

Newstead Town Board Meeting- August 22, 2005

A Regular Meeting was called to order by the Newstead Town Board on Monday, August 22, 2005 at the Newstead Town Hall at 8:00PM.

Present: Gerald F. Summe, Supervisor
Tom George- Councilman
Harold Finger- Councilman
Mark Decker- Councilman
Dale Kruschke- Highway Superintendent
Rebecca Baker- Assessor
Christine Falkowski- Building Administrator
Andrew Casolini- Town Engineer
Nathan Neill- Town Attorney
Dawn D. Izydorczak- Town Clerk
Kathleen Lang- Deputy Town Clerk

Roll Call was taken with all board members present except Councilman Chaffee who is still in the hospital. The Supervisor reported he has visited with Scott and he is making progress.

Assessor Rebecca Baker led the pledge to the flag.

Minutes from the previous regular board meeting held on August 8, 2005 were presented for approval. A motion was made by Councilman George, seconded by Councilman Finger as presented.
Carried

Communications – The Town Clerk presented the following:

Water Sampling Reports were received from Midstate Environmental Labs for Water Districts #1 & #3 with all levels being within acceptable ranges.

A fax notification from the NYS Comptrollers office was received regarding a DRAM advisory that has been issued to all NYS public entities by the Attorney General's office. The advisory notice deals with litigation pending for a claim of damages and a request to preserve purchase records for all computer and computer equipment purchases from 1999 thru June of 2002. DRAM refers to Dynamic Random Access Memory products.

A fax transmission from the Town Board of Brant regarding their passage of a resolution of support of the Erie County Sheriff's Patrols, but at no additional cost to the local municipalities.

A Notice of Order was received from the NYS DOT notifying the Town, the County, and the Sheriffs and State Police of the reduction of speed limit from 55 mph on Route 93 (Buell Street) from Main Road to Skyline Drive to 45 mph effective immediately.

A fax transmission from the Town Board of Alden regarding their passage of a resolution requesting support in creating a library district in their town to fund a non-town owned library.

A fax transmission from the Town Board of Elma regarding their passage of a resolution of support of the Erie County Sheriff's Patrols, but at no additional cost to the local municipalities.

A notice from the Erie County Dept. of Environment & Planning announcing a household hazardous waste drop off on September 10, 2005 at the Honeywell Specialty Materials Co. at 20 Peabody Street in Buffalo from 9:00am – 2:00pm. Additional information can be obtained by calling 858-6800.

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

Work Session: Supervisor Summe reported that at the work session held August 15th the following issues were discussed: excavation & topsoil removal, WD#6 boundary issues, WD#10 issues, Water tank issues, water station placement & hook-up of Newstead Fire Hall, communication from MRB

Group, RFP joint facility study, park rules & dogs on the bike path, and dog complaints and enumeration.

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Privilege of the Floor – No one spoke

Approval of Bills -Councilman Decker reported that the Abstract from Batch #419 & 420 from the August 8, 2005 meeting has been reviewed with the previously UN-audited vouchers and everything was found in order. He presented Abstract Batch #423. Vouchers on these abstracts numbered #893-928, totaling \$70,845.12 and were presented for payment approval by Councilman Decker, seconded by Councilman Finger to approve payment.

Abstract Batch 423:

General Fund (A) -\$8,351.42, Fund (B) \$201.39, Highway (DA) -\$0, Highway: Outside Village (DB) \$35,423.52, Capital Projects: CAP-WD#10 (HI)- \$232.28, Town Hall (HK)- \$5,783.15, Highway Garage (HG)- \$0, Fire Protection (SF) \$0, Refuse (SR) \$20,703.12, Sewer Fund (SS) \$21.22, Sewer District #2 (SS02)- \$74.03, and Water Districts (SW1) \$20.00, (SW2) \$0, (SW3) \$34.99, (SW4) \$0, (SW5) \$0, (SW6) \$0, (SW7) \$0, (SW7A) \$0, (SW8) \$0, (SW9) \$0, (SW10) \$0, Trust & Agency(TA)- \$0 Totaling \$70,845.12.

Carried

COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Highway –Superintendent Kruschke reported that drainage projects on Brucker and McNeeley roads are complete. The cross culvert jobs are almost complete. They will be working on the paving needed to complete the handicapped entrance ramp at the Town Hall this week. The Village of Akron striped the Newstead Library parking lot while they were doing the Village Hall lot. Supervisor Summe congratulated the Highway Department for an excellent job on the drainage and culvert projects.

Assessor –Mrs. Baker reported that one of the small claims cases has been dropped with the other case scheduled in September. She also forwarded the DRAM Notice the Town Clerk received to Ken our IT consultant.

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

Golden Pond Estates	Lot #103	Roof
Walter Duft	11063 Clarence Center	Shed
Golden Pond Estates	Lot #109	Roof
Golden Pond Estates	Lot #127	Roof
Joseph Rotundo	5814 Barnum	Addition
Jacqueline Bald	5228 Crittenden	Addition
Charles Genovese	5835 Davison	Pole barn
Edward Seifert	7053 Draper	One Family Home
Tobias Schrock	8249 Greenbush	Pipe permit
Andy Bower	7767 Berghorn	Excavation permit

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

Carried

Town Clerk- Web page hits are for July-83 and current August-177. Fall newsletter is on hold as no information has been received to date for its printing. The town should know by the end of this week if our residents will be using paper ballots to vote on in the Primary election on Tuesday, September 13th. She is awaiting word from the Board of Elections on this issue. This evening she removed the signage on the doors at old town hall.

Attorney for the Town – Nothing at this time. Supervisor questioned if we have a closing date for the old town hall yet. There is no closing date scheduled at this time. The attorneys are still working on items to complete.

