

Newstead Town Board Meeting- July 9, 2012

A regular meeting was called to order by the Newstead Town Board on Monday, July 9, 2012 at 8:00pm at the Newstead Town Hall.

Present: David Cummings- Supervisor
Justin Rooney- Councilman
James Mayrose- Councilman
Richard Baran- Councilman
Donald York- Councilman
Scott Rybarczyk- Town Engineer
Nathan Neill- Town Attorney
Michael Bassanello- Highway Supt.
Dawn Izydorzak- Town Clerk
Jennifer Heberling- Deputy Clerk

Roll Call was taken with all board members present.

Councilman Mayrose led the pledge to the flag.

Minutes from the previous regular meeting held on June 25, 2012 were presented for approval. A motion was made by Councilman Mayrose, seconded by Councilman Baran to approve as presented.
Carried Unanimously

Communications – The Town Clerk presented the following correspondence:

A letter from Time Warner Cable regarding the current programmers & broadcasters they are currently under negotiations with for service.

A letter to the Town Board from Justice Dennis Freeman requesting a meeting to discuss the coming transitional phases of the Village Courts dissolution into the Town Court.

The Quarterly Report was received from Allied Waste for April 1, 2012 thru June 30, 2012 reporting 1,858 residential units collected for, with 467.73 tons of solid waste and 76.23 tons of co-mingled recyclables collected.

The 2010 - 2011 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report was received from the Erie County Water Authority.

The June 2012 Operations Report was received from Amherst Central Alarm Office, reporting 47 calls for Akron Fire Co and 26 calls for Newstead Fire Co.

A motion was made by Councilman Mayrose, seconded by Councilman Rooney to accept and file the presented correspondence.
Carried Unanimously

Work Session: The Supervisor reported that at the work session held last week the following items were discussed: Water district issues, building project updates, planning issues, grants, refuse contracts, policy discussion as well as any other issues brought before the board.

Privilege of the Floor – Doni Roehling of 5993 Cummings Rd asked for an update on the water pressure problems. Supervisor Cummings stated that he and Councilman Mayrose met today with representatives from Wendel, the Erie County Water Authority and the Erie County Department of Health. At the end of the meeting all present had agreed that the PRV solution presented will work to fix the problems in the Cummings Rd area but not the overall problems in the town. The Health Dept will not approve the permit until Wendel addresses a few more of their questions, which should be done by tomorrow. Once permit is issued the whole process will probably take 2-4 weeks to implement. The excessive drought is now causing effects on the rest of the town as well. Mr. Roehling questioned if we are in a drought and state last Sunday his toilets would not even flush. The Supervisor stated yes but so far the County has not imposed any restrictions on water usage yet and reminded him to continue to call the Health Department to complain as they are the ones holding up this whole project.

Engineer Scott Rybarczyk of Wendel state that the town feels that limiting temporary users of the system will hopefully help in the short term until we can get this resolved.
 Councilman Baran stated the Board understands what Mr. Roehling and others are going thru and are doing everything they possibly can to resolve it as soon as possible.

Budget Transfers: none

Approval of Bills – Councilman Mayrose reported that the Abstract from Batch(es) # 1190 & 1192 from the June 25, 2012 meeting has been reviewed with the previously un-audited vouchers and everything was found in order. He presented Abstract Batch(es) #1194 & 1196 for payment. Vouchers on this abstract numbered from 732 – 735 & 736-795 totaling \$173,949.83 and were presented by Councilman Mayrose, seconded by Councilman York to approve payment as follows:

Abstract Batch(es) #1194 & 1196:
 General Fund (A) -\$28,143.63, General Fund- Outside Village (B) \$50.00, Highway (DA) -\$0, Highway: Outside Village (DB) \$24,551.09, Capital Projects: CAP- Highway Garage- (HG) - \$45,550.00, CAP-Murder Creek (HM) \$0, CAP- Equipment Purchase (HR02)- \$0, CAP- Scotland Rd (HS)- \$0, CAP- Town Hall (HT)- \$0, CAP- Water Improvement (HW)- \$92.68, Drainage (SD)- \$0, Fire Protection (SF) \$27,730.88, Refuse (SR) \$31,087.60, Sewer Fund (SS) \$0, Sewer District #2 (SS02)- \$5.55, Trust & Agency(TA)- \$0 and Water Districts: Consolidated (SW00) \$16,738.40, (SW1) \$0, (SW2) \$0, (SW3) \$0, (SW4) \$0, (SW5) \$0, (SW6) \$0, (SW7) \$9,575.81, (SW7A) \$0, (SW8) \$0, (SW9) \$0, (SW10) \$2,112.00
 Total: \$173,949.83 Carried Unanimously

COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Highway – nothing to report

Assessor – a report was presented by the Assessor regarding the reval update.

Building Office –the building report was presented by Christine Falkowski of the Planning & Building Department:

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| Kathy Westermeier | 6446 Utley | Driveway |
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| Paul Fix | 13136 Steiner | Deck |
| Kristina & Joe Bragg | 8294 Greenbush | Permit renewal |
| Marcia Fisher | 7992 Kathryn | A.G. Pool |
| Ginny Brown-Cerasani | 11651 Rapids | Deck |
| Craig Huber | 4025 Pohl | Remodel |
| Lawrence Wagner | 10991 Keller | Pole barn |
| Bruce & Nancy Beebe | 6822 Cedar | Sunroom |

The Town Board accepted the report as presented.

Town Clerk- nothing to report

Attorney for the Town – he has been working on the refuse contract bid specs and they should be ready for approval and go out to bid by the end of this month.

COUNCILPERSONS:

Rooney – met with some residents on Hiller Rd regarding their request for a speed reduction on the road. They will start the petition process and get it to the Board.

Mayrose – met with Judge Campbell on the court consolidation issues and also attended the water meeting today. He also met with Mike on the salt shed proposals.

Baran – the repair on the library roof seems to have worked. There was no leaking after Saturdays rain.

York – he has talked with Legislator Rath who is willing to assist the Town in whatever way he can on the water pressure issues.

Supervisor- he discussed the budget information for the 2013 budget. He has met with the contractor on the library lower level project and attended the water meeting today.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Water Districts – after today’s meeting they are gathering the additional information the County wants and waiting for permit approvals.

Shared Public Works Facility Project – a meeting is scheduled Wednesday on the salt barn.

Murder Creek- the town has received its FEMA funding check we have been waiting for and Carl and Mark Gaston are busy working on the phase 2 part of the project.

NEW BUSINESS:

Approval- Standard Workdays for Employees:

A motion was made by Councilman Rooney, seconded by Councilman Mayrose approving the schedule of standard workdays for employees for 2012.

(Resolution Attached) Cummings-Aye, Rooney -Aye, Mayrose-Aye, Baran-Aye, York-Aye
Carried Unanimously

Approval- Temporary Water Restrictions:

A motion was made by Councilman Mayrose, seconded by Councilman Baran approving the imposition of temporary water restrictions on agricultural operations using temporary water meters due to the severe drought conditions in the region, subject to the terms set forth in the resolution.

(Resolution Attached) Cummings-Aye, Rooney -Aye, Mayrose-Aye, Baran-Aye, York-Aye
Carried Unanimously

Councilman Baran reported the HVAC maintenance has been completed on all the town buildings.

Question Period – no one spoke

There being no further business to come before the board a motion was made by Councilman Baran, seconded by Councilman Mayrose to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:25pm.

Carried Unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,
Dawn D. Izydorcak, Town Clerk