

Town of Mohawk
Regular Monthly Meeting
September 14, 2011 at 7:00 pm

The regular monthly meeting was held on September 14, 2011 at the Town Annex Bldg. 5 Park St. Fonda NY 12068.

Present: Supervisor Greg Rajkowski, Councilmen: Bette Papa, Bruce Pavlus and Nancy Collins. Also present, William Holvig, Supt. of Highways, Sole Assessor Stella Gittle and Kimberly M. Sullivan, Town Clerk. Councilman Hoffman and Town Attorney Kruger were absent.

The meeting was opened with a flag salute.

The normally scheduled town board meeting set for 9/8/11 was cancelled due to flooding and the county in a State of Emergency.

<p>Resolution #43 authorizing the Town Supervisor to bid for repairs to the town hall and garage due to flood damage was made by a motion from Pavlus and seconded by Collins. All present voting in favor, motion passed.</p>

3 bids were received, opened and given to Town Attorney Kruger for approval.

1. 4 Seasons submitted a bid for Proposal #1-Sheetrock/Insulation. \$9,200.
2. David Carpenter submitted a bid for Proposal #1-. \$8,960.
3. Ronald Hinkle submitted a bid for Proposal #2-Painting -\$3,900.

A motion to approve the minutes of the 08/11/2011 meeting was made by Pavlus and seconded by Papa. All present voting in favor, motion carried.

Public to Speak:

Kim Sullivan, Town Clerk wanted the board and the public to know what a great job the Town of Mohawk employees did with the flood disaster. They went above and beyond and needed to be recognized.

Correspondence was read and handouts/information will be available at the Town Clerks Office as follows:

1. Fulmont Community Action has a relief vehicle available at the Annex Bldg. on Park St. in Fonda. It contains supplies for flood victims as well as a soup kitchen and is open to all Montgomery County residents.

2. National Grid is helping flood victims without power. They have a list of available contractors who will inspect lines and give the OK to have power turned back on. The cost of these participating contractors will be covered by National Grid.

3. Dept. of Health is reminding people that wells should be tested for bacteria before drinking it. There are also handouts from FEMA that would answer other questions regarding damage with the flood.

4. Fonda-Fultonville Lions Club is assisting individuals affected by the recent disasters that have occurred in our communities. Please contact John Buccos at 853-3987 for more information.

Payments made prior to this meeting to avoid late payments: Total: \$2,806.71

General A: \$832.76

Highway: \$1,973.95

General B:

Street Lighting:

The Money Market Account as of 08/31/2011: **\$1,034,769.63**

Report from the Highway Superintendent as follows:

1. Equipment was saved due to the hard work of the highway employees. The men have gutted the building and are in the process of putting it back in order.
2. There was severe damage to Barker Ln. and it has been repaired.
3. Holvig suggested to the town board that they need to be looking for another location to avoid flooding.
4. Paving has been delayed but should be completed this year.

Stella Gittle Sole Assessor thanked the Town Clerk for the help in saving her office from the flooding. She also would like to look into scanning her records onto the computer. She has been receiving calls from residents regarding their tax bills and increases, which is normal after a Re-Valuation. She would like to look at the Vets Exemption and the sliding scale associated with it. Discussion was also held on paying Maxwell Appraisal Service their final payment.

A motion to pay Maxwell Appraisal Service their final 10% payment, having completed their contractual obligations was made by Collins and seconded by Papa. All present voting in favor, motion carried.

Michael Scott, Zoning Officer update was tabled until next month's meeting.

Tribes Hill Youth Commission report was tabled until next month's meeting.

Town of Mohawk Fall Clean-Up/Drop off will be held on Sat. 10/8/11 and Sat.10/15/11 at the former dumpster site and will be from the hours of 7–12pm.

Resolution #42 Amending the 2011 Operating Budget was made by a motion from Collins and seconded by Pavlus. All present voting in favor, motion passed.

Resolution #44 Town board grants approval for a Public Hearing to enact a Local Law allowing change in level exemptions to Veterans was made by a motion from Pavlus and seconded by Collins. All present voting in favor, motion passed.

Resolution #45 to audit and order paid the monthly bills as follows: (Total) \$147,347.44
General A: \$7,629.59 Highway: \$134,936.06
General B: \$3,658.92 Street Lights: \$1,122.87
A motion was made by Papa and seconded by Collins. All present voting in favor, motion carried.

In further business:

There were questions on what is happening with the Tribes Hill Youth Commission. They should be answered next month.

William Peeler, Town Justice wanted to thank the Village of Fonda Fire Dept. in helping with the removal of records during the flood

A motion to adjourn the regular monthly meeting was made by Papa and seconded by Pavlus. All present voting in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly M. Sullivan
Town Clerk