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BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 12, 2010

The Gerry Town Board met at 6:30PM, August 12, 2010, 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
William Duncanson, Jr., Town Attorney
Dave Crossley, Zoning Officer
Larry Barmore, District 9 Legislator

CALL TO ORDER:

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

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Dick Holley commented that Kenny Douglas started a honor roll that Dave Miller had started before Mr. Douglas passed away, and Mr. Holley requested if the Town could pick up the cost of the project and place it in the Town Park. Supervisor Crossley commented that it would be a good idea but if they could wait until the spring of next year due to the weather and also so that the Town can budget ahead of time for next year. Supervisor Crossley will contact Mr. Miller when ready to purchase and Highway will place the memorial at the Town Park.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A letter was received from Brad Gane on Hodge Road requesting for the reduction of the speed limit on Hodge Road. After discussion the Town Board agreed to have the Highway Superintendent make a verbal request to John Bremmer from the County Department and Mr. Risley will let the Town Board what there decision is.

A flyer was received from the Village of Sinclairville outlining the events being held on September 11 for their annual History Fair.

A request from the Town of Barker asking for a resolution of support for horizontal drilling was received. Supervisor Crossley commented there must be a battle going on and they would like to know more information before putting together a resolution of support.

OFFICERS REPORT:

Zoning Officer.

Dave Crossley, Zoning Officer, commented he has been busy with permits and Trial Courts this month.

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10 permits issued this month.

26 pending permits

Dog Control Officer. Troy Kennelley, DCO, was absent but submitted the following report:

Picked up 2 stray dogs and 1 was reclaimed. Continued enumeration on Herrick Road and had a dog attack on 28 Mile Creek Road. The neighbor has since put in a kennel and should no longer be an issue. I will be attending the Sheriff's Academy so I shall be busy but will remain doing the enumeration sparingly.

Supervisor Crossley commented that the Town Clerk passed out packets regarding the ceasing of operations of dog licensing by New York State and the

placement of licensing in the municipalities hands. There is a lot of work involved in the process for charging fees, etc. due by January 1, 2011. Town Attorney, William Duncanson, Jr., suggested to have a meeting to discuss the licensing concerns. A meeting will take place after a budget meeting held in September.

Highway Superintendent.

Highway Superintendent, Mark Risley, commented that the CHIPS monies arrived and the Highway has been busy mowing the sides of the roads this summer.

Supervisor Crossley commented that he received a phone call from a resident at Heritage Village regarding the condition of the Cold Storage Building. Supervisor Crossley went to look at it and said the condition is not even worth painting the building. Supervisor Crossley and Highway Superintendent, Mark Risley, discussed the building and they would suggest adding on to the green building at highway department and demolishing the cold storage shed. Mark is getting quotes to see how much the process would be and will report back to Supervisor Crossley.

Assessor's report.
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The final roll was filed July 1 and over the next month I will be updating the computer to be able to start working on next years roll.

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The School Tax Roll was filed with the County. Tax bill processing is under way, with tax bills being mailed out the end of August.

Final equalization rates were issued by the State. The Town's rate will be at 88.75% down from 90.2% last year. I have no problems with this rate as the sales that are occurring reflect a rate in the low to mid 80's.

COMMITTEES, BOARDS OR AGENCIES:

Park & Recreation Committee.

Councilman Heath reported that the stone plaque for Kenny Douglas next to the tree planted will be up soon.

Town Picnic Committee.

Councilwoman Bartholomew stated that the Gerry Town Picnic is set for Saturday from Noon - 4:00 PM. She has had a hard working committee and there will be free hot dogs and hamburgers, corn on the cob and drinks and she hopes to see everyone there.

SPECIAL ORDERS:

Resolution No. 35- 2010. Appointment of an Alternate for Zoning Board of Appeals. A motion was made by Councilman Heitzenrater, seconded by Councilman Swan. Approved.

Resolution No. 36 -2010. 2010 Budget Transfers. A motion was made by Councilman Heath; seconded by Councilwoman Bartholomew. Approved.

Resolution No. 37 -2010. Modifications to 2010 Budget. A motion was made by Councilman Heitzenrater, seconded by Councilman Swan. Approved.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

No Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS:

September 16th at 6 PM a budget meeting with the Highway Department and the

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Fire Departments was set.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Councilwoman Bartholomew commented she has received complaints about the bricks on Route 60 in the town being overgrown with weeds. Supervisor Crossley commented he has as well and Mark Risley, Highway Superintendent, noted that he had called the state and left a message and has not heard back yet. Supervisor Crossley will contact a state employee to discuss the concern and let the Town Board what kind of response he receives.

VOUCHER APPROVAL:

Highway Fund Vouchers #96 - 110 totaling \$12,311.89 was approved on a motion by Councilman Swan; seconded by Councilman Heath. Approved.

General Fund Vouchers #214 - 248 totaling \$5,619.44 was approved on a motion by Councilman Heitzenrater; seconded by Councilwoman Bartholomew. Approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next Board meeting will be held 6:30 PM, September 9, 2010 at the town hall.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 7:34 PM on a motion by Councilman Heitzenrater, seconded by Councilman Heath.

Minutes taken by

Recia L. Myers,
Town Clerk