to the Board the Budget vs. Actual thru February 2012. The Town Clerk presents the Board with the Bid Fact Sheet and agenda.

Present: Supervisor Bruning

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

Also present: Highway Superintendent Dan Van Sadlers

11 Material Bids opened and read as follows:

Sheeley Oil & Excavating, Deckelman LLC, C.K.& K Trucking, 209 Sand & Gravel LLC, Werlau Enterprises LLC dba Liberty Sand & Gravel, Woodbourne Lawn & Garden Inc., Schaefer Enterprises of Deposit Inc., E. Tetz & Sons, Mombaccus Excavating Inc., Callanan Industries Inc., and Bruce Donohue submits 3 bids; 1 from Kingston, 1 from Bridgeville and Brown Sand from Napanoch.

(See Addendum to the minutes)

Supervisor Bruning remarks to Highway Superintendent Dan Van Sadlers that you have a lot to review.

Highway Vouchers presented (see warrant # 3, voucher# 40-70)
Motion to approve and pay highway vouchers by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Dave Brooks, All in favor. Motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote.

General Vouchers presented, (see warrant # 3, voucher # 43-68)
Motion to approve and pay general vouchers by Councilman Dave Brooks, 2nd by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, All in favor. Motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote.

Supervisor Bruning remarks to resident Jack Cox that "your next". Mr. Cox states "you guys are taking such good care of our money". Further "it is good to see how things work." Mr. Cox asks about the \$4,000.00 Rio Alto rental. Supervisor Bruning informs him it is where the Town stores equipment and stone; the Town doesn't have anywhere else. Mr. Cox asks if we are receiving FEMA and the bond for Peekamoose Road. Supervisor Bruning explains the federal governments payment of 75%, the States' payment of 12.5% and the local government payment of 12.5%. Further stating he is in negotiations with the DEP to pick up our 12.5%, which is \$100,000.00. Cost of Peekamoose road to date is about \$845,000.00 plus black top. Highway Superintendent Van Sadlers informs Mr. Cox that the paperwork is ongoing with the preliminary done, it takes several months for payment. He is working with FEMA.

Councilman Dave Brooks returns the Enhanced Land Trust papers back to Supervisor Bruning and recommends not joining. The next opt in is 2016. Councilman Brooks also gives a review of the hydroelectric facility proposed for the Pepacton and Neversink Reservoirs.

He reads a paragraph where New York City states it owns the water. Brief discussion follows. No action is taken by the Town Board.

Supervisor Bruning informs the Board of his meeting last evening with Tri Valley School Superintendent Tom Palmer, School Board President Mike Brooks, Neversink Town Supervisor Mark McCarthy and another school representative to discuss the schools designation as a Red Cross evacuation site. School Superintendent Palmer will check with the Red Cross as to the cots and blankets which where to have been delivered as well as the possibility of a mobile generator. The next problem is the lack of a generator. All in attendance will write letters to their representatives, the CWC and DEP. Will have more meetings and keep after it. Discussion of electrical work; which may be needed for a generator hook up.

Councilman Dave Brooks informs the Board of his attendance at a DEP boating meeting in Neversink. There will be 2 vendors to steam clean kayaks or sail boats for each reservoir. The NYCDEP will pay for training, equipment, computer and day tags. He has told Jim Connors (of Sundown Camp and Bait) about the program. Brief discussion on location and mileage to Neversink Reservoir for the proposed businesses. As well as brief discussion on someone trying to go down the Branch during high water.

Motion to adjourn at 8:43 p.m. by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Ann Monforte, Town Clerk