

A Regular Meeting of the Newstead Town Board was called to order on Monday, March 27, 2000, at the Newstead Town Hall at 8:00 PM.

Present: Gerald F. Summe – Deputy Supervisor
Thomas George - Councilman
David L. Cummings – Councilman
Joan M. Glor - Councilwoman
Donnal D. Folger – Code Enforcement Officer
Fred Pask – Assessor
Andrew Casolini – Engineer
James B. Ebersole – Highway Superintendent
Nathan S. Neill – Attorney for the Town
Carole D. Borchert – Town Clerk

Roll Call was taken with all board members present with the exception of Supervisor Holmes, who is in Albany.

Pledge to the flag was led by Councilman Cummings.

Minutes from the previous meetings held on March 13, 2000 and March 20, 2000 were presented for approval. A motion was made by Councilman George, seconded by Councilman Cummings to approve as presented.

Carried Unanimously

Communications - Clerk presented the following:

A letter from NYD Department of Transportation regarding SEQR Review ADESA Auctions of Buffalo, 12200 Main Road, requesting additional information.

Information from Wendel Engineers on the Town of Newstead insurance renewal and the Kelly Schultz Site Plan Review.

Information on a Town of Newstead policy with respect to subdivisions carried out without compliance with the procedures under the code.

A copy of a local law signed into law by Erie County Executive Giambra for disabled homeowners, allowing a partial property tax exemption along with a copy of the criteria for determining same.

Information from Time Warner Communications expanding the channel lineup on cablevision.

Town of Amherst Central Fire Alarm Office February, 2000 Operations Report.

A motion was made by Councilman George, seconded by Councilman Cummings to receive and file.

Carried Unanimously

Deputy Supervisor Summe reviewed the last work session having met with Mike Lewis from Jaycees to discuss budget and program, Jim Ebersole to discuss the salt barn project, heard discussions on water district update on #5 timing on Clark Patterson, etc and district #7A, Wendel retained services, Library issues and Northeast Caisson project status. He also reported on the visit to Wendel offices to discuss the 51 acre parkland property and to set a plan in action.

Privilege of the Floor – No one spoke.

Approval of Bills – The following vouchers were approved for payment by Councilwoman Glor, seconded by Councilman George: General Fund “A” – \$26,736.20, General Fund “B” - \$478.21, Highway “DA” - \$10.19, Highway Outside Village “DB” - \$4041.27, Capital Projects “HC” WD#5 – \$118,246.53, Capital Projects “HE” Library, \$263.88, Fire Protection “SF” \$181.66, Refuse “SR” \$10,418.63, Sewer “SS” \$24.24, and Water Districts “SW” - \$445.63, numbered #228 through #281 excluding #271 totaling \$160,846.44.

Carried Unanimously

She also reported that she has checked Abstract #5 dated 3-14-2000 and finds it in order.

She reported that the Supervisor’s Reports for December, January and February are still on hold.

COMMITTEE /DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Highway - Superintendent Ebersole had nothing new to report.

Assessor – He stated that the Star exemptions have been coming in at a steady flow.

Code Enforcement Officer - The following building permits were presented for the record:

- John Owen - 6678 Hake Road – Rear Addition
- Raymond Sequin, Jr. – 7589 Greenbush Road – Second floor addition
- Kelly Schultz – 11161-11165 Main Road – Events Center
- Cas Hoffman – 8255 Burdick Road – Garage
- Judith Miller – 13588 Stage Road – Shed
- ADESA – 12200 Main Road – Diesel Fuel Tank

Action is required for an excavation permit for Pine Hill Materials Corp. located on Siehl and County Line Road. They will be excavating over 1 million yards of material at a depth of 30’, elevation of 855’-875’. A motion was made by Councilman Cummings, seconded by Councilwoman Glor to approve as presented.

Carried Unanimously

Councilwoman Glor is working on refuse complaints per report given from Don’s Office.

He would like to be involved in the project on the subdivision policy to be discussed at the next work session.

He was asked about Kaufmann’s warehouse and the proposed golf dome. He stated that the old J & I building is being used by Kaufmann’s as a furniture warehouse and the golf dome is only in the talking stage. He has no plans before him.

Town Clerk – She attended a Regional/Educational Town Clerk’s Meeting at Adams Mark Hotel in Buffalo today . Gerry Kelly and Bob Freeman from Office of the State Comptroller, Albany were the speakers.

Attorney for the Town – Nothing at the time.

COUNCILMAN

Deputy Supervisor Summe – He reported on the Master Plan Project stating that they have three firms that have applied for the project. They will be interviewed at the next meeting April 6th.

He is awaiting Rambo Roofing to fix the leak on the roof at the Highway Garage. New bright lights have been installed on all sides of the Town Hall building.

George – Nothing at this time.

Cummings – He met with the budget committee on the Library and School and they are reviewing the paperwork..

Glor – She stated that dates have been set for the Tire Drop-Off and White Goods Pickup. Saturday, April 29 for the Tire Drop-Off with permit at the Newstead Highway Garage, Monday, May 1, South of Route 5, White Good Pickup and Tuesday, May 2, North of Route 5. Ads to be placed in all local papers.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Water District #5 – Andrew reported that April 1 is the deadline for connection. A construction meeting is scheduled for this week.

Water District # 7A – They are securing two easements. Should go to bid in 4 – 5 weeks.

Library Project – He has been meeting with the Erie County Public Library, Library Board and Town Board for comments on the building plan. They are working on a schematic design and costing on the project focusing on a schedule. He will be meeting with the Village Board on site design incorporating the Akron Fire Co. and Akron House on April 4th.

Rezoning for Scotland Road – Would like the Master Plan Committee to have input.

Salt Barn – Nothing

ADESA Site Plan – Moving forward.

Pine Hill Application –. Nothing.

Wastewater Update – Information next meeting from Andrew.

Wendel Retained Services – Awaiting the Attorney to redo as directed.

Unified Court System Grant – Hold for Supervisor..

NEW BUSINESS

General Usage plan for Skyline property – After discussion of same the following resolution was moved by Councilman Cummings, seconded by Councilman George affirming the general usage plan for the land at Buell and Skyline:

(Resolution Attached)

Carried Unanimously

Councilwoman Glor stated the grant is complete and ready to be mailed. She would like to thank Carl Klingenschmitt and Ken Koehler publicly for their help in preparing the grant paperwork.

The attached resolution was moved by Councilwoman Glor, seconded by Councilman Cummings authorizing the Supervisor to file the completed application for funds:

(Resolution Attached)

Carried Unanimously

Citizen of the Year Proclamation – The attached proclamation honoring Richard E. Forrestel was moved by Councilwoman Glor, seconded by Councilman Cummings:

(Proclamation Attached)

Carried Unanimously

Clerk to prepare for Town Board signatures, to be presented at the dinner on April 3, 2000 at The Akron House.

Policy concerning subdivision non-compliance – No action.

Other – Playground Equipment – A motion was made by Councilman Cummings, seconded by Councilwoman Glor to purchase said equipment at a cost of \$13,726.20 from Gametime Playground Equipment, Brick Town, NJ, as specified in the low bid. Equipment to be placed at the Town Park on Buell Street.

Carried Unanimously

Question Period – No one spoke.

There being no further business to come before the board a motion was made by Councilman Cummings, seconded by Councilwoman Glor at 8:45M.

Carried Unanimously

Carole D. Borchert
Town Clerk