

Newstead Town Board Meeting- June 10, 2013

A regular meeting was called to order by the Newstead Town Board on Monday, June 10, 2013 at 8:00pm at the Newstead Town Hall.

Present: David Cummings- Supervisor
Justin Rooney- Councilman
James Mayrose- Councilman
Richard Baran- Councilman
Donald York- Councilman
Scott Rybarczyk- Town Engineer
Nathan Neill- Town Attorney
Michael Bassanello- Highway Supt.
Dawn Izydorzak- Town Clerk
Jennifer Heberling- Deputy Town Clerk

Roll Call was taken with all board members present.

Councilman Rooney led the pledge to the flag.

Minutes from the previous regular meeting held on May 28, 2013, were presented for approval. A motion was made by Councilman Mayrose, seconded by Councilman York to approve as presented.
Carried Unanimously

Communications – The Town Clerk presented the following correspondence:

Three letters were received from Time Warner Cable notifying the town of the programmers & service providers they are currently in negotiations with for service.

A report on the Shred-It event was received from the Village of Akron Clerk Treasurer.

A Notice was received from the NYS Department of Taxation and Finance notifying the town that the Assessor's term of office is expiring on September 30, 2013 and an appointment must be made by that date.

The May 2013 Operations Report was received from Amherst Central Alarm Office reporting 54 calls for Akron Fire Co. and 23 calls for Newstead Fire Co.

Three letters were received from the Civil Air Patrol regarding their event held at the Akron Airport and the event permit fee paid.

A letter from Akron Police Chief Rick Lauricella regarding a recommendation for increased police coverage on court nights.

A letter from the Town of Clarence Supervisor David Hartell thanking the Newstead Senior Van drivers, Brenda Cerasani and Jerry Szmania for assisting Clarence with their van service for several months while their primary driver was out ill.

A letter from Senator Patrick Gallivan regarding new legislation proposed to allow sharing of neighboring IDA's to create regional IDA's.

A copy of a letter from Legislator Ed Rath to resident Anne Pacquin regarding her concern over the Swift Mills Rd bridge repair/closing.

A letter from the Akron Celebration Committee and Special Event Permit application requesting use of the Town Park facilities to have the July 4th Fireworks part of the Town/Village celebrations.

A letter from the Tonawanda Indian Baptist Church requesting permission, as a partner with the Akron Celebration Committee, to use the town park shelter for a food stand during the July 3rd fireworks.

A copy of a proposed Local Law amending the Zoning Code by the Town of Lancaster. A public hearing will be held on the proposed law on July 1, 2012 at 7:15pm.

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

Work Session: The Supervisor reported that no work session was held last week but the following issues were discussed prior to tonight's meeting: water district issues, joint facility report, building projects, planning issues, contracts, grants, ethics committee report, park master plan and old highway garage issues, and any other issues brought before the Board.

Privilege of the Floor – no one appeared to speak

Budget Transfers: a motion was made by Councilman Baran, seconded by Councilman Mayrose to approve the budget transfers per the memo from Bookkeeper Colleen Salmon dated June 10, 2013.
Carried Unanimously

Approval of Bills – Councilman Mayrose reported that the Abstract from Batch(es) # 1291 with postage payment from the May 28, 2013 meeting have been reviewed with the previously un-audited vouchers and everything was found in order. He presented Abstract Batch(es) #1295 for payment. Vouchers on this abstract(s) numbered from 540 – 592, totaling \$155,825.30 and were presented by Councilman Mayrose, seconded by Councilman York to approve payment as follows:

Abstract Batch(es) #1295:
General Fund (A) -\$23,223.98, General Fund- Outside Village (B) \$127.82, Highway (DA) -\$0, Highway: Outside Village (DB) \$2,482.21, Capital Projects: CAP- Highway Garage- (HG) - \$0, CAP-Murder Creek (HM) \$1,519.51, CAP- Equipment Purchase (HR02)- \$0, CAP- Library Basement (HR04) \$ 0, CAP- Scotland Rd (HS)- \$0, CAP- Town Hall (HT)- \$0, CAP- Water Improvement (HW)- \$0, Drainage (SD)- \$574.72, Fire Protection (SF) \$94,869.77, Refuse (SR) \$25,832.10, Sewer Fund (SS) \$0, Sewer District #2 (SS02)- \$331.70, Trust & Agency(TA)- \$0 and Water Districts: Consolidated (SW00) \$6,863.49, (SW1) \$0, (SW2) \$0, (SW3) \$0, (SW4) \$0, (SW5) \$0, (SW6) \$0, (SW7) \$0, (SW7A) \$0, (SW8) \$0, (SW9) \$0, (SW10) \$0
Total: \$155,825.30
Carried Unanimously

COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Highway –met with Councilman Mayrose regarding park issues, attended the Shred-It recycling event, attended the joint facility meeting, highway school on June 3, 4 and 5, and stated the oiling and stoning of roads will be moved back a week.

Assessor – no report presented as Becky is attending Board of Assessment Review sessions.

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

Dande Farms	13278 Carney	Repair
John Schrock	7389 Sandhill	Pole barn
Justin Gerstung	7238 Cedar	A.G. Pool
Joe Savakinas	11890 Meahl	A.G. Pool
Cynthia Hopkins	11454 Stage	Roof

The Town Board accepted the report as presented.

Town Clerk- thanked the highway department for the wonderful job on the landscaping and mowing at the town hall.

Attorney for the Town – nothing to report

COUNCILPERSONS:

Rooney – he attended the Newstead Fire meeting, the fire contract meetings, recreation hiring meeting, the Shred-It recycling event and a meeting with Ed Rath regarding the park purchase.

Mayrose – he attended the Shred-It recycling event, the joint facility committee meeting, met with the Highway Superintendent regarding park plans and proposed sidewalk to town hall, attended

union mediation meeting, attended Newstead Fire Company meeting, attended a webinar regarding social media, met with Board of Assessment Review, met with Akron and Newstead Fire Companies regarding their contract and thanked the Akron Fire Company for inviting him to participate in the Hero's Run at Chestnut Ridge Park.

Baran – he went up in a plane with Al Kidder and got a different perspective on the runways at the Akron Airport, he is getting quotes for the town park shelter roof to be replaced with a forest green metal roof, attended Shred-It recycling event and is working on a Hearts and Hands chair project.

York – he is still working on getting proposals to move Limerick Hall to the Town Park and spoke to some farmers regarding ditching and attended a highway meeting.

Supervisor – he attended the Supervisor's meeting in Elma, the joint facility committee meeting, and continuing work on the library projects. He met with the grant writers and LCS on the old highway garage. He will also be going up with Al Kidder in his plane on Wednesday.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Joint Facility- a meeting of the committee was held where several issues were discussed including the final payment for Christa and the floor still peeling. They will be having a meeting with the employees this Tuesday regarding Standard Operating Procedures. A quarterly schedule is being set for safety training for the employees.

Planning Issues- restoration on last year's waterline project areas is scheduled for when the weather dries up. The Clarence Center Rd sidewalk options were discussed.

Water projects – surveys on Downey and Draper Roads are complete and they are moving on to mapping.

Conservation issues - Emerald Ash Borer – nothing new **Murder Creek** – received the APEX report from May 29th. Need to talk to Carl regarding the final phase.

NEW BUSINESS:

BOND - Parkland Purchase:

A motion was made by Councilman York, seconded by Councilman Mayrose approving the issuance of a maximum of \$210,000 in bonds for the purchase of 131.37 acres of parkland from the Erie County Park system.

(Resolution Attached) Cummings-Aye, Rooney -Aye, Mayrose-Aye, Baran-Aye, York-Aye
Carried Unanimously

Agreement with Erie County- Parkland Purchase:

A motion was made by Councilman Rooney, seconded by Councilman Mayrose approving the proposed agreement between the Town and Erie County for the purchase of 131.37 acres of County Parkland in the Town of Newstead for a cost of \$200,000.00 and authorizing the Supervisor to execute the agreement with the County on behalf of the Town.

Cummings-Aye, Rooney -Aye, Mayrose-Aye, Baran-Aye, York-Aye Carried Unanimously

NYS Worker's Compensation Alliance:

A motion was made by Councilman Mayrose, seconded by Councilman Rooney approving the insurance proposal from NYS Worker's Compensation Alliance at a total cost of \$79,437 for the year and authorizing the Supervisor to execute the contract.

(Resolution Attached) Cummings-Aye, Rooney -Aye, Mayrose-Aye, Baran-Aye, York-Aye
Carried Unanimously

Approval- Veterans Park Use:

A motion was made by Councilman Mayrose, seconded by Councilman Baran approving the use of Veterans Park by the Celebration Committee for the fireworks on July 3rd.

Cummings-Aye, Rooney -Aye, Mayrose-Aye, Baran-Aye, York-Aye Carried Unanimously

Approval – Veterans Park Use:

A motion was made by Councilman Rooney, seconded by Councilman York approving the use of Veterans Park by the Tonawanda Indian Baptist Church as a partner with the Akron Celebration Committee to use the park shelter for a food stand during the July 3rd fireworks.

Cummings-Aye, Rooney-Aye, Mayrose-Aye, Baran-Aye, York-Aye Carried Unanimously

Approval- Recreation Attendant Appointments:

A motion was made by Councilman Mayrose, seconded by Councilman York approving the proposed list of appointments for employment for Recreation Attendants for the Summer 2013 session as approved by the Recreation Director and the Recreation Board.

Cummings-Aye, Rooney -Aye, Mayrose-Aye, Baran-Aye, York-Aye Carried Unanimously

It was discussed and decided that at the next work session the Board will consider Akron Police Chief Rick Lauricella's request to add another police officer on court nights.

Question Period – no one spoke

There being no further business to come before the board a motion was made by Councilman Mayrose, seconded by Councilman York to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:30pm.

Carried Unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,
Dawn D. Izydorcak, Town Clerk