

BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 11, 2014

The Gerry Town Board met at 6:30 PM, September 11, 2014, at the Gerry Town Hall for the regular monthly board meeting.

Present were: John R. Crossley, Supervisor
 Gary J. Swan, Councilman
 Linda D. Bartholomew, Councilwoman
 Todd R. Anderson, Councilman
 Recia L. Myers, Town Clerk
 William Duncanson, Jr., Town Attorney
 Brian Anderson, Highway Superintendent

Absent was: Richard C. Heath, Councilman

CALL TO ORDER:

Supervisor Crossley called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. A letter was received from Chautauqua Works thanking the town for our participation in their program for Recreation.

OFFICERS REPORT:

ZONING OFFICER:

Dave Crossley, Zoning Officer, was absent due to schooling and a report was submitted:

September 2014
5 permits issued
14 pending permits

DOG CONTROL OFFICER:

No Report was received.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT:

Brian Anderson, Highway Superintendent, noted that everything is going good and they have been hauling millings and receiving some in exchange for helping the County on Route 60. They have also been helping Cherry Creek with crushing gravel and have been receiving a percentage of gravel for helping them as well. Fall mowing is going to begin and he has been in touch with a comptroller to discuss the money situation for purchasing a new truck and Supervisor Crossley is contacting Laura the accountant. Councilwoman Bartholomew thanked the highway for taking down the picnic sign at the Town Park.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT:

September

I will be attending the NYS Annual Assessors Conference from Sunday October 5th – Wednesday, October 8th. This will give me the required 12 hours of continuing education credits.

School tax bills have been mailed to all property owners. If a property owner has not received their bill they should contact the tax collector. If there is a problem with any exemptions or any other issues they should contact me. Attached is a copy of legislation making its way through PA government removing school funding from local property taxes. I thought you might find it interesting.

COMMITTEES, BOARDS & AGENCIES:

Town Park:

No Report.

Town Picnic:

Councilwoman Bartholomew reported the picnic was a huge success this year approximately 250 people came out and the two bands that played everyone enjoyed. She has many volunteers for next year and she recruited Recia Myers, Town Clerk as co-chairman. She thanked everyone for all there help and posted all people and local farmers who helped out on the Town's website.

SPECIAL ORDERS:

Resolution No. 36 -2014. Authorizing Town Clerk to Hold a Rabies Clinic. A motion was made by Councilman Swan, seconded by Councilwoman Bartholomew. Approved.

Resolution No. 37 -2014. Modifications to 2014 Budget. A motion was made by Councilwoman Bartholomew, seconded by Councilman Anderson. Approved.

Resolution No. 38 – 2014. Modifications to 2014 Budget. A motion was made by Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilman Swan. Approved.

Resolution No. 39-2014. Budget Transfer. A motion was made by Councilman Swan, seconded by Councilwoman Bartholomew. Approved.

Minute Approval for the August Board Meeting. A motion was made by Councilwoman Bartholomew, seconded by Councilman Anderson. Approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Local Law No. 2 of 2014, enacting Dog Control Law was introduced and a Public Hearing will be scheduled for October 9, 2014 at 6:45 PM at the Town Hall. Councilwoman Bartholomew commended Troy Kennelley, Dog Control Officer, for taking care of complaints within the town.

Town Hall. Larry Scalise is almost done with his presentation regarding the town hall and will attend one of the budget sessions.

NEW BUSINESS:

Supervisor Crossley commented that the Lake Effect trailbreakers snowmobile club is requesting the town to allow them to reposition a bridge that was washed out over mill creek and we need to declare that it is okay.

A motion was entertained by Councilman Swan declaring the town as lead agency and after careful consideration and all factors reviewed the Town gives a negative declaration of environmental impact and permission granted for the repositioning of said bridge, seconded by Councilwoman Bartholomew. Approved.

Peddler's license. Recia Myers, Town Clerk, requested for the Peddler's Licensed to be updated as it is currently super vague and there have been more applications for the licenses within the Town and she doesn't feel comfortable now just issuing a license. She reviewed the Village of Sinclairville's local law for Peddlers and like how detailed it was. She contacted the Town Attorney, William Duncanson, Jr., and he put together a Local Law for the Town to be reviewed. This law will be introduced at the next board meeting.

A Budget Work Session was set for September 25, 2014, beginning at 5:00 pm.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

VOUCHER APPROVAL:

Highway Fund Vouchers #138 -148 totaling \$8,159.61 was approved on a motion by Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilman Swan. Approved.

General Fund Voucher's #245 -276 totaling \$4,456.55 was approved on a motion by Councilman Swan, seconded by Councilwoman Bartholomew. Approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next board meeting will be held at 6:30 PM, October 9, 2014 at the town hall.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 7:19 PM on a motion by Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilwoman Bartholomew.

Minutes taken by

Recia L. Myers,
Town Clerk

