

Town of Denning – Town Board Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Supervisor Bruning,
Held on Tuesday, December 2nd, 2013 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 Minute Book was signed prior to the opening of the meeting.

The Town Clerk gave the Board members their copy of the agenda, Resolution No. 49, the CWT minutes from October's meeting, Code Enforcement Officer Von Hassel's Year End Summary has been submitted as well as correspondence to the Supervisor. The Town Clerk also includes in the packet correspondence from the Association of Towns, newly elected officers training information.

Pledge of Allegiance

Reading of last month's minutes by Town Clerk Joy 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 –Supervisor Bruning

- The monthly donation from the Frost Valley YMCA in the amount of \$8,500.00 has been received and is gratefully acknowledged.
- The Supervisor reads a cover letter from the Ulster County Legislature approving Resolution No. 299 of 2013; approving the County's payment of 66% of the local share cost associated with Safety Net as of January 1st, 2014 and 100% of local share cost beginning January 1, 2015.

Highway Report by Highway Superintendent Dan Van Saders

- Guiderail done on the culvert project and the grass has started to come up.
- Filled in the shoulder at New Road Hill, cut trees on the bank to relieve pressure.
- Put in de-linear posts so no one drives on the shoulder.
- The streambed rose when material was put on the shoulder of the road.
- The rough spots on Wild Meadow Road where graded.

Code Enforcement – Supervisor Bruning

- Submits the End of Year summary report for review.
- Supervisor Bruning reads a letter from the COE to Mr. and Mrs. L. Whipple that they are not in compliance with the clean up of their property and are in violation of New York State Law, which he included in his letter to them. They have not responded and have until the 15th of December 2013 to do so.
- Supervisor Bruning asks if the Board is willing to authorize the COE to issue a ticket.
- Councilman Mike Dean remarks apparently they will not finish cleaning it up any other way.
- The Board will revisit the issue when time appropriate.

Planning Board Report- Councilman Mike Dean

- The Frost Valley YMCA has submitted plans for a 1500 sq. ft. extension on the Registration Building and the removal of Smith Lodge with the Bloom Center being built in the same footprint but one story instead of 2.

Resolution No. 49 of 2013

WHEREAS New York State Real Property Law Section 523 grants the Town Board the right to appoint a Board of Assessment Review, and

WHEREAS the appointment of James Hlinican has expired on September 30, 2013,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that James Hlinican be re-appointed to the Town of Denning Board of Assessment Review for the 5-year term as required by New York State Law, to expire September 30, 2018.

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

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:

- Supervisor Bruning informs the Board they must apply for a second benefit card on their own and the fee is \$10.25.
- Supervisor Bruning asks Highway Superintendent Dan Van Sadlers to give a clean copy of the application form to the Town Clerk for distribution and filing.
- Time Warner Cable update: spoke with Cyrus Hyzoonie and Dave Whalen and neither has gotten back to him.
- Spoke with Chris Gibson office regarding FEMA payment for Irene and Lee, he his supposed to get back to him too.
- Resident Greg Vurckio asks Supervisor Bruning his opinion on why the FEMA reimbursement is taking so long.
- Supervisor Bruning explains that payment goes thru New York State and that no one answers the phone at FEMA.

Board Comments:

- Councilman Paul Schoonmaker comments he saw an obituary in the paper for a resident on Wild Cat Road.
- A discussion is opened on the condition of the property and the status of the ZBA application.
- Supervisor Bruning informs the Town Board that the County had placed Greenville Road on the Town's road inventory list; it was caught by Highway Superintendent Van Sadlers and removed by the NYSDOT.

- Brief discussion on Peekamoose Road and if that was how it came to be a Town road. According to the NYSDOT it became a Town road in 1981.

Public Comments:

- Resident Russ Betters informs the Board that he has gotten a couple of calls regarding the lack of service from Ulster County on Greenville Road, no sand, saying they didn't even come out for 1 storm.

Motion to adjourn at 7:49 by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Dave Brooks, All in favor. Motion carried 4 to 0 vote.

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Ann Monforte, Town Clerk 12-4-2013

Next meeting: Tuesday, December 10th, 2013 at the Denning Town Hall

Town of Denning – Town Business Meeting

Held on Tuesday, December 10, 2013 at the Denning Town Hall.
Called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Supervisor Bruning

The Minute Book was signed prior to the opening of the meeting.

The Town Clerk presented to the Board a copy of the agenda, "The Update, Fall 2013" NYS Retirement pamphlet as well as the general vouchers to the Supervisor.

Present: Supervisor Bruning

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

Also present: Highway Superintendent Dan Van Saders

Highway Voucher presented, (see Warrant #12, voucher # 284-299)

- Councilman Dave Brooks asks Highway Superintendent Dan Van Saders what the issue was with Steve's truck? Highway Superintendent Dan Van Saders responds EGR cooler.
- Brief discussion on the Prestige tow bill.
- Highway Superintendent Dan Van Saders reminds the Board that the warranty on Steve's truck runs out in 6 months.

Motion to approve and pay highway fund vouchers by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Kevin Smith, All in favor. Motion carried by a unanimous 4 to 0 Roll Call vote.

The warrant is in the amount of \$.

General Vouchers presented, (see Warrant #12, vouchers (#313-349)

Motion to approve and pay general fund vouchers by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, 2nd by Councilman Kevin Smith, All in favor. Motion carried by a unanimous 4 to 0 Roll Call vote.

The warrant is in the amount of \$.

Supervisor Bruning informs the Board he has briefly spoken with the new representative from Time Warner Cable, she will be sending information to the Town Hall.

Supervisor Bruning remarks since 2004, his first budget the General Fund has decreased by 16.5%, the Highway Fund has increased by 26.3%, the increase is due to salary and retirement costs.

Motion to adjourn at 7:55 by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Kevin Smith, All in favor. Motion carried 4 to 0 vote.

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Ann Monforte, Town Clerk 12-11-2013

Next meeting: Monday, December 30th, 2013 at the Denning Town Hall.

Town of Denning – Town Close Out Meeting

Held on Monday, December 30, 2013 at the Denning Town Hall.

Called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Supervisor Bruning

The Minute Book was signed prior to the opening of the meeting.

The Town Clerk presented to the Board a copy of the agenda, as well as the general vouchers to the Supervisor. Supervisor Bruning explains his key ring to Supervisor Elect Brooks.

Present: Supervisor Bruning

Councilmen: Mike Dean, Paul Schoonmaker, David Brooks and

Councilman Kevin Smith and Councilman Elect Greg Vurckio.

Also present: Highway Superintendent Dan Van Sadlers

Highway Voucher presented, (see Warrant #12 C, voucher #1-5)
NYS Retirement voucher pulled to be paid in 2014.

Motion to approve and pay highway fund vouchers by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Kevin Smith, All in favor. Motion carried by a unanimous 4 to 0 Roll Call vote.

The warrant is in the amount of \$.

General Vouchers presented, (see Warrant #12 C, vouchers (#1-14)
NYS Retirement voucher pulled to be paid in 2014.

Motion to approve and pay general fund vouchers by Councilman Dave Brooks, 2nd by Councilman Kevin Smith, All in favor. Motion carried by a unanimous 4 to 0 Roll Call vote.

The warrant is in the amount of \$.

Resolution No.50 of 2013

WHEREAS New York State Town Law section 113 and 285-a authorizes the Town Board to transfer monies and unexpended balances and adjust budget accounts when necessary, and

WHEREAS some accounts were under expended and others were over expended, the Town of Denning Town Board

HEREBY authorizes the Town Supervisor to make the following adjustments to the 2013 Town Budget accounts:

General Fund:

Increase:

Account A1110.4- Town Justice Contractual From \$3000. To \$3600.00

Account A1220.4 -Town Supervisor Contractual from \$1000.00 to \$2500.00

Account A1460.4- Record Mngt. Cont. from \$2000.00 to \$2900.00

Account A1650.4 Central Comm. Sys. Cont. from \$1000.00 to \$1300.00

Account A3510.4 Dog Control Cont. from \$ 700.00 to \$1500.00

Account A3620.4 Safety Insp. Cont. from \$1500.00 to \$1800.00

Account A5132 Garage Other from \$0.00 to \$300.00

Account A6140.4 Soc. Ser. Home Relief from \$10000.00 to \$15000.00

Decrease:

Account A1910.4 Unallocated Insurance from \$24000.00 to \$19000.00

Account A1990.4 Contingency from \$6500.00 to \$1800.00

Highway Fund:

Increase:

Account DA5130.4 Machinery Cont. from \$60000.00 to \$91000.00

Account DA5142.4 Snow Removal Cont. from \$90000.00 to \$120000.00

Account DA9010.8 NYS Ret. System from \$44024.00 to \$50124.00

Account DA5142.1 Snow Removal Personal from \$122872.00 to \$129872.00

Decrease:

Account DA5110.4 Main. Of Streets Cont. from \$110.000.00 to \$52000.00

Account DA5120.4 Bridges Cont. from \$50380.00 to \$44380.00

Account DA5130.2 Machinery Equip. from \$15000.00 to \$5000.00

Account DA5140.4 Brush and Weeds Cont. from \$1500.00 to \$1400.00

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Dave Brooks, 2nd by Councilman Mike Dean.

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.

Due to impending weather the Organizational Meeting time has been moved up to 4:30 pm.

Supervisor Bruning thanks the Town Board for their support remarking it has been a pleasure and states you are only as good as the people who work for you.

Councilman Mike Dean states it has been his pleasure to work with Bill.

Councilman Paul Schoonmaker remarks a lot of improvements
Supervisor Bruning states that Highway Superintendent Van Sadlers has stayed within his budget while doing a lot of FEMA work as well as CHIPS work.

Dep. TC/Court Clerk Tammy Beck wishes Supervisor Bruning good luck and to enjoy his retirement.

Motion to adjourn at 7:49 by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Dave Brooks, All in favor. Motion carried 4 to 0 vote.

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Ann Monforte, Town Clerk 12-31-2013

Next meeting: The Organizational Meeting at 4:30 pm
Thursday, January 2nd, 2014 at the Denning Town Hall.