Newstead Town Board Meeting - May 9, 2011

A public hearing was called to order by the Newstead Town Board on Monday, May 9, 2011 at 7:58pm 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  
Jennifer Heberling- Deputy Town Clerk

Roll Call was taken with all board members present.

The Supervisor called the public hearing to order on proposed Local Law #2 of 2011 increasing the size of the Board of Assessment Review from 3 to 5 members.

The Deputy Clerk read the proof of publication.

Comments: no one appeared to speak.

There being no further comments a motion was made by Councilman Mayrose, seconded by Councilman Rooney to closed the public hearing at 8:00pm

A regular meeting of the Town Board was called to order at 8:00pm with the same members present as listed above.

Supervisor Cummings led the pledge to the flag.

Minutes from the previous regular meeting held on April 25, 2011 were presented for approval. A motion was made by Councilman Mayrose, seconded by Councilman Baran to approve as presented. Carried Unanimously

Communications – The Deputy Town Clerk presented the following correspondence:

A letter from the Department of State notifying the town that Local Law #1 of 2011 was received and filed on April 21, 2011.

A letter from the Erie Co. Community Planning Coordinator regarding the town’s intention to renew the Local Cooperation Agreement between the town and the Erie County Community Development Block Grant Consortium.

A Memorandum of Understanding between the Erie Co. Department of Environment and Planning and the Northeast Southtowns Solid Waste Management Board announcing a Household Hazardous Waste drop-off on June 18th, 2011 from 9am to 2pm at ECC South Campus.

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

Work Session: The Supervisor reported that at work session held last the following items were discussed: water districts issues, building projects updates, planning issues, murder creek project, airport issues, limerick hall, and any other issues brought before the board.

Privilege of the Floor – Robert Scheib-51 Brooklyn St. – read a prepared statement with regards to the Akron Airport and passed out copies of same to the board. Also presented Supervisor Cummings with photographs of the caves under the airport.
Budget Transfers: motion was made by Councilwoman Esposito, seconded by Councilman Mayrose to approve the budget transfers per Bookkeeper Colleen Salmons memo dated 5/9/11. Carried Unanimously

Approval of Bills – Councilwoman Esposito reported that the Abstract from Batch(es) #1064 from the April 25, 2011 meeting has been reviewed with the previously un-audited vouchers and everything was found in order. She presented Abstract Batches #1068 & 69. Vouchers on this abstract numbered from 439 – 496, totaling $358,528.43 and were presented by Councilwoman Esposito, seconded by Councilman Mayrose to approve payment as follows:

Abstract Batches #1068 & 69:
General Fund (A) -$33,100.39, General Fund- Outside Village (B) $197.47, Highway (DA) -$0, Highway: Outside Village (DB) $1,169.41, Capital Projects: CAP- Highway Garage- (HG) - $190.46, CAP-Murder Creek (HM) $217.63, CAP-Town Hall Addition (HT) $315.00, CAP- Water Improvement (HW)- $0, Drainage (SD)- $0, Fire Protection (SF) $284,887.24, Refuse (SR) $28,782.64, Sewer Fund (SS) $2,896.83, Sewer District #2 (SS02)- $262.50, Trust & Agency(TA)-$0 and Water Districts Consolidated(SW00) $6,508.86, (SW1) $0, (SW2) $0, (SW3) $0, (SW4) $0, (SW5) $0, (SW6) $0, (SW7) $0, (SW7A) $0, (SW8) $0, (SW9) $0, (SW10) $0
Total: $358,528.43 Carried Unanimously

COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Highway – thanked the guys for the work they did on the soccer fields. Also thanked the village for allowing the use of their zero-turn mower.

Assessor – 2011 tentative roll is on the website. ACN’s and RFP’s have been mailed. Grievance day is May 24th.

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

Adam & Allison Massaro 13482 Bloomingdale Remodel
Randy & Judy Bergman 12775 Carney SFH
Daniel L. Cummings 6135 Utley Driveway
Ben & Sandy Miles 13923 Knapp Fireplace Insert
Casilio Real Estate Dev. 11342 Main Sign

The Town Board accepted the report as presented.

Town Clerk – Presented the April 2011 DCO report. David will be out of town from May 8th – 18th. Bev will be in charge.

Attorney for the Town – nothing

COUNCILPERSONS:

Rooney - nothing

Esposito – thanked Ray Walter for the hot dog roast he hosted on Saturday. He raised $300 for the Newstead Public Library.

Mayrose – thanked Mike and his crew for the great job on the soccer fields.

Baran – work has been completed (gutters/downspouts) at the senior center. Has gotten estimated for a new roof. Work on the old library should begin soon. Also beginning the work on the new library with regards to the vandalism from last year.
SUPERVISOR – attended several meetings. He and Councilman Baran met with some of the contractors mentioned above. Also meeting weekly with the joint facility contractors.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Water Districts – 60% planned. Letters to the residents have gone out and getting a good response. Public information meeting will be held June 6th. Informational packets will be mailed out May 15th.

Shared Public Works Facility Project – building completely enclosed. Still on track to be completed in mid June. Trees that were donated from Peter Forrestel’s property have been planted. There will be a walkthrough of the new joint facility next Monday at 7:15PM for the board members.

Murder Creek Project – received a verbal ok from Todd Ege to move forward. FEMA Region 2 has no major issues and we are ready to go out to bid. Construction to being around July 15th.

NEW BUSINESS:

Public Hearing- Niagara Specialty Metals Project:
A motion was made by Councilman Mayrose, seconded by Councilman Baran approving the calling of a public hearing on the proposed 7,700 sq. ft. building construction at Niagara Specialty Metals to be held on June 13, 2011 at 7:50pm at the Town Hall.
(Resolution Attached) Cummings-Aye, Rooney -Aye, Esposito-Aye, Mayrose-Aye, Baran-Aye
Carried Unanimously

Lead Agency- Niagara Specialty Metals Project:
A motion was made by Councilman Rooney, seconded by Councilman Mayrose issuing a declaration of lead agency on the proposed unlisted action for construction of a 7,700 sq. ft. maintenance building at Niagara Specialty Metals and authorizing the building department to conduct a coordinated review.
(Resolution Attached) Cummings-Aye, Rooney -Aye, Esposito-Aye, Mayrose-Aye, Baran-Aye
Carried Unanimously

Resolution – Authorization of Archaeological Survey:
A motion was made by Councilman Baran, seconded by Councilman Rooney authorizing Panamerican Consultants, Inc. to conduct a Phase 1A and Phase 1B archaeological survey for the Newstead Water District Waterline project not to exceed $8,989.00.
(Resolution Attached)Cummings–Aye, Rooney–Aye, Espostio-Aye, Mayrose-Aye, Baran-Aye
Carried Unanimously

Question Period – no one spoke.

Supervisor Cummings stated that he will be talking to Allied Waste with regards to the 2 pages of complaints we have received since the first of the year.

There being no further business to come before the board a motion was made by Councilman Baran, seconded by Councilman Mayrose to adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm.
Carried Unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,
Jennifer Heberling, Deputy Town Clerk