

TOWN OF CHATHAM
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
July 15, 2010

The Regular Meeting of the Town of Chatham, Town Board was held on Thursday, July 15, 2010 at 7:00 PM at the town hall. Present were: Supervisor Jesse DeGroot, Councilman – Henry Swartz, Jr., Councilman - Maria Lull, Town Clerk - Beth Anne Rippel , Comptroller – Earl Kelsey and Town Attorney - Tal Rappleyea and others.
Absent: Councilman Rohde

Supervisor DeGroot opened the meeting and the pledge was led by Councilman Swartz.

CORRESPONDENCE

None....

PUBLIC COMMENT

- ◆ Melissa Pollack questioned the way in which the *Implementation Committee* was appointed.
- ◆ Councilman Swartz said he and Councilman Rohde had discussed the *Implementation Committee* appointees and feel it was a diverse group of citizens and that the *Committee* will stand as appointed. Anyone interested in being a part of the *Implementation Committee* can submit a letter of intent to the Board and it will be kept on file in the event a vacancy should arise.
- ◆ Bob Balcom asked the Board to review current code in relation to signage. He would like to see clear guidelines on their use.

REPORTS

- A. Highway report on file.
- B. Code Enforcement/Zoning Enforcement on file.

RES. #94-10 to move forward with legal action in regards to an unsafe structure on a property owned by Frederick Lott located at 2173 County Route 9, Chatham, NY. Supervisor DeGroot offered RES. #94-10 and moved its adoption to proceed with legal action in regards to an unsafe structure on a property owned by Frederick Lott located at 2173 County Route 9, Chatham, NY. Councilman Swartz seconded the motion.

VOTE: Ayes; DeGroot, Lull, Swartz
Nays; None, Resolution adopted

C. EMC – Deidre Henderson shared with the Board examples of Ground Water Resource plans from several towns throughout the county. Ms. Henderson encourages the Board to act soon if they plan on working with the NY Rural Water Association on developing a plan for the Town. She would also like to ask the Board again to form a Conservation Advisory Council which could oversee the development of a Ground Water Resource Plan.

D. Supervisor (county business) The County is in discussions regarding 911 dispatching procedures. Supervisor DeGroot will distribute information to the Board.

E. Recreation Department report on file.

F. Comptroller report on file

NEW BUSINESS

A. East Chatham Fire Company submitted rudimentary drawings of the proposed addition to their firehouse. The fire company hopes to begin construction sometime in the spring of 2011. Town Attorney Tal Rappleyea suggested a land use zoning exemption as was done for the Tri-Village Fire Company. More discussion to follow.

OLD BUSINESS

A. National Incident Management System (NIMS) compliance will be addressed at the August 19, 2010 Town Board meeting.

B. Computer Service – An ad has been placed in the Register Star, Chatham Courier and also on the Town website seeking proposals for Computer Services.

RESOLUTIONS

RES. #95-10 to approve the minutes from the June 17, 2010 Special and Regular town board meetings and the Special June 18, 2010 town board meeting. Councilman Swartz offered RES. #95-10 and moved its adoption to approve the minutes from the June 17, 2010 Special and Regular town board meetings and the Special June 18, 2010 town board meeting. Councilman Lull seconded the motion.

VOTE: Ayes; DeGroot, Lull, Swartz
Nays; None, Resolution adopted

RES #96-10 to Authorize the Town Supervisor to renew the Highway-Outside the Village BAN for \$177,000 at 2.68% interest for one year. Councilman Swartz offered RES #96-10 and moved its adoption. WHEREAS, the Highway-Outside the Village "DB" BAN (2008 International Truck) for \$59,000.00 plus interest of \$5,5576.40 is due July 21, 2010, and WHEREAS, the Highway-Outside the Village "DB" Fund budget calls for a principal payment of \$59,000.00 plus interest and WHEREAS, there is remaining balance of \$177,000.00 due on this BAN THEREFORE be it RESOLVED that the Town Board authorizes the Town Supervisor to renew the Highway-Outside the Village BAN for \$177,000.00 at 2.68% interest for one year. Councilman Lull seconded the motion.

VOTE: Ayes; DeGroot, Lull, Swartz
Nays; None, Resolution adopted

RES #97-10 to authorize the Highway Superintendent to purchase 1 (one) used 1997 Ford FSD Utility Truck from Robert T. Bombard for the sum of \$9,500.00. Councilman Swartz offered RES. #97010 and moved its adoption to authorize the Highway Superintendent to purchase 1 (one) used 1997 Ford FSD Utility Truck from Robert T. Bombard for the sum of \$9,500.00 providing it does not require going out for bid. Councilman Lull seconded the motion.

VOTE: Ayes; DeGroot, Lull, Swartz
Nays; None, Resolution adopted

PUBLIC COMMENT

- ◆ Deidre Henderson said the citizens of Chatham had asked the Board to reconsider the Implementation Committee. Ms. Henderson feels it is disrespectful to the citizens of the community to not reconsider the initial decision and is again asking the Board to reconsider.

Motion was made by Supervisor DeGroot, seconded by Councilman Swartz to enter into executive session at 7:28 PM to discuss contract negotiations. A Special Meeting will be held on August 9, 2010 at 6PM, in executive session, to discuss contract negotiations. Motion was made by Supervisor DeGroot, seconded by Councilman Swartz and carried to come out of executive session at 7:40 PM.

Motion was made by Supervisor DeGroot, seconded by Councilman Swartz and carried to adjourn at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Beth Anne Rippel
Town Clerk