

PRESENT WERE: Supervisor Eaton Councilman Higgins  
Councilman Potter Councilman Hitchcock  
Attorney W. Tuttle Comptroller, C. Hemphill  
Town Clerk M. Peck

ALSO PRESENT: M. Lombardo, R. Pearl-Lamphier, J. Elling, R. Gleason, G. Ayers,  
H. Larson, L. Lombardo, E. Peck.

ABSENT: Hwy. Superintendent J. Moshier, Councilman J. Wolf

Salute to the Flag at 7PM opened the meeting.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Town Clerk	Building & Zoning
Highway Dept.	Recreation & Parks

Town Justice D. Porter - report for September 2007- amount of check \$7990.00  
Town Justice A. Spears - report for September 2007 - amount of check \$9011.50

AUDITED CLAIMS

Gen A	\$44,770.51	Hwy DA	\$7,616.67
Gen B	726.03	Hwy DB	\$58,685.66
Sp Dist	\$47,573.01		

#1-MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES

Motion by Potter to approve the minutes from the September 18, 2007 Regular Town Board Meeting as written. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hitchcock. Higgins-aye, Potter-aye, Hitchcock-aye, Eaton-aye. CARRIED.

#2-MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES

Motion by Potter to approve the minutes from the September 25, 2007 Special Town Board Meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Higgins. Discussion: the public hearing notice for the Abandonment of a portion of Castle Drive did not get published in the newspaper, so this will need to be corrected. The minutes will stay the same, but another notice and public hearing will be scheduled later in this meeting. Higgins-aye, Potter-aye, Hitchcock-aye, Eaton-aye. CARRIED.

#3-MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES

Motion by Potter to approve the minutes from the October 1, 2007 Public Hearing on the COR re-zone request as written. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Higgins. Higgins-aye, Potter-aye, Hitchcock-aye, Eaton-aye. CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Catt. Co. Dept. of Economic Dev., Planning & Tourism - funding for farmland protection. **Discussion: not much known about this issue. Councilman Potter**

**advised that he will see if he can go to this meeting to find out more about it and report back to the board.**

2. NYS Dept. of Ag & Markets - notice of grant money available for development of agricultural & farmland protection programs.
3. NYMIR - Handbook for Risk Management
4. U. S. S. - C. Schummer - 2008 Museums for America Grant Program
5. Foit - Albert Assoc. invoice
6. NYMIR - Workplace Violence Prevention Compliance & Control
7. U. S. S. - C. Schummer - notice of funding for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Librarian Program
8. Proposed Water & Sewer Rate increases (6%)

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### #4-MOTION TO ACCEPT SR. EXEMPTION SLIDING SCALE

Motion by Eaton to accept the proposal by the Town Assessor regarding the sliding scale calculations for the Senior Citizens Exemption Income Limit as follows:

Maximum Income Limit: \$18,500 or less	50%
\$18,501 to \$19,499	45%
\$19,500 to \$20,499	40%
\$20,500 to \$21,399	35%
\$21,400 to \$22,299	30%
\$22,300 to \$23,199	25% 2 <sup>nd</sup> by Higgins.

Higgins-aye, Potter-aye, Hitchcock-aye, Eaton-aye. CARRIED.

1. Approval of purchase of fire escape stairs at Town Hall \*\*\* **This is tabled so that more information can be obtained from Councilman Wolf \*\*\* (10/23/07 mtg.)**
2. Approval of contract for HVAC maintenance

##### #5-MOTION TO APPROVE HVAC MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

Motion by Potter to approve the contract with Mazza, HVAC for the maintenance contract for the Town Hall systems. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Higgins. Higgins-aye, Potter-aye, Hitchcock-aye, Eaton-aye. CARRIED.

##### #6-MOTION TO SET PUBLIC HEARING ON 2008 TOWN BUDGET

Motion by Eaton to set a Public Hearing on the 2008 Town budget for Tuesday, October 30, 2007 at 7PM at the Town Hall. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Potter. Higgins-aye, Potter-aye, Hitchcock-aye, Eaton-aye. CARRIED.

##### #7-MOTION TO SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR NEW WATER/SEWER RATES

Motion by Eaton to set a Public Hearing on Tuesday, November 13, 2007 at 7PM at the Town Hall on the new water and sewer rates for 2008. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hitchcock. Higgins-aye, Potter-aye, Hitchcock-aye, Eaton-aye. CARRIED.

#8-MOTION TO SET PUBLIC HEARING ON CASTLE DRIVE ABANDONMENT

Motion by Eaton to set a Public Hearing on the Castle Drive abandonment on November 13, 2007 at the Town Hall at 7:30pm or immediately after the public hearing on the water/sewer rate increase for 2008. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Higgins. Higgins-aye, Potter-aye, Hitchcock-aye, Eaton-aye. CARRIED.

#9-MOTION TO HIRE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE

Motion by Potter to hire Jeff Louser effective 10/22/07 at \$16.22/hr as new highway department employee. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Eaton. Higgins-aye, Potter-aye, Hitchcock-aye, Eaton-aye. CARRIED.

#10-MOTION TO HIRE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE

Motion by Potter to hire Greg Straub effective 10/22/07 at \$16.22/hr as new highway department employee. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Eaton. Higgins-aye, Potter-aye, Hitchcock-aye, Eaton-aye. CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. ASCAP licensing agreement \*\*\* per Attorney Tuttle, she has reviewed this contract and suggests a letter be written to this company advising that we are not interested in entering into this agreement. Attorney Tuttle is to check into the list of members already into this agreement with this company and report back to the board.
2. Supervisor Eaton - the roof at the highway garage has asbestos in it. Therefore, there is more to repair it than anticipated. The roof will be patched so as to survive another winter.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Councilman Hitchcock**- He has met with Mark Lombardo, Shane Grandusky and the Village Board regarding the bike park at the River Park. The Village questions liability, insurance, etc. Councilman Hitchcock believes the village to be somewhat interested in this project. Councilman Hitchcock also gave a brief summary of the most recent merger committee meeting: there is possibly one more committee meeting and then the information may be presented to the public for their views. Also, the BOCES landscaping class may be available to do landscaping for the "new bike park" in the spring of 2008.

**Supervisor Eaton** - a meeting was held today (10/16/07) with Attorney M. Shane, Phil Winger, Attorney Tuttle, R. Gleason and Supervisor Eaton regarding a walking trail being put around the St. Bonaventure University. Bona's is applying for a grant. Town of Allegany to be the sponsor of the grant due to federal law; this has been a 2 year process and will probably be another 2 years before it's completion. Attorney Shane to oversee and guide, and the Town to award contracts for development.

Councilman Higgins suggested that the permanent part time employees receive a \$.35 per hour raise. Councilman Potter agreed, as did Councilman Hitchcock. Therefore, this was adjusted in the tentative 2008 budget.

From the floor: Nothing from the floor.

#11-MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion by Higgins to adjourn meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hitchcock. Higgins-aye, Potter-aye, Hitchcock-aye, Eaton-aye. CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Mary M. Peck  
Town Clerk  
10/17/07