

BOARD MEETING

APRIL 08, 2010

The Gerry Town Board met at 7:00 PM, March 11, 2010, at the Gerry Town Hall for the regular monthly board meeting.

Present were: John R. Crossley, Supervisor

Robert B. Heitzenrater, Councilman/Deputy Supervisor

Gary J. Swan, Councilman

Richard C. Heath, Councilman

Linda D. Bartholomew, Councilwoman

Jodie L. Fehlman, Deputy Town Clerk

Mark A. Risley, Highway Superintendent

Larry Barmore, District 9 Legislator

Absent was: Recia L. Myers, Town Clerk

Troy Kennelley, Dog Control Officer

David Crossley, Zoning Officer

CALL TO ORDER:

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

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Supervisor Crossley asked Larry Barmore, District 9 Legislator what the schedule is for bridge repair, District 9 Legislator, Larry Barmore stated that the schedule is the same as last year. Supervisor Crossley stated that the bridge on Hanson road is still not finished. Highway Superintendent, Mark Risley, stated that the land owners were holding up the finishing of this bridge project.

COMMUNICATIONS:

There were no communications received.

OFFICERS REPORT:

Zoning Officer.

No report was given .

Dog Control Officer.

Troy Kennelley, DCO, reported he picked up two dogs. He stated he will begin the enumeration on May 1. He will be conducting the enumeration in two stages due to his work schedule and his schooling. Supervisor Crossley stated that he would like to have an agreement between the Town of Gerry and the Town of Charlotte for shared services for dog control.

Highway Superintendent.

Highway Superintendent, Mark Risley, stated that all the stone needed for this year is hauled. Mark Risley , Highway Superintendent stated that he will be out of town from April 10 through April 24, 2010 if anyone needs anything to please contact Brian Anderson Deputy Highway Superintendent.

Supervisor Crossley stated the Town received a bill from National Fuel for the Highway Building. The gas meter at the Highway building was broken and the meter has since been replaced however this bill is estimated for \$2,300. 00. The Town of Gerry is disputing this bill due to that fact the meter was broken and not giving an exact reading.

Assessor's report.

Kevin Okerlund, Town Assessor, is currently in the process of finishing all the valuation of new building permits, incomplete permits from previous years, and property and request for review.

In addition, all the exemption changes, property sketches, new photos, and valuation updates are being entered on the computer system. Change of Assessment Notices will be mailed out the first week of May.

The Tentative Roll will be filed May 1, with the corresponding notice published in the Post-Journal.

Grievance Day will be held on Wednesday May 26, 2010 from 4pm to 8pm.

COMMITTEES, BOARDS OR AGENCIES:

Park & Recreation Committee.

Councilman Heath stated he wanted to thank the guys for helping to open the park.

Councilman Heath reported he received a call from David Hall about a boy that had his fingers cut on the chain nets on the basketball hoops. Councilman Heath contacted him to find out how badly he was injured and he stated it was not bad. Councilman Heath stated that he has replaced the chain nets with nylon nets and was completed on April 1st.

Councilman Heath, stated that he has received estimate from one company for materials to fix the concession stand, and he will get two more estimates for the labor following the guide lines of the procurement policy for the Town of Gerry.

Councilman Heath noted that Summer Recreation positions would be advertised in May.

Supervisor Crossley is concerned that the Town of Gerry should be interviewing for the Summer Recreation and Assistants every year, along with the Part Time mower position due to the fact that there may be others that may want to work at these jobs. Highway Superintendent, Mark Risley, stated that it is hard to find someone who is not hard on the equipment and it takes a long time to train someone new on the equipment. Highway Superintendent, Mark Risley stated that they have found some wheels that can be attached to the weed eater to make it so you do not have to hold the whole weight of the weed eater. After a discussion the Town Board decided that they will keep Jim Boerst as part time mower for this year. Councilman Heath will be contacting Jim Boerst, PT Mower, to see if he was still interested in the position for this year.

The Town Board will address the matter of interviewing every year for the Part time mower and the Summer Recreation, and Assistants at the Organizational Meeting at the beginning of next year.

Town Picnic Committee.

Councilwoman Bartholomew stated she had nothing to report at this time.

SPECIAL ORDERS:

Resolution No. 27- 2010. Authorizing Town Clerks and Board Members To Attend Southern Tier West Conference. A motion was made by Councilman Heath, seconded by Councilman Heitzenrater. Approved.

Minute approval for the March 2010 Board Meeting was approved on a motion by Councilwoman Bartholomew, seconded by Councilman Swan. Approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Supervisor Crossley stated that there was a guy that stopped and looked at the building to see if there was anything to be done for the yellowing of the siding, and they found that the siding was put on with steel nails that have rusted and that is the reason for the discoloring of the siding after the pressure washing of the building.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sally Carlson a member of the chautauqua lake management commission has sent letters to all of Towns and villages notifying them of the efforts of cleaning up the towns. Supervisor Crossley and Gerry Town Clerk, Recia Myers, have been working on getting things together to hold a Town clean up day on April 24, 2010. Supervisor Crossley stated that he has contacted the Village of Sinclairville and the Town of Charlotte to join in on the clean up day on April 24,2010.

Highway Superintendent ,Mark Risley, stated that he would get the garbage bags for the town clean up day. He also stated that he get some maps of the town and get them to Recia Myers, Gerry Town Clerk, so she can make copies to give out to the people when they get divided up they will know where they are going.

Larry Barmore, District 9 Legislator, commented that the landfill in the Town of Ellery will waive the charges for the municipality for town clean up day on April 24, 2010.

Supervisor Crossley Stated that he was contacted by Cherin Mehs about the memorial day parade to remind everyone to attend.

Supervisor Crossley was contacted by Don Cornell from Sinclairville to see if the Town of Gerry would be able to donate monies to help support one of the Little League teams. Supervisor Crossley stated that he should contact the Village of Sinclairville and the Town of Charlotte to help with the other teams. Councilman Heath noted that the team should do a can drive to help off set some of the cost of the teams. This donation will be evaluated every year.

Supervisor Crossley entertained a motion to donate \$75.00 to the Sinclairville Little League, A motion made by Councilman Heitzenrater, seconded by Councilwoman Bartholomew. Approved.

VOUCHER APPROVAL:

Highway Fund Vouchers #41 - 59 totaling \$57,094.68 was approved on a motion by Councilman Swan; seconded by Councilman Heath. Approved.

General Fund Vouchers #85 - 107 totaling \$5,883.68 was approved on a motion by Councilman Heitzenrater; seconded by Councilwoman Bartholomew. Approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next Board meeting will be held 6:30 PM, May 13, 2010 at the town hall.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 PM on a motion by Councilman Heath, seconded by Councilman Swan.

Minutes taken by

Jodie L. Fehlman,
Deputy Town Clerk