

March 9, 2010
Town Board Meeting

The regular town board meeting was held on Tuesday, March 8, 2010 at 6:00 P.M. in the Maine Town Hall, 12 Lewis Street, Town of Maine, Broome County State of New York.

PRESENT:

Supervisor: George Ludington
Councilman: Ernest Palmer
Councilman: Roger Congdon
Councilman: Todd Rose
Councilman: Robert Bullock

Bookkeeper: Nancy Treat
Deputy Town Clerk I: Peggy Bowles
Deputy Town Clerk II: Joyce Grover
Code Enforcer: Dan Napierala
DCO: John Williams

Also present were Leland Gayne and Gerard Lenzo

Supervisor Ludington called the meeting to order at 6: 00 P.M.
All joined in the pledge to the flag.

Supervisor Ludington read the public hearing notice that was in the paper.

OPEN FLOOR at 6:01 P.M.

Sue from Main Street was glad that the no parking on McGregor Ave. was going into effect. She stated they are still parking there. She was told if they park there after the no parking signs are up, they will be ticketed. She stated that if she sees them parking there she will call the Sheriff to have it enforced.

CLOSED FLOOR at 6:07

Councilman Rose moved to adopt the resolution adopting the Local Law No. 1 for 2010 for “No Parking on the South Side of McGregor Ave”. Councilman Bullock seconded. Roll call vote: Palmer: aye, Congdon: aye, Ludington: aye, Rose: aye, Bullock: aye. Motion carried.

MES report was given by Nicole. She stated they had 39 calls, they had made 33 of the calls making it an 84% response. Both of their trucks are out of service. She has made arrangements with Candor to use one of their trucks.

Lorri gave the recreation report. She told about the Irish Stew Dinner they will have on March 17th at the pre school. The Easter Egg hut will be March 27th at 2:00 P.M. at the town park.

Councilman Bullock moved to adopt the resolution for clean-up days for May 1& 2. Councilman Palmer seconded. Roll call vote: Palmer: aye, Congdon: aye, Ludington: aye, Rose: aye, Bullock: aye. Motion carried.

Councilman Congdon made the motion to approve the town board minutes for the February 9, 2010. Councilman Palmer seconded. Vote. All ayes, Motion carried.

Councilman Bullock made the motion to approve the audited bills. Councilman Congdon seconded. Roll call vote: Palmer: aye, Congdon: aye, Ludington: aye, Rose: aye, Bullock: aye. Motion carried.

Councilman Congdon made the motion to approve the consent calendar. Councilman Palmer seconded. Roll call vote: Palmer: aye, Congdon: aye, Ludington: aye, Rose: aye, Bullock: aye. Motion carried.

- a. Town Clerk's Report
- b. Supervisor's Report
- c. Approval of Planning Board Minutes
- d. Approval of Zoning Board Minutes

Councilman Palmer made the motion to renew the liquor license for Our Place Restaurant. Councilman Congdon seconded. Roll call vote: Palmer: aye, Congdon: aye, Ludington: aye, Rose: aye, Bullock: aye. Motion carried.

Councilman Congdon made the motion to approve the transfer. Councilman Palmer seconded. Roll call vote: Palmer: aye, Congdon: aye, Ludington: aye, Rose: aye, Bullock: aye. Motion carried.

Highway:

Transfer \$2,463.05 from DA5110.44 from repairs stone & gravel to DA5142.47 snow removal parts.

OPEN FLOOR

No one wished to speak

CLOSED FLOOR

Dan stated that it has been pretty quiet. February is the first month where he has issued no permits. He attended the Planning Board meeting. The bakery was approved but the man with the firewood business was held over. There is a new law that every house has to have a CO2 detector in their home with one being on every floor. The question was asked if they had electric stove, water heater and an outside stove do they still need one. Dan answered, no.

Lee: nothing

Nancy Treat stated that the financial report is done and has been sent to the comptroller. There are some problems in the justice department. She is going to wait a couple of weeks and see if things get straightened out. She had a reply back from the Federal Tax Department in regards to penalties added to tax deposit of first quarter in 2009. They are returning the penalties charges that they originally assessed. Amount of refund is \$913.93.

The case with the unemployment problem, everything she sent to them was correct, but she doesn't know if they will send us back our money or not.

Peggy: no report

Chuck is glad winter is over. He will be going to Albany for Amber Day with the highway superintendents. They will be trying to keep the CHIPS money. He has been ordering new signs to replace the old ones for the new signs regulations.

Ernie stated he attended the recreation meeting and went to the Association of Towns meeting at the SPOT Restaurant last Thursday night.

Roger stated that East Maine Fire Co. had 13 calls last month. There will be no air show this year. He asked if Broome County told anyone what they are going to do at the landfill? He stated that they have changed everything around. They feel they are going to save money by doing this.

Bob stated that he will have to reschedule the software demo they had planned. There will be a workshop with the Planning Board and the Zoning Board on the 23rd at 7:00 P.M. here in the town hall.

Todd stated that the NYSERTA that he and Ernie worked so hard on have received a check back for \$100.00. He was told that the paperwork was supposed to be turned in with in 90 days. He discussed with the man that no where was it written and that they had not been told about this and he feels we should be getting the rest of the money back as promised. George told Todd and Ernie that he appreciates all they have done for the town.

Nancy stated that she has sent out the seconded notices for the taxes unpaid. She sent out two fruit baskets since last month. One went to Randy Hoskins on the highway department and the other to Attorney Insinga. Attorney Insinga wanted to let everyone know how nice it was and it was gratefully appreciated. She told about a call she had from a resident who thinks she is the assessor and had a problem with paying his taxes. He had lots of demands about paying his taxes and this tax assessment. She turned the call over to Doug, our assessor. She also has been working with a couple looking for genealogy. These people had gone to Broome County and the Town of Union. They did not get an answer from either of these places, so they came here because there is supposed to be a copy here. According to the historian book, it says that the historian does not do genealogy. There are two other town clerk's who are also historians. She has talked to them and neither one of them does it and that is probably why she did not get an answer from them. Everyone thinks that the town historian is to do genealogy, but in fact he/she should not be doing it.

George stated that he would like a plaque done for Nate Dingman for becoming an Eagle Scout.

Councilman Congdon made the motion to go into executive session at 6:57 P.M. for reasons of medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to said dismissal, removal, promotion, appointment, employment, discipline, demotion or suspension.

Councilman Palmer seconded. Vote: all ayes. Motion carried.

Councilman Bullock made the motion to come out of executive session at 8:12 P.M.

Councilman Congdon seconded.

No action was taken while in executive session.

Councilman Congdon made the motion adjourn at 8:13 P.M. Councilman Bullock seconded. Vote: all ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Date approved: _____

Nancy Rutkowski, RMC, CMC