

Newstead Town Board Meeting- July 11, 2011

A regular meeting was called to order by the Newstead Town Board on Monday, July 11, 2011 at 8:00pm 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
Dawn Izydorzak- 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 June 27, 2011 were presented for approval. A motion was made by Councilman Mayrose, seconded by Councilman Baran to approve as presented.
Carried Unanimously

Communications – The Town Clerk presented the following correspondence:

A copy of the Hearts & Hands summer newsletter and 2010 Annual Report was received.

A letter from Time Warner Cable notifying the town of the programmers they are currently under negotiations with for continued or new service.

A letter from Justice Freeman requesting authorization to attend Justice training in July at Potsdam and the Magistrates and Court Clerks annual meeting in September in Niagara Falls.

A letter from the Weinberg Campus to Disaster Coordinator Glenn Joachimiak informing him that the town was awarded a laptop computer for emergency coordinators use on emergency preparedness business. The laptop has been delivered to the town hall for logging into inventory and IT updates.

The Quarterly Report for April 1 – June 30, 2011 was received from Allied Waste reporting 1,858 +/- residential units collected with 443.70 tons of solid waste and 71.39 tons of co-mingled recyclables collected.

The June 2011 Operations Report and semi-annual report were received from Amherst Central Fire Alarm Office reporting 35 calls for Akron Fire Co and 34 calls for Newstead Fire Co.

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 no work session was held last week due to the holiday. Work session items before tonight's meeting were: water districts issues, building projects updates, planning issues, murder creek project, airport issues, grants, personnel issues, and any other issues brought before the board. An executive session was held before the meeting from 7:45-8:00pm to discuss 3 separate personnel issues.

Privilege of the Floor – Dale Cheavacci of 113 John St stated that his backyard has finally dried up but now the Lutheran Churches property is all wet still. He also stated the service road to the tunnel currently has water across it and the lower bowl is still wet as well and it has been several days since we have had any rain. He suggested that maybe the town should hire an independent study to be done on the airport. All the water is coming down hill.

Supervisor Cummings stated he has walked that area recently and seen how wet it is.

Budget Transfers: A motion was made by Councilman Mayrose, seconded by Councilwoman Esposito to approve the budget transfer per the memo from Bookkeeper Colleen Salmon dated 7/11/11. Carried Unanimously

Approval of Bills – Councilwoman Esposito reported that the Abstract from Batch(es) #1080 from the June 27, 2011 meeting has been reviewed with the previously un-audited vouchers and everything was found in order. She presented Abstract Batch(es) #1084 & 1085. Vouchers on this abstract numbered from 710 - 775, totaling \$588,976.50 and were presented by Councilwoman Esposito, seconded by Councilman Baran to approve payment as follows:

Abstract Batches #1084 & 1085:

General Fund (A) -\$20,617.93, General Fund- Outside Village (B) \$46.62, Highway (DA) -\$0, Highway: Outside Village (DB) \$134,926.41, Capital Projects: CAP- Highway Garage- (HG) - \$356,529.45, CAP-Murder Creek (HM) \$39.95, CAP- Town Hall Addition (HT) \$344.75, CAP- Water Improvement (HW)- \$29,405.25, Drainage (SD)- \$0, Fire Protection (SF) \$5,301.24, Refuse (SR) \$31,920.06, Sewer Fund (SS) \$0, Sewer District #2 (SS02)- \$0, Trust & Agency(TA)- \$3,320.00 and Water Districts Consolidated(SW00) \$6,524.84, (SW1) \$0, (SW2) \$0, (SW3) \$0, (SW4) \$0, (SW5) \$0, (SW6) \$0, (SW7) \$0, (SW7A) \$0, (SW8) \$0, (SW9) \$0, (SW10) \$0
Total: \$588,976.50 Carried Unanimously

COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Highway – Mike thanked the Akron Soccer League for their help and materials in getting the Town Park ready for the July 4th festivities. They did a great job cleaning up after all the events as well. He attended the joint facility construction meeting today and then did a walk thru of the facility

Assessor – nothing to report

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

Jim Ebersole	12459 Clarence Center	Patio roof
Barbara Ucci	Jones	Driveway
David Morehouse	11326 Miland	Fireplace
Jack Nervo	11878 Clarence Center	Roof
Brett Burtner	6847 Sandhill	Roof
Ronald Tyx	11184 Main	Roof
Haether Cayea	11238 Hunts Corners	A.G. Pool & Deck
Martha Martin	11406 Howe	Mudroom
Matthew Karcher	13146 Carney	One family home

The Town Board accepted the report as presented.

Town Clerk- nothing at this time

Attorney for the Town – nothing at this time

COUNCILPERSONS:

Rooney – He thanked the celebration committee and all the volunteers for their work on the July 4th celebration. He stated that all their hard work does not go unnoticed.

Esposito – She reported that summer recreation has started and everything is running well with attendance up this year.

Mayrose – He attended the Wednesday joint facility committee meetings the last several weeks with representatives from both the town and village and progress is being made on the move in details.

Baran – the library work is complete and bills have been turned over to the insurance company. The Denio work is done except for the side door replacement.

SUPERVISOR – He extended a thank you to the church group for all their assistance this year.

He reported that a meeting is to be scheduled with Allied Waste to discuss the dramatic increase in garbage complaints the town has been receiving lately. The joint facility punch-list items are being addressed and they are getting ready to set a move in date. The Association of Erie County Governments has a meeting coming up on the Counties proposals for new ways to fund the libraries.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Water Districts – the testing last weekend went well on Cummings Rd. they have a meeting with ECWA to discuss the findings of the tests. On the new waterline project they are waiting for agency comments.

Shared Public Works Facility Project – highway crews will be paving the entire site next week.

Murder Creek Project – final FEMA approval for the construction phase was received today. We can now award the bids and begin work once contracts are in place.

Akron Airport – will be the main topic at work session next week

NEW BUSINESS:

Approval- Roof Replacement- Senior Center:

A motion was made by Councilman Baran, seconded by Councilman Mayrose authorizing the award of bid to R and A Construction for replacement of the Senior Center roof in the amount of \$18,020.00 and authorizing the Supervisor to execute the contract.

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

Approval- Closeout of Town Hall Project:

A motion was made by Councilman Mayrose, seconded by Councilman Baran authorizing the close out of the Town Hall Addition project, determining that all work has been completed and all contractors have been paid in full and the a final Certificate of Occupancy has been issued.

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

Approval- Award of Murder Creek Project:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Esposito, seconded by Councilman Mayrose awarding the following contracts for the Murder Creek Bank Stabilization Project: Lower Bank- Bid A- Eastwood Industries, Inc. in the amount of \$292,672.50; Upper Bank- Bid B- CATCO in the amount of \$221,105.00; Alternate 1- CATCO in the amount of \$5,000; Alternate 2- CATCO in the amount of \$5,000; subject to the terms set forth in the resolution and authorizing the Supervisor to execute the contracts.

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

Approval- APEX Contract- Murder Creek:

A motion was made by Councilman Rooney, seconded by Councilman Mayrose approving the proposed contract with Apex Consulting for the Murder Creek project construction phase in an amount not to exceed \$66,900.

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

Approval- Justice Training Request:

A motion was made by Councilman Mayrose, seconded by Councilman Baran approving the training request for Justice Freeman to attend training sessions in July at Potsdam and in September at Niagara Falls.

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

The Board will have a joint meeting with the Village of Akron Board immediately following this meeting at the Village Hall.

Question Period – Dale Cheavacci of 113 John St questioned in what area the Supervisor had walked. Supervisor Cummings stated he walked the short loop not the far loop during the daytime.

There being no further business to come before the board a motion was made by Councilman Mayrose, seconded by Councilwoman Esposito to adjourn the meeting at 8:36pm.

Carried Unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,
Dawn D. Izydorzak, Town Clerk