Newstead Town Board Meeting - January 24, 2011

A regular meeting was called to order by the Newstead Town Board on Monday, January 24, 2011 at 8:00pm at the Newstead Town Hall.

Present:  David L. Cummings- Supervisor  
Justin Rooney- Councilman  
Cheryl Esposito- Councilwoman  
James Mayrose- Councilman  
Richard Baran- Councilman  
Mike Bassanello- Highway Supt.  
Nathan Neill- Town Attorney  
Scott Rybarczyk- Town Engineer  
Dawn Izydorczak- Town Clerk  
Jennifer Heberling- Deputy Town 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 January 10, 2011 were presented for approval. A motion was made by Councilman Mayrose, seconded by Councilman Rooney to approve as presented. Carried Unanimously

Communications – The Town Clerk presented the following correspondence:

A letter from the Commissioner of the Community Development Block Grant program notifying the town that it will receive $253,115 in funding as requested for the Rural Transit Van Service in 2011. An annual report was submitted to the board by the Town Historian outlining her activities for 2010. A letter from Time Warner Cable notifying the town of the current programmers & broadcasters they are currently under negotiations with for service.

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

Work Session: The Supervisor reported that no work session held last week due to the holiday.

Privilege of the Floor – no one spoke

Budget Transfers: A motion was made by Councilwoman Esposito, seconded by Councilman Rooney to approve the requested budget transfers per a memo from Bookkeeper Colleen Salmon dated 1/24/2011. Carried Unanimously

Approval of Bills – Councilwoman Esposito reported that the Abstract from Batches #1014, 1015 & 1016 from the January 10, 2011 meeting has been reviewed with the previously un-audited vouchers and everything was found in order. She presented Abstract Batches #1020 & 1021. Vouchers on this abstract numbered from 1447 – 11468 for 2010 and 17-41 for 2011 totaling $179,896.68 and were presented by Councilwoman Esposito, seconded by Councilman Rooney to approve payment as follows:

Abstract Batches #1020 & 1021:  
General Fund (A) - $14,077.64, General Fund- Outside Village (B) $234.00, Highway (DA) - $0, Highway: Outside Village (DB) $21,549.84, Capital Projects: CAP- Highway Garage- (HG) - $143,031.43, CAP-Murder Creek (HM) $0, CAP- Town Hall Addition (HT) $0, Drainage (SD)- $0, Fire Protection (SF) $700.00, Refuse (SR) $0, Sewer Fund (SS) $273.67, Sewer District #2 (SS02)- $86.41, Trust & Agency(TA)- $0 and Water Districts (SW1) $190.00, (SW2) $0, (SW3) $0, (SW4) $0, (SW5) $0, (SW6) $0, (SW7) $0, (SW7A) $0, (SW8) $0, (SW9) $0, (SW10) $0  
Total: $179,896.68 Carried Unanimously
COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Highway – attended the joint facility meeting today with some of the contractors. They have been very busy with snow removal. At quota with the State and County on sand and salt. Ordered another 300 ton of salt.

Assessor – no report presented

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

- Gary Stone 12575 Hunts Corners Roof
- Leisurewood Campground 5720 Cummings Demolition

The Town Board accepted the report as presented.

Town Clerk- Tax bills were picked up this morning and they will start work on them this week. Disaster coordinators would like to see the Town Hall install a generator since this would be used as a command center. Scott is going to look into the cost.

Attorney for the Town – nothing

COUNCILPERSONS:

Rooney – attended the airport/CAC meeting. Thanked Carl and the citizens that attended.

Esposito – attended the airport/CAC meeting. There was a lot of information exchanged. They discussed drainage, hazardous spills and noise.

Mayrose – met with joint facility committee. Wednesday at 7:30am is the next meeting.

Baran - nothing

SUPERVISOR - The November & December Supervisor’s Reports are on file with the Town Clerk. Attended today’s joint facility meeting and had a conference call with Jane Corwin this evening regarding tax cap legislation. They discussed costs vs. fees/spending and the need to control mandates.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Water Districts – revised letter on pressure issues sent to ECWA hoping to set up a meeting for next week. Going forward with design and base mapping for the new waterlines.

Shared Public Works Facility Project – will have a new schedule in 2 weeks. There are now legal issues because the project is behind schedule. They have made a lot of progress in the office area.

Murder Creek Project – received a report from Erie County Soil and Apex. The design phase is more than 50% complete. Proposals should be ready in the next 2 weeks.

Planning Issues – starting to work on the kennel permit legislation again.

NEW BUSINESS:

Approval – Newstead Fire Company-Special Use Permit Approval
A motion was made by Councilman Rooney, seconded by Councilman Mayrose approving a special use permit to operate a Fire Station at 5691 Cummings Road in the Town of Newstead. (Resolution Attached) Cummings-Aye, Rooney-Aye, Esposito-Aye, Mayrose-Aye, Baran-Aye Carried Unanimously
Approval- Engineering Services on Waterline Project:
A motion was made by Councilman Mayrose, seconded by Councilman Rooney approving the proposed agreement with Wendel Duchscherer for Engineering Services for design services of waterline extensions along Tonawanda Creek Rd, Burdick Rd, Maple Rd, Koepsel Rd, and Kelkenberg Rd at a cost of $126,500 for design services and $6,000 for bidding services. 
(Resolution Attached) Cummings-Aye, Rooney -Aye, Esposito-Aye, Mayrose-Aye, Baran-Aye
Carried Unanimously

Municipal Endorsement for Akron Airport Project:
A motion was made by Councilwoman Esposito, seconded by Supervisor Cummings issuing a municipal endorsement on the proposed obstruction removal project for the Runway 25 protection zone, subject to the terms set forth in the resolution.
Discussion by Board Members confirming that this resolution is only for the removal of a building.
(Resolution Attached) Cummings-Aye, Rooney -Aye, Esposito-Aye, Mayrose-Aye, Baran-Aye
Carried Unanimously

Approval- NYS Police Contract Renewal:
A motion was made by Councilman Baran, seconded by Councilman Mayrose approving the renewal of the NYS Police contract with the Town for use of office space in the Town Hall for a 5 year period.
(Resolution Attached) Cummings-Aye, Rooney -Aye, Esposito-Aye, Mayrose-Aye, Baran-Aye
Carried Unanimously

Approval- Revaluation Project for 2011:
A motion was made by Councilman Rooney, seconded by Councilwoman Esposito approving & supporting the start of a town wide property revaluation project for 2011.
(Resolution Attached) Cummings-Aye, Rooney -No, Esposito-Aye, Mayrose-Aye, Baran-Aye
Carried

Approval- Training session for Highway Supt.:
A motion was made by Councilman Baran, seconded by Councilman Rooney approving the request by Highway Supt. Mike Bassanello to attend training school June 6-8.
(Resolution Attached) Cummings-Aye, Rooney -Aye, Esposito-Aye, Mayrose-Aye, Baran-Aye
Carried Unanimously

Approval-Surplus Equipment Bids:
A motion was made by Councilman Mayrose, seconded by Councilman Rooney approving the declaration of a skidster and a zero-turn mower as surplus equipment and authorizing the Highway Superintendent to bid out for sale.
(Resolution Attached) Cummings-Aye, Rooney-Aye, Esposito-Aye, Mayrose-Aye, Baran-Aye
Carried Unanimously

Approval- Newstead Fire Co Tax Exempt Financing:
A motion was made by Councilman Rooney, seconded by Councilman Baran approving the use of tax exempt financing in the amount of $700,000 for a portion of the construction costs of the addition to the Newstead Fire Hall and authorizing the Supervisor to execute and deliver the consent to transaction form.
(Resolution Attached) Cummings-Aye, Rooney -Aye, Esposito-Aye, Mayrose-Aye, Baran-Aye
Carried Unanimously

Supervisor stated that there will be a work session on January 31st.

Question Period – no one spoke

There being no further business to come before the board a motion was made by Councilman Rooney, seconded by Councilman Baran to adjourn the meeting at 8:46pm.
Carried Unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,
Dawn D. Izydorczak, RMC, Town Clerk

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