

**WHITE CREEK TOWN BOARD MINUTES
APRIL 08, 2014**

The White Creek Town Board held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 08, 2014 at the White Creek Town Hall. Supervisor Robert Shay called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Roll Call:

Members present: Supervisor Robert Shay, Town Council Members Erin Sheridan, Barbra Kingsley, Joe Bates and James Perry were all present.

Also present was Highway Superintendent Chris Rieben.

A motion to approve the minutes of the March 11th regular monthly meeting was made by Barbra Kingsley. Motion was seconded by James Perry and all others voted in favor of approval. Joes Bates made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 28th Special Meeting. Motion was seconded by Barbra Kingsley and all others voted in favor of approval.

Old Business

Supervisor Shay reported that the building of the town website in underway. Sara Kelly will attend the May meeting to report on her progress.

New Business

Appointment of members to the Agricultural Advisory Committee

The Board voted to appoint the following residents to the committee: Shawn Murphy, Jane Walker, Howard (Jay) Andrew, Jr. and Guy (Skip) Clark, Jr. Also appointed were Planning Board Member Richard Moses and Town Board Member James Perry. Erin Sheridan made the motion to approve the appointments. Motion seconded by Joe Bates and all others voted in favor of the appointments.

Planning Board

Chairman Neil Gifford was unable to attend the meeting. Supervisor Shay reported that the Planning and Town Boards held a joint meeting on April 2nd to continue discussion regarding the revisions to the Regulations and Site Plan. Attorney David Brennan gave a presentation to the Board regarding the proposed Cell Tower off State Route 67 (Spiezio/Garripa Property).

Town Assessor Report

Assessor Ronna Meerwarth submitted a monthly report to the Board. Ronna and her Clerk Carol Paul are attending the Assessor's Conference this week in the Adirondacks

Town Clerk's Report

Lisa Austin-Cuddihy reported that the Town and County Tax Roll have been returned to the County Treasurer. Unpaid taxes returned totaled \$402,709.75; the amount collected was \$2,064,272.60. Lisa asked the Board to consider increasing the cost of a Marriage License to boost revenues. Lisa will check with other municipalities to see what they charge and get back to the Board in May.

Highway Superintendent's Report

Highway Superintendent Chris Rieben reported that the road were plowed and sanded 6 times since the March Meeting. A total of 4600 yards of sand has been used thus far. The department has bought 393.7 tons of salt. Trucks and machines have been serviced. An oil pan was replaced in the 2001 Dump Truck. A new ignition switch was placed in the 1995 along with a relay switch. Upon the Superintendent's request the Board approved that the Highway Department begin the four day week (10 hour days) beginning April 21, 2014. Councilman James Perry voted against the proposal, all others voted in favor. The Board also approved Chris attending the annual Highway School in Ithaca, New York in June.

Supervisor Shay reported that Attorney Alan Wrigley is working on a BAN for the funding for the Highway Garage repairs. Mr. Cottrell will begin work on the project Monday, April 14, 2014.

Miscellaneous

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Roadside Cleanup

It was announced that the Town will hold a roadside cleanup day on Saturday, May 03, 2014. Trash bags will be available for pickup at the Town Office and Highway Garage.

Town Residents Comments

Margaret LeStage of Turnpike Road described a dangerous dog situation on Route 67 and Old State Road. Mrs. LeStage is concerned for her grandchildren that have to pass these dogs by in order to get on and off the school bus. Supervisor Shay arranged for Mrs. LeStage to get in touch with Dog Enforcement Officer Edward Holland. Supervisor Shay requested a report back for Mrs. LeStage.

Audit and Pay Bills

Highway Account: \$22,950.66

General Account: \$ 8,097.67

Total vouchers: \$31,048.33

Meeting adjourned 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Lisa Austin-Cuddihy
White Creek Town Clerk