

Board Meeting

BOARD MEETING
JULY 14, 2011

The Gerry Town Board met at 7:00 PM, July 14, 2011, at the Gerry Town Hall for the regular monthly board meeting.

Present were: Robert B. Heitzenrater, Councilman / Deputy Supervisor
Gary J. Swan, Councilman
Richard C. Heath, Councilman
Linda D. Bartholomew, Councilwoman
Jodie L. Fehlman, Deputy Town Clerk
William Duncanson, Jr., Town Attorney

Absent was: John R. Crossley, Supervisor
Mark A. Risley, Highway Superintendent
Recia L. Myers, Town Clerk

CALL TO ORDER:

Councilman /Deputy Supervisor Heitzenrater called the meeting to order and led in the pledge of allegiance.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

COMMUNICATIONS:

1) A letter from the State of New York DOT was received on the lowering of the speed limit on Hodge Road to 40 mph.

OFFICERS REPORT:

Zoning Officer.

Zoning Officer, Dave Crossley, submitted the following report:
July 2011
12 permits issued for July
19 pending permits

Dog Control Officer.

Troy Kennelley, Dog Control Officer, stated that he had the annual meeting with the state last week and has been informed of mistakes on some of the paperwork and the corrections have been made to the paperwork. Troy Kennelley, Dog Control Officer, commented that he would like to know where he should take injured dogs. Councilman /Deputy Supervisor Heitzenrater asked about taking the injured dogs to the SPCA. Dog Control Officer, Troy Kennelley, stated that the SPCA does not have a vet on hand to deal with injured dogs. Councilman /Deputy Supervisor Heitzenrater stated that he would look into finding a place to take them and at least have a verbal agreement in place.

Troy Kennelley, Dog Control Officer, stated that he picked up one stray dog and has started the enumeration once again and has completed Herrick Road. Dog Control Officer, Troy Kennelley, stated that most people wait to go to the free clinics to get there dogs the rabies shots to help offset the vet bills for shots. Councilman /Deputy Supervisor Heitzenrater is looking into getting a free clinic set up in the Town of Gerry.

Highway Superintendent.

Highway Superintendent, Mark Risley, was absent and submitted the following report for July 2011.

As you can see we have spent some money this past month, but we have sealed 10 miles of roads and half of our patching is done with the Tar Bucket (The County has the Tar Bucket right now).

We blacktopped Hanson Rd. from Cobb Rd. to Harris Hill Rd. on June 30th and just finished the shoulders on it Tuesday. We replaced the big pipe up by Dave Conroe's on Ellwell Rd. and one on Old Chautauqua Rd.

The State approved a speed reduction on Hodge Rd. so I ordered two 40mph signs that should be in next week.

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I am camping in PA for a few days and will be back on Sunday and if needed I can be reached on my cell phone.

Assessor's report.

Kevin Okerlund, submitted the following report; The Final Roll was filed July 1 2011 and the appropriate legal notice was posted in the Post Journal.

The informational classes were held on the revaluation and went very well. We had 16 in attendance in Cherry Creek and 29 in Sinclairville, attached is a copy of the handout from the meeting and review of the class.

I am currently in the process of taking pictures of all improved properties, adding them to the system, and cleaning up inventory from the data mailers.

I will be on vacation from July 24th to August 1st.

COMMITTEES, BOARDS OR AGENCIES:

Parks & Recreation

Councilman Heath stated that the mill stone that was donated by the Douglas Family has been set in concrete at the park and the Town Historian, Peggy Heath, is looking into the history behind the millstone so a plaque can be made with the history on it so people will know where it came from and what it stands for.

Councilman Heath commented that they have a problem with one of the toilets and it has since been corrected.

Councilman Heath stated that the park has been busy with 3 Baseball tournaments for 11 and 12 year olds.

Town Picnic:

Councilwoman Bartholomew reported that there will be food, games, and face painting this year at the Town Picnic. Dave Miller, town resident will be on hand doing a picture which will later be auctioned off in a silent auction and the monies will be donated back to the Town of Gerry picnic fund. Councilwoman Bartholomew also commented they are still working on the music for the day of the picnic. Councilwoman Bartholomew commented if there were any one knowing of people who had tents and were willing to donate the use of the tents for the day of the picnic that would be very helpful. The Town Picnic is scheduled for August 13th from noon - 4 PM .

SPECIAL ORDERS:

Resolution No. 35 - 2011. Budget Transfer. A motion was made by Councilman Swan, seconded by Councilman Heath. Approved.

Minute approval for the June 2011 Board Meeting. A motion was made by Councilman Heath; seconded by Councilwoman Bartholomew. Approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

No Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS:

No New Business.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

VOUCHER APPROVAL:

Highway Fund Vouchers #97 - 111 totaling \$106,043.07 was approved on a motion by Councilwoman Bartholomew; seconded by Councilman Swan. Approved.

General Fund Vouchers #175 - 208 totaling \$12,383.87 was approved on a motion by Councilman Heath; seconded by Councilman Swan. Approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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The next Board meeting will be held 6:30 PM, August 11, 2011 at the town hall.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 7:18 PM on a motion by Councilman Heath , seconded by Councilwoman Bartholomew.

Minutes taken by

Jodie L. Fehlman,
Deputy Town Clerk