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BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 15, 2009

The Gerry Town Board met at 7:00 PM, December 15, 2009, at the Gerry Town Hall for the regular monthly board meeting.

Present were: John R. Crossley, Supervisor
Robert B. Heitzenrater, Councilman
Gary J. Swan, Councilman
Richard C. Heath, Councilman
Linda D. Bartholomew, Councilwoman
Recia L. Myers, Town Clerk
Mark A. Risley, Highway Superintendent
Dave Crossley, Zoning Officer

CALL TO ORDER:

Supervisor Crossley called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1) A liquor renewal application was received from Teel Wolcott, owner of the Backyard Bar and Grill, notifying intent to renew her license.
- 2) A notice of a public hearing regarding Zoning Law Amendments from the Town of Ellery was received.
- 3) A Notice was received from the Department of Environmental Conservation regarding repairing of a creek bed along Mill Creek on Sinclair Drive Extension.

OFFICERS REPORT:

Zoning Officer.

Dave Crossley, Zoning Officer, commented he has received 10 new permits for December and is having problems with a resident on Harris Hill Road regarding Zoning concerns and may need to be placed in the Court's hands. A residence on Edson Road needs to be cleaned up before a permit can be issued for a new home as well.

- 10 permits for this month
- 20 pending permits
- 3 Certificate of Occupancies to be issued for 09
- 4 Certificate of Compliances to be issued for 09
- 1 Certificate of Occupancy to be issued for 08

Dog Control Officer.

Troy Kennelley, DCO, reported he picked up three stray dogs. He received one call for an emaciated stray dog and could not locate it. Issued six appearance tickets for unlicensed dogs

Highway Superintendent.

Highway Superintendent, Mark Risley, asked if the Town Board had time to review the Snow and Ice Removal Policy. Councilman Heath noted that it covers everything. Mark Risley, Highway Superintendent, commented that William Duncanson, Jr., Town Attorney, is reviewing and changing items and he hopes to have this ready for next year.

Highway Superintendent, Mark Risley, noted that the County is getting rid of surplus and there are maintenance trucks for sale in good shape. He looked at the trucks and really liked the 2000 International, a quad cab with 165000 miles on it and the Town could purchase this with the plow and wing for only \$9,000.00. Mark

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believes this would be a good deal and the Town should have a back up plow as they have one that is about 30 years old now. After discussion, Supervisor Crossley entertained a motion for the Highway Superintendent to purchase the 2000 International Plow Truck from the Chautauqua County Highway for \$9,000.00,. A motion was made by Councilman Heitzenrater, seconded by Councilman Heath. Approved.

The Garage still does not have the insulation up and the company who was chose should be working on it next Monday or the Town will decide to find another company to finish the project.

Assessor's report.
No Report received.

COMMITTEES, BOARDS OR AGENCIES:

Park & Recreation Committee.
No Report, inactive for season.

SPECIAL ORDERS:

Resolution No. 54 - 2009. Designated Fair Housing Officer. A motion was made by Councilman Heath, seconded by Councilman Swan. Approved. Discussion.

Resolution No. 55 - 2009. Appointment of Registrar. A motion was made by Councilwoman Bartholomew, seconded by Councilman Heitzenrater. Approved.

Minute approval for the November 2009 Board Meeting and Public Hearing for the Preliminary Budget was approved on a motion by Councilman Heitzenrater, seconded by Councilman Swan. Approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Piano. A letter was received from Dave Hall requesting the purchase of the piano upstairs for \$10.00. The Town Historian requested to keep the piano here for now. After discussion, it was decided to keep the piano and the Town Clerk will return the \$10.00 and notify Mr. Hall.

Army Reserve. Supervisor Crossley commented that state leaders would like him to resend another letter explaining why the town needs the facility. Supervisor Crossley asked the Town Board if they think we could maintain the building if we were to receive it. Supervisor Crossley believes the Town could maintain it if needed and the Town Board agreed. Supervisor Crossley will mail out a letter and keep the Town Board informed on the process.

Liability Insurance. Supervisor Crossley received the premium for the liability insurance through the Deuink Agency for insurance company Trident and the coverage is \$1,000.00 down from last year and has better coverage. A resolution will be presented at the organizational meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Year-End Board Meeting is scheduled for December 29, 2009 at 6:00 PM.

The Organizational Meeting is scheduled for January 5, 2010 at 6:00 PM.

VOUCHER APPROVAL:

Highway Fund Vouchers #196 - 219 totaling \$6,651.54 was approved on a motion by Councilman Heath; seconded by Councilwoman Bartholomew. Approved.

General Fund Vouchers #332 - 359 totaling \$3,357.61 was approved on a motion by Councilman Heitzenrater; seconded by Councilwoman Bartholomew. Approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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The next Board meeting will be held 6:30 PM, January 14, 2010 at the town hall.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 7:32 PM on a motion by Councilman Heitzenrater, seconded by Councilman Swan.

Minutes taken by

Recia L. Myers,
Town Clerk