Newstead Town Board Meeting- December 27, 2005

A Regular Meeting was called to order by the Newstead Town Board on Monday, December 27, 2005 at the Newstead Town Hall at 8:00PM.

Present: Gerald Summe- Supervisor
Tom George- Councilman
Harold Finger- Councilman
Mark Decker- Councilman
Nathan Neill- Town Attorney
Dawn D. Izydorczak- Town Clerk

Roll Call was taken with all board members present except Councilman Chaffee.

Bill Kaufman led the pledge to the flag.

Minutes from the previous regular board meeting held on December 12, 2005 were presented for approval. A motion was made by Councilman Decker, seconded by Councilman Finger to accept with the addition of the joint facility location to the 4 car garage project resolution. Carried

Communications – The Town Clerk presented the following:

The monthly water sampling report was received from Midstate Environmental Labs for Water Districts #1 & #3, with all levels being within acceptable ranges.

A letter from Akron Fire Co. requesting Town Board approval to purchase 1.5 acres of land at 36 Mechanic Street for $125,000, per their contract requirements with the Town.

A announcement from the Erie County Dept. of Environment & Planning regarding the next Electronics/Computer Recycling and Christmas Tree Mulching day on Saturday, January 14, 2006 from 9:00am - 12:00pm at the Buffalo Zoo parking lot on Parkside Ave & Jewett.

A Notice of Public Hearing from the Erie County Board of Health regarding proposed revisions to the Sanitary Code, Article XXII- Regulations of Tattoo Artists and Establishments to be held on January 26, 2006 at 3:00pm in Room 904 of the Rath Building County Offices at 95 Franklin Street in Buffalo.

A letter and petition from Davison Road residents requesting a reduction of the speed limit on that road from Howe Rd to Clarence Center Rd due to the increased number of families with children in the area.

A motion was made by Councilman Finger, seconded by Councilman Decker to receive and file correspondence as presented. Carried

Work Session: Supervisor Summe reported that no work session was held December 19th.

Privilege of the Floor – Stanley Serwon of Davison Road spoke regarding the letter and petition he sent in asking for a reduced speed on Davison Road. He stated that he would like to amend the request to include the entire road from Main Road to Clarence Center Rd. Supervisor Summe stated that they would amend his request and are also adding a request for a 4-way stop sign at the Howe Road intersection.

Approval of Bills -Councilman Decker reported that the Abstracts from Batches #459 & 460 from the December 12, 2005 meeting have been reviewed with the previously UN-audited vouchers and everything was found in order. He presented Abstract Batch #462 & 463. Vouchers on these abstracts numbered #1455 - 1505, totaling $31,499.72 and were presented for payment approval by Councilman Decker, seconded by Councilman George to approve payment.
General Fund (A) -$19,008.49, Fund (B) $1,029.05, Highway (DA) -$0, Highway: Outside Village (DB) $7,272.56, Capital Projects: CAP-WD#10 (HI)- $1,330.00, CAP-Town Hall (HK)- $1,370.00, Highway Garage (HG) - $0, Fire Protection (SF) $0, Refuse (SR) $0, Sewer Fund (SS) $1,389.83, Sewer District #2 (SS02)- $79.79, and Water Districts (SW1) $10.00, (SW2) $0, (SW3) $10.00, (SW4) $0, (SW5) $0, (SW6) $0, (SW7) $0, (SW7A) $0, (SW8) $0, (SW9) $0, (SW10) $0, Trust & Agency(TA)- $0 Totaling $31,499.72. Carried

COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Highway – Not present. Recouperating from fall.


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

No permits this period

A motion was made by Councilman Finger, seconded by Councilman Decker to accept and approve the Building Report as presented. Carried

Town Clerk- Nothing at this time.

Attorney for the Town – Nothing at this time

COUNCILPERSONS

Chaffee- Not present

George- Nothing at this time

Finger- Nothing at this time

Decker- Questioned the Town Clerk on when the last Dog Control Officers report was received. She stated she believed it was in October.

SUPERVISOR- Supervisor Summe announced the resignation of Zoning Board member Ike Cummings and accepted his resignation with regret. November Supervisor’s Report is complete and on file with the Town Clerk.

A motion was made by Councilman Finger, seconded by Councilman Decker to authorize the Town Clerk to send a letter to Ike Cummings accepting his letter of resignation with regret. Carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Water District #10- Phase 1A – work continuing

Phase 1B – work continuing

Phase 2- soil borings work to be approved later in meeting

Water Tank- construction is moving along.

Route 5 Zoning- a public hearing to be scheduled in January.

Shared Public Works Facility Committee- contractor has been approved. They are starting a schedule right after January 1st with milestone dates for the project to be set.

Other: nothing
NEW BUSINESS:

Akron Fire Co. Land Purchase Approval:
A motion was made by Councilman George, seconded by Councilman Finger approving the request of the Akron Fire Co. to purchase 1.5 acres of land located at 36 Mechanic Street at a cost of $125,000.00.
(Resolution Attached) Ayes- 4 Nays-0 Absent-1 Carried

Davison Road - Speed Study request:
A motion was made by Councilman Finger, seconded by Councilman Decker approving the request for a speed study on Davison Road and the request for a 4-way stop sign at the Howe Road intersection and authorizing the Town Clerk to send the appropriate applications on to the Erie County DPW Commissioner.
Ayes- 4 Nays-0 Absent- 1 Carried

WD#10-Phase 2 Soil Borings Approval:
A motion was made by Councilman Decker, seconded by Councilman Finger approving the hiring of SJB Services, Inc. in the estimated amount of $4,971.00 to perform soil boring tests for the Water District #10-Phase 2 project, with said costs not to exceed $5,000.00.
(Resolution Attached) Ayes- 4 Nays- 0 Absent- 1 Carried

Scotland Road/Martin Road intersection - Traffic Study Request:
A motion was made by Councilman George, seconded by Councilman Finger approving the request for a traffic study on the Scotland Road and Martin Road intersection due to sight limits and authorizing the Town Clerk to send the appropriate applications on to the Erie County DPW Commissioner.
Ayes- 4 Nays-0 Absent- 1 Carried

The Organizational Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 3, 2006 at 8 PM.

Question Period - Mr. Serwon questioned the timeline for the speed study. The Supervisor estimated 3 months.

Supervisor Summe stated it has been an honor to serve the residents of the Town for the last 20 years. He and the Board are leaving the town in excellent fiscal shape. He wished everyone the best and thanked them for their support thru the years.

Councilman George stated it has been an honor to serve with Jerry Summe for the last several years on the Town Board. He thanked Jerry for his dedication to the community and the Town Board for the last 20 years. He stated that no one works harder or cares more for this community that Jerry and he often had a saying that if anyone were to cut Jerry he would “bleed Town of Newstead Blue”. They didn’t always agree on all the issues, but the right decisions were always made for the residents.

There being no further business to come before the board a motion was made by Councilman Decker, seconded by Councilman Finger to adjourn the meeting at 8:23 PM.
Carried

Respectfully Submitted,
Dawn D. Izydorczak, Town Clerk