

Newstead Town Board Meeting- January 26, 2004

A Public Meeting was called to order by the Newstead Town Board on Monday, January 26, 2004 at the Newstead Town Hall at 7:45 PM.

Present: Gerald F. Summe- Supervisor
Tom George- Councilman
Joan M. Glor- Councilwoman
Harold L. Finger- Councilman
Scott Chaffee- Councilman
Christine Falkowski- Building Administrator
Andrew Casolini- Town Engineer
Nathan Neill- Town Attorney
Dawn Izydorczak- Town Clerk
Kathleen Lang- Deputy Clerk

Supervisor Summe called the public meeting to order and explained the proposed purchase by the Town of the Strippit Training Center for the use as a new Town Hall. Councilman George made a presentation explaining how and why the board has arrived at their decision for the purchase.

Comments:

Town Justice Richard Campbell, 12710 Brucker Rd., spoke in favor of the purchase and the additional needed space. He would also like to suggest deed restrictions on the new land.

Ed Ingalsbe, 5551 Barnum Rd., questioned the age of the new building, which was answered as approximately 35 years.

Dale Cheavacci, 113 John Street, questioned what would be done with the existing town hall building, which was answered that the building will be sold possibly with deed restrictions on its use

Michael Gerstung, 7184 Maple Rd., questioned the current use of Denio building.

Tom Cowan, Planning Board Chairman, 7 Hart Street, questioned if this eliminates the possibility of a town campus at Skyline and Buell Street. The answer was yes for the near future.

The entire Town Board stated they feel this purchase is the most cost-effective choice for growth of the town offices.

With no further comments made the public meeting was closed at 8:40pm.

A Regular Meeting was called to order by the Newstead Town Board at 8:40 PM.

Roll Call was taken with all board members present.

Ed Ingalsbe led the pledge to the flag.

Minutes from the previous regular board meeting held on January 12, 2004 were presented for approval. A motion was made by Councilman Finger, seconded by Councilman George to approve as presented.

Carried Unanimously

Communications – The Town Clerk presented the following:

A fax transmission from Amherst Central Alarm with their 2003 Annual Report of fire/EMS calls.

A letter from Erie County Department of Soil & Water Conservation announces their 2004 Conservation Tree & Shrub Seedling Program. Orders must be placed by March 26th and the pick-up date will be April 24, 2004 at the Erie County Fair Grounds in Hamburg. Order forms can be picked up at the town hall.

A letter from Erie County Executive Joel Giambra announcing the approval of Erie County Community Development Block Grants for 2 Town of Newstead projects. \$39,500 for the Senior Center and \$195,018 for the Rural Transit Van Service program.

A letter from Erie County Department of Environment & Planning regarding the 2004 Erie County Annual Action Plan Report for 2004 Grant Programs. The report is available at the town hall during regular business hours for review by any interested person.

A letter from Erie County Commission on the Status of Women regarding their newest report Facts About Women in Erie County, 2003. The report is available at the town hall during regular business hours for review by any interested person.

A memo from Wendel Duchscherer with their comments on the Faith Fellowship Church parking lot plan review.

A Fax Transmission from the Village of Farnham with a resolution passed by their Board in support of the Seneca Nation of Indians and protection of their treaties.

A motion was made by Councilman George, seconded by Councilwoman Glor to receive and file correspondence as presented. Carried Unanimously

Work Session: Supervisor Summe reported that at the work session held on January 19, 2004 the following issues were discussed: discussion on dog license fees, the Senior Center, WD #10, property purchase for town hall use, airport re-zoning, agenda for joint village meeting, the David Swarts letter, comments on fire inspection information, as well as other issues.

Privilege of the Floor – No one spoke

Approval of Bills -Councilwoman Glor reported that she had reviewed the Abstract from Batch #225, 227 & 228 from the 1/12/04 meeting with the previously UN-audited vouchers and found everything in order. She presented Abstract Batch #231, 232 & 233. Vouchers on this abstract numbered for 2003: 2876-2899 and 2004: 16-27 totaling \$157,318.84 and were presented for payment approval by Councilwoman Glor, seconded by Councilman Finger to approve payment.

Abstract Batch 231, 232 & 233:

General Fund (A) -\$7,660.17, Fund (B) \$1,471.22, Highway (DA) -\$0, Highway: Outside Village (DB) \$9,290.92, Capital Projects- WD#5-Phase II (HC) \$509.73, CAP-Senior Center (HF)- \$1,392.51, Sewer Dist. #2 (HJ)- \$125,359.37, CAP- Library Fund (HE)-\$0, CAP-WD#10 (HI)- \$0, Fire Protection (SF) \$0, Refuse (SR) \$265.95, Sewer Fund (SS) \$1,766.72, and Water Districts (SW1) \$2,887.50, (SW2) \$0, (SW3) \$6,714.75, (SW4) \$0, (SW5) \$0, (SW6) \$0, (SW7) \$0, (SW7A) \$0, (SW8) \$0, (SW9) \$0, Trust & Agency (TA) \$0, Totaling \$157,318.84 Carried Unanimously

COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Highway –Not present, out plowing

Assessor –Not present, in Albany

Building Office –the following building report was presented by the Building Administrator Christine Falkowski:

William Leiker, Jr.	7431 Cedar	Single Family Home
John Alfieri	13710 Main	Temp Sign renewal
Lewistraum Kennel	12472 Stage	Special Permit Renewal
David Dulanski	7607 Greenbush	Special Permit Renewal
Triple G Small Engine	12056 Buckwheat	Special Permit Renewal
Champion Auto Locators	11678 Main	Special Permit Renewal

A motion was made by Councilman Finger, seconded by Councilman Chaffee to accept and approve the building report and 3 year comparison report as presented.

Carried Unanimously

Town Clerk- The town newsletter will be going out to residents in February. Any information that the Board or department heads would like to go in the newsletter should be in by the first week of February. 2004 County/Town tax bills will be coming in shortly and will be mailed on February 14th. Review of dog license fees is in process and recommendations should be made within the next 2 weeks at work session.

Attorney for the Town- Nothing at this time

COUNCILPERSONS

Chaffee – Nothing at this time

George –Nothing at this time

Glor –Opening of Senior Center on January 18th was well attended and very well received.

Finger-Nothing at this time

SUPERVISOR –Announced the Project of the Year Award for 2004 Structures for the Senior Center from Western New York Chapter of American Public Works Association. He is very proud to be a part of this board and thanked Andrew Casolini and Wendel for their help in this project.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Water District #10- work in progress on project.

Town Wide Drainage-brought drawings that will be presented at joint village/town meeting later this evening.

Christian Airmen Re-Zoning- corresponding with attorney, getting closer to their opinions and actions on the proposed zoning.

Senior Center-Councilwoman Glor- Rooms are already being well used.
Councilman Finger –Construction phase final and working on close out of this project.

Sewer Project-Project final, waiting for finishing on financials and final hook-up of Whittings plant.

Other- nothing

NEW BUSINESS

Share Agreement with Alden- Building Inspector:

A motion was made by Councilman Chaffee, seconded by Councilman George authorizing the supervisor to sign the agreement with the Town of Alden for emergency use of their building inspector.

(Resolution Attached) Ayes-5 Nay-0 Carried Unanimously

T-Mobile Lease Agreement Approval:

A motion was made by Councilman George, seconded by Councilwoman Glor, authorizing the Supervisor to sign the Lease Agreement with T-Mobile for transmittal services from the Skyline Drive site.

 Ayes-5 Nay-0 Carried unanimously

SEQR Negative Dec- Strippit Training Center:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Glor, seconded by Councilman Finger issuing a negative SEQR declaration on the purchase of the Strippit Training Center building.

(Resolution Attached) Ayes-5 Nay-0 Carried Unanimously

Authorizing Bond & Purchase - Strippit Training Center:

A motion was made by Councilman Finger, seconded by Councilwoman Glor approving the Bond Resolution for the purchase of the Strippit Training Center building.

(Resolution Attached) Ayes- 5 Nay-0 Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Councilman Chaffee, seconded by Councilman George authorizing the Supervisor to execute the contracts for the purchase of the Strippit Training Center building contingent upon conditions set forth in the amount of \$460,000.

(Resolution Attached) Ayes- 5 Nay-0 Carried Unanimously

Senior Van Service Agreement- Clarence:

A motion was made by Councilman George, seconded by Councilwoman Glor authorizing the Supervisor to sign the Inter-municipal Agreement with the Town of Clarence to share use of the Erie County Senior Van.

(Resolution Attached) Ayes-5 Nay-0 Carried Unanimously

SEQR Lead Agency- Water Tank:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Glor, seconded by Councilman Finger declaring Lead Agency under the SEQR process for the proposed Town of Newstead Elevated Water Storage Tank.

(Resolution Attached) Ayes-5 Nay-0 Carried unanimously

Archeological Survey Approval- WD #10:

A motion was made by Councilman Finger, seconded by Councilwoman Glor, to hire Hartgen Archaeological Associates, Inc. to conduct a study of the proposed Water District 10 sites at a cost not to exceed \$7,053.00 for Phase 1A and \$55,218.40 for Phase 1B.

(Resolution Attached) Ayes-5 Nay-0 Carried unanimously

NYS Archives Grant Approval:

A motion was made by Councilman Chaffee, seconded by Councilman George, approving the application for a New York State Archives Grant and authorizing the Supervisor to sign the same.

(Resolution Attached) Ayes-5 Nay-0 Carried unanimously

Special Use Permits:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Glor, seconded by Councilman Chaffee approving 2004 Special Use Permits for Country Care Day Care, Triple G Small Engine Repair, Melissa Liddick, Buffalo Drilling Co., Inc., and Champion Auto Locators. Also Temporary Special Use Permits for John H. Smith, Jr. and David Glian contingent upon conditions set forth.

Ayes-5 Nay-0 Carried unanimously

Question Period-No one spoke

There being no further business to come before the board a motion was made by Councilwoman Glor, seconded by Councilman Finger to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 PM

Carried Unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn D. Izydorczak,
Town Clerk