

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING  
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FEBRUARY 8,2011

PRESENT            SUPERVISOR ANDREW BOYAR  
                         COUNCILMAN FRED BOSCH  
                         COUNILWOMAN AMANDA SCULLY  
                         COUNCILMAN SCOTT HALLOCK  
                         COUNCILMAN JAMES GUTEKUNST

ALSO PRESENT    TOWN CLERK DOREEN HANSON

Supervisor calls meeting to order  
Roll call, all Board Members present  
Flag Salute

MOTION BY Councilman Hallock to approve the Town Clerks January minutes.  
Seconded by Councilwoman Scully discussion motion carried all ayes.  
MOTION BY Councilman Hallock to approve the December Financial Report seconded  
by Councilman Gutekunst discussion motion carried all ayes.

CORRESPONDENCE

Received and read monthly report from Highland Lake Fire Dept.  
Received and read monthly report from Yulan Fire Dept.  
Received and read monthly report from Linda Anderson Health Officer  
Received and read monthly report from Fawn Schneider Dog Control Officer.  
Received and read Constables monthly report for January.2011  
Received and American Legion monthly report for January 2011  
Received and read letter of resignation from Michael McCooey  
Received and read letter from Andrew Valenti request the name of his private driveway  
be named Valenti Lane for 911 use.

HIGHWAY

Norman Sutherland Highway Superintendent states we are plowing and sanding and  
trying to keep things together, we had an incident in Barryville where the sander fell off  
the truck it was 19 years old, we were lucky enough to get a sander from the County to  
get us through the rest of the winter.

Supervisor Boyar states the public is really appreciative of the job that has been done by  
you and your men and would you convey that appreciation to them.

SUPERVISORS

Supervisor Boyar states last Thursday there was an Upper Delaware Council Meeting  
and with very short notice the projects committee determined they would have a  
complete review and decision a recommendation to the full Board this Thursday of the  
regulations for gas drilling that were proposed by the Delaware River Basin Commission  
I have read the River Management Plan and the Delaware River Basin Draft Regulations  
Plan. The meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> is a critical meeting because the UDC has two vastly  
different opinions on the subject of gas drilling. The Council seems to be divided, some  
are for some are against.

There is group in the middle still making up there minds. The meeting on Thursday will be to try to convince those in the middle to take a side one way or another. I will be asking the Town to support a letter of concern and that I be authorized to make these points on behalf of the Town at the hearing. I find a great deal of weakness in the report it is not at all protective of the environment primarily.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

#### COMMUNITY AND PLANINNG AND SENIORS

Supervisor Boyar states I have reached out to the Seniors but I am not getting much back in feed back. One of the things we want to do is upgrade the physical plan there and our handyman has started to paint and he is making improvements.

#### BUILDINGS AND CODES

Councilman Bosch states we are working on the revision to the Town Code Highland Lake Fire Department has some proposed revisions to the Code on Fire Alarms.

Mandy and I have attended the second Thursday Meeting in Tusten the engineer and the Attorney and we went over the manuals. I did read through it and we have to submit our comment to the MMTF.

Supervisor Boyar state the Board did consider the subject of the rules and regulations of the MMTF and we have decided to ask you since you did such a thorough job of reviewing this if you will take the lead in presenting Highland's comments and bring them to the MMTF and share with them all the critiques and comments you developed.

#### EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Councilman Hallock states he has the resolution for street lights and for the Ambulance Building.

#### INSURANCE

Supervisor Boyar states the current insurance carrier indicated that he based the replacement insurance coverage on the square footage that our previous carrier used so I am asking the Board to join with me and requesting the data collectors to get the outside measurements of all our building to make sure we are not underinsured.

#### UDC

Supervisor Boyar states they have regularly monthly meetings and they have committee meeting and one of the committee is project review and Debbie Conway was there and was able to detect that things are moving a little bit too fast in the scheduling of the review of the Delaware River Basin Commission Regulations.

She put up the red flag and everything is coming to a critical mass which will take place this Thursday. There is going to be a contentious battle within the Council itself, the pro gas drilling and the pro environment will be vying of the attention of those who have not made up there minds. One of the things the project committee was doing they asked the people who drew the regulations to come and do an analysis of it. You want a second opinion of someone expert in geology and environmental issues and all the possible hazards to speak –up about those concerns.

#### PERSONELL

Councilman Gutekunst states Ann Durland the Clerk to the Code Enforcer asks her hours be cut back.

#### ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT

Carol Roig state we have had two meetings one with the Committee in Lumberland and there is a lot of potential for us to work together, we are having a forum on February 19, 2011 and the public is invited.

## WAYFINDING

Councilwoman Scully state we have selected the sign producer the material , sign size has yet to be determined , we are looking into who is going to produce the UDSB signs for the signs along the River we delegated the overall cost of the project to Jim to see how much to charge and how much it will cost . I have to find requirements for selection process where we would ask for applications to be on the sign and in case we had a major influx that we had a selection process as not to clutter up each pole and make it unsightly. We need to have a fair process.

## INSURANCE

Supervisor Boyar state we saved about 25% with the new insurance company according to recent billing.

## OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Boyar states the Norm said the new piece of equipment will be in at the end of the month so we will get the bond lined up .

## NEW BUSINESS

Supervisor Boyar states we need to do a local law for the Cold War Exemptions we have been operating with a resolution but technically we should have a local law. We have a sample local it was sent to the Attorney for his review and we will schedule a public hearing and adopt it in April.

MOTION BY Councilman Bosch to approve the Highway Form #284 seconded by Councilman Hallock discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Hallock to approve the reduction of the Code Enforcement Clerk for up to five hours a week at \$12.50 per hour seconded by Councilman Gutekunst discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilwoman Scully to sponsor the Natural Gas Forum with the Town of Lumberland at Eldred Central School and the afternoon session at the Senior Center and asking for town to cover costs of the School and the Lunch not to exceed \$250.00 seconded by Councilman Hallock discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Hallock to approve the submission as per last years of the NPS Law Enforcement and Trash Removal programs seconded by Councilman Gutekunst discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Hallock to approve the advertisement of a Code Enforcement and back up bookkeeper at a rate of \$11.00 per hour to start seconded by Councilman Bosch discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Hallock to approve the advertisement for a member to the BOAR seconded by Councilwoman Scully discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Bosch to send letter to Delaware River Basin Commission in support of Enhanced White Paper FFMP seconded by Councilman Hallock discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Hallock to approve the Tax Certiorari case in reference to SBL 29.-1-21 seconded by Councilman Gutekunst discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Bosch to approve the appearance of Paul Ruben as expert on behalf of the Town of Highland to assist with the evolution for the DRBC's Draft Gas Regulations and to authorize payment of this services not to exceed \$350.00 and for the

MOTION BY Councilman Hallock to approve the name of a Public Road owned by and requested by Andrew Valent to be named Valenti Lane for 911 uses only seconded by Councilwoman Scully discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Hallock to authorize the Supervisors letter to the DRBC in

reference to the Gas Drilling seconded by Councilman Bosch discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Gutekunst to approve audited Street Lights Abstract #02-11 seconded by Councilwoman Scully discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Gutekunst to approve the audited General Abstract #02-11 seconded by Councilman Bosch discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Gutekunst to approve the audited abstract Highway Abstract #01-11 seconded by Councilman Hallock discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilwoman Scully to adjourn seconded by Councilman Hallock discussion motion carried all ayes.

Respectively submitted

Doreen Hanson Town Clerk