

## **Minutes of the Regular Scheduled Town Board Meeting on July 24, 2012**

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Connell at 7:00 p.m.

The Assembly was led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present on a roll call were:

Councilman Tyler  
Councilman Paquette  
Councilman Sherman  
Supervisor Connell

Members absent:

Councilman McCormick - Excused

Others present:

Sheila Borden, Town Clerk  
George Hainer, Zoning and Codes Officer  
Dennis Westover, DPW Superintendent  
James Herrmann, Nancy Page, Gordon Blanchard, Gerald Goulet

### **RESOLUTION #151 APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On a motion by Councilman Tyler seconded by Councilman Sherman and approved on a roll call vote.

4 Ayes Tyler, Paquette, Sherman, Connell  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2012 Regular Board meeting as received.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**YOUTH COMMISSION** – Director Lee has submitted a new registration application for Board approval. It would be submitted one time only by parents to cover all programs. This has been reviewed with the Insurance Agent who recommends that applications should be filed each time there is a program as changes do occur within families.

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**RESOLUTION #152**  
**FILE APPLICATIONS WITH EACH YC PROGRAM**

On a motion by Councilman Tyler seconded by Councilman Sherman and approved on a roll call vote.

4 Ayes Tyler, Paquette, Sherman, Connell  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** that as per the advice of the Insurance Agent that every time there is a youth commission program the parents must fill out a new application.

Councilman Sherman reported that the summer program is continuing and there is about two weeks left. The committee is continuing to work on the budget.

**TAX COMMITTEE** – They have nothing to report as they are working on a draft.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**SIDEWALK BIDS**

The Clerk opened the Sidewalk Bids as follows:

Gordon Blanchard, Willsboro, NY	\$15,750
Steven E. Fuller Excavating, Keeseville NY	\$16,250
Luck Brothers, Plattsburgh, NY	\$9,800
A. J. Catalfamo Construction, Hudson Falls, NY	\$18,300

**RESOLUTION #153**  
**SIDEWALK BIDS**

On a motion by Councilman Sherman seconded by Councilman Tyler and approved on a roll call vote.

4 Ayes Tyler, Paquette, Sherman, Connell  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to have the DPW Superintendent and the Supervisor review and check the bids to see if they meet the specs and then award the bid to the lowest one that meets the specifications.

**WOODBILER** – At the next meeting there will be information to take action on.

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**WADHAMS WATER** – We are working on the application to close the project.

**HIGHWAY GARAGE**

**OIL WATER SEPARATOR** – It is recommended that we accept the bid we received for \$20,281.

**RESOLUTION #154**

**OIL WATER SEPARATOR BID**

On a motion by Councilman Sherman seconded by Councilman Tyler and approved on a roll call vote.

4 Ayes      Tyler, Paquette, Sherman, Connell  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to accept the bid from Environmental & Fueling Systems in the amount of \$20,281.00 and authorize the Supervisor to sign the contract and to transfer the needed funds from the sidewalk account to the garage account.

**UPDATE ON GARAGE BUILDING** – We are still waiting to hear back from the Fire District.

**TOWN HALL BUILDING UPDATE** – The Committee has been through the RFP's and will be making a recommendation to the Town Board.

**HAMLET EXPANSION PROJECT** – They are still working on the wording.

**CEMETERY-OLD ARSENAL ROAD** – Councilman Sherman will be taking a walk through the property in the near future.

**WORMAN ROAD PUMP STATION** – Has gone out to bid and they will be opened on August 14<sup>th</sup>.

**WESTPORT REVITALIZATION PROJECT** – On June 12, 2012 you authorized the Supervisor under Resolution #125 to sign a contract with Camoin for the Revitalization Project but at this time Supervisor Connell is asking that the same resolution be rescinded and that Supervisor Connell is authorized to sign a contract with Riverstreet pending approval by the Department of State.

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**RESOLUTION #155**  
**REVITALIZATION CONTRACT WITH RIVERSTREET**

On a motion by Councilman Tyler seconded by Councilman Sherman and approved on a roll call vote.

4 Ayes Tyler, Paquette, Sherman, Connell  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to rescind Resolution #125 dated 6/12/2012 and authorize us to enter into a contract with Riverstreet pending approval by the Department of State for the Westport Revitalization Project.

**FORESTRY PRESENTATION** – This was tabled from last meeting. No decision was made as yet and more information will be gathered.

**RESOLUTION #156**  
**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

On a motion by Councilman Tyler seconded by Councilman Paquette and approved on a roll call vote.

4 Ayes Tyler, Paquette, Sherman, Connell  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to approve the payment of bills on Abstract 7B in the amount of \$31,426.57 for Vouchers 2012-418 through 2012-435.

**DPW SUPERINTENDENT REPORT – DENNIS WESTOVER**

The final connection has been done on the main sewer line at the Huggins property and then we only have some finish work to complete.

The Schwoebel pump station in Wadhams is only 16 months old and in already creating problems. We are going to crate it up and ship it back.

The dump box on the back of Thad's truck is in need of complete replacement. We need to get creative.

**SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS**

A letter was received from the Westport Library Association thanking the Town for the removal of the electrical box on the Library lawn.

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Notification was received from Office of Essex County Treasurer for receipt of the stumpage allocation of \$67.24.

We are off the demand rate on Pump Station #1 due to the efforts of the DPW working on the infiltration problem.

We have been notified that they will be replacing the culvert by Paul Mudie's at some time and when they do they will re-route traffic by way of the Young's Road.

**COUNCILMAN'S COMMENTS**

**RESOLUTION #157**  
**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On a motion by Councilman Tyler seconded by Councilman Sherman and approved on a roll call vote.

4 Ayes Tyler, Paquette, Sherman, Connell  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to enter into Executive Session at 8:05p.m. for the purpose of discussing a particular individual.

**RESOLUTION #158**  
**CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On a motion by Councilman Paquette seconded by Councilman Tyler and approved on a roll call vote.

4 Ayes Tyler, Paquette, Sherman, Connell  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to close Executive Session and return to Regular Session at 8:15 p.m.

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**RESOLUTION #159**  
**DPW SUPERINTENDENT SALARY INCREASE**

On a motion by Councilman Tyler with a unanimous second it was agreed to abide by their previous agreement that after six months to increase the DPW Superintendents salary by \$1,000 retroactive to July 1, 2012.

**RESOLUTION #160**  
**ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by Councilman Tyler with a unanimous second the meeting was adjourned at 8:27p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted  
Sheila A. Borden, Town Clerk