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BOARD MEETING
MARCH 8, 2012

The Gerry Town Board met at 6:30 PM, March 8, 2012, 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
Mark Risley, Highway Superintendent
William Duncanson, Jr., Town Attorney
Troy Kennelley, Dog Control Officer
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 thank you letter was received from the valley Historical Society thanking the town for their annual donation received.
- 2.) A letter from the Town of Ellery advising of zoning changes for the setbacks of patios/terraces was received.

OFFICERS REPORT:

Zoning Officer.

Zoning Officer, Dave Crossley, submitted the following report and noted that is has been quiet:

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2 Permits issued	1
10 Permits Pending	17

Dog Control Officer.

Troy Kennelley, Dog Control Officer, commented that he had training with the State a few weeks ago to go over Article 7 and wanted Town Clerk, Recia Myers, to check on the ordinance regarding property damage. The state suggested we add dogs to this ordinance. She will fax a copy to William Duncanson, Jr., Town Attorney.

Troy Kennelley, Dog Control Officer, noted that he picked up a few stray dogs on Hanson Road in the Town and he ended up getting bit during his process but was fine and reported everything to the Humane Society and the County Health Department.

Highway Superintendent.

Mark Risley, Highway Superintendent, reported that they have been using the County's sander and would like to own it as the county is willing to sell it to them. He looked around for sanders and they priced it for \$3,000.00 which he felt was a good deal. A new one runs approximately \$8,600.00. Mark Risley, Highway Superintendent, noted that he has been checking into pricing tar buckets as well, he feels the town should have its own as right now they share with the county and most of the time they receive it late when they need it he feels the town would save quite a bit of money a year if they purchase this.

After discussion Supervisor Crossley entertained a motion to allow Mark

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Risley, Highway Superintendent, to purchase a tar bucket at the best price available and not to exceed \$12,000. The motion was made by Councilman Swan, seconded by Councilman Heath. Approved.

Mark Risley, Highway Superintendent, noted that he will be advertising soon for fuel bids as well.

Assessor's report.

An outline of the latest meeting regarding the re-val process was submitted to board members and Supervisor Crossley reported that it actually went well said Town Assessor, Kevin Okerlund, with about 60 people attending this meeting. A discussion regarding assessments occurred.

COMMITTEES, BOARDS OR AGENCIES:

Park & Recreation. Councilman Heath reported that Town Clerk, Recia Myers, will be placing an ad in paper to advertise for the Part time mower position and the parks committee will set up interviews before the next board meeting to have the mower hired then. Councilman Heath will be pricing for baseball dirt and looking into placing a small fence at the park for softball.

Town Picnic Committee. Councilwoman Bartholomew commented that they will be meeting Monday night at the town hall to discuss the picnic and the town's website will be getting re designed April 1st. Supervisor Crossley commented that he checked on placing a hanging banner for the picnic along the street lights in the town with National Grid and they will not allow it, so instead they will hang a banner on the fence in the town park instead.

SPECIAL ORDERS:

Resolution No. 20 - 2012. Authorizing Municipal Cooperative Agreement for Highway Projects and Maintenance and Designation of Coordinators for Town of Gerry. A motion was made by Councilman Heitzenrater, seconded by Councilman Swan. Approved.

Resolution No. 21 - 2012. Amending Resolution No. 49-2011, workplace Violence Policy. A motion was made by Councilman Heath, seconded by Councilwoman Bartholomew. Approved.

Resolution No. 22 - 2012. GASB Statement No. 54. A motion was made by Councilman Swan, seconded by Councilman Heitzenrater. Approved.

Resolution No. 23 - 2012. American Disabilities Act. A motion was made by Councilman Swan, seconded by Councilwoman Bartholomew. Approved.

Resolution No. 24 - 2012. Authorizing Zoning Officer to Attend Western Southern Tier Building Educational Conference in Mayville, NY. A motion was made by Councilman Heath, seconded by Councilwoman Bartholomew. Approved.

Resolution No. 25 -2012. 2012 Budget Transfer. A motion was made by Councilman Heitzenrater, seconded by Councilman Swan. Discussion. Approved.

Minute approval for February Board Meeting/and Work Session Feb. 15th. A motion was made by Councilman Swan; seconded by Councilman Heitzenrater. Approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Insurance request. Beth Korcyl, Town Insurance agent, is going on her own and requested for the Town of Gerry to go with her and send a letter of transfer to Independent Health. The Town Board agreed to keep her as our agent and a letter will be sent out.

Labor Dept. After the visit in February the Town received the paperwork and the town received a few violations to be corrected by June. Employees must take

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training on the workplace violence program. The Town will correct this and have this in writing soon.

Army Reserve. Supervisor Crossley received another letter from the reserve center basically telling him they will not allow the town to rent out their premises. Supervisor Crossley is going to contact Mr. Higgins again.

NEW BUSINESS:

Town Clean Up Day. The Town is looking at the day of April 21st beginning at 9 am at the Village of Sinclairville for their 3rd annual clean-up day. Recia Myers, Town Clerk, will advertise for the Clean up day after she hears from the Town of Charlotte/Village of Sinclairville and will forward information on for the website as well.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Dave Hall, Gerry Resident, asked if there has been any more information regarding the Gerry Fire Dept. sign. Supervisor Crossley commented that it is still being discussed. Dave Hall also requested for an electric pole to be placed in front of the rodeo grounds and wondered if this was in our light district. Supervisor Crossley will check on it and contact Mr. Hall.

VOUCHER APPROVAL:

Highway Fund Vouchers #26 - 39 totaling \$10,297.42 was approved on a motion by Councilman Heath; seconded by Councilman Swan. Approved.

General Fund Vouchers #64 - 88 totaling \$ 5,345.75 was approved on a motion by Councilman Heitzenrater; seconded by Councilman Heath. Approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next Board meeting will be held 6:30 PM, April 12, 2012 at the town hall.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 7:46 PM on a motion by Councilman Swan, seconded by Councilman Heitzenrater.

Minutes taken by

Recia L. Myers,

Town Clerk