

**TOWN OF DEERPARK
TOWN BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 4, 2008**

Meeting was held at Town Hall, 420 Route 209, Huguenot, New York 12746

Attendance:

Supervisor: Gary Flieger

Councilmember's: Viola Sinsabaugh, Robert Cunningham, Karl Brabenec, and Liam O'Neill (7:05pm)

Also In Attendance:

Attorney: Glen Plotsky

Call to Order 7:00PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion to approve minutes

Motion made by Robert Cunningham, 2nd by Karl Brabenec, to approve the minutes of Meetings, July 7, 14, 2008.

VOTE: 4 AYES: Robert Cunningham, Karl Brabenec, Viola Sinsabaugh and Gary Flieger

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to pay bills

Motion made by Gary Flieger, 2nd by Viola Sinsabaugh, to pay the bills that contain the signature or initials of at least three councilmember's in the approval for payment section of the voucher or purchase order.

VOTE: 4 AYES: Robert Cunningham, Karl Brabenec, Viola Sinsabaugh and Gary Flieger

MOTION CARRIED

General Fund Abstract # 13 Voucher #'s 447-481 in the amount of \$166,177.12

Highway Fund Abstract # 13 Voucher #'s 214-230 in the amount \$96,625.78

Public Comment-3 Minutes, Agenda Items only:

George Lombardi: The water test thing, you can't drink the water in Town Hall, but I thought about a year or so ago that the Board was going to bring some kind of system in here so that we could clear that up and drink it, is that happening or not? Is that what this is about? **Gary Flieger:** Yes, this Board here has voted to do the expenditures to it, we're just having a tough time coming up with the money for it, what we did here was, we have a long history of our water testing where the levels aren't too high, but they are too high for drinking and what we did this year is we put a maintenance program in for our water, all we're doing is we're flushing out systems, we're sterilizing and we did it for here, Space Park and Building #2. It should be done on any building, but it's even more important to do it in a public building, we should have a maintenance program in place to do. **George Lombardi:** Are you talking about putting Clorox in the wells? **Gary Flieger:** It's not Clorox it's a tablet, it's a regular sterilizing tablet that's meant for that, and we put the three buildings on a maintenance program. **George Lombardi:** Okay, you've done that so has it been tested to see if you can drink it yet? **Gary Flieger:** Yes and we got the tests back for Board of Health and it's coming back clear, but the Board of Health doesn't accept the fact that it's coming back clear, they want many layers of protection in there, so we would still have to put the UV light on and since we have such a history they probably even want chlorinated water in here. **George Lombardi:** I think that's what the other board talked about, some kind of system to put in here. **Gary Flieger:** Right, it's a UV light, it's run us roughly about \$3,000 for the light, and right now we haven't done that. **George Lombardi:** My point is that someone might come in here and unknowingly drink out of that water fountain, I almost did it once.

Louise Vandemark: I see you're going into executive session about litigation so I know you can't make comments back but the last meeting I attended you spoke about governing by law suits and that upset me a little bit; well I just want to tell you be very careful with what you settle because it might bring other law suits if you admit that you did something wrong and you're going to have 21 other people that are going to be eligible to sue the town. Thank you.

Correspondence:

Letter from Girl Scouts:

Karl Brabenec read the letter.

Letter from Sparrowbush United Methodist Church

Flo Santini read the letter.

Motion to allow Girl Scouts to use Building #2

Motion made by Karl Brabenec, 2nd by Gary Flieger, to allow the Girl Scouts to use Building # 2 on Thursday nights from 4:00pm-6:00pm and also that they be allowed to plant the flowers at Building #2.

VOTE: 4 AYES: Robert Cunningham, Karl Brabenec, Viola Sinsabaugh and Gary Flieger

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New Business:

Orange County Community Development Grant Inspection:

Gary Flieger: What this is, is when we applied for this grant it had three different projects on it and we have moved on to the next step where they have accepted our application, and Ed and I went on tour with a bus load of people that represent the County on this and we visited each of the sites and went over them. So that is moving along pretty good.

Old Business:

Deerpark Farms LLC Property:

Gary Flieger: Where we're at with that is it has moved into a vote this coming Thursday in Goshen, and if you have any opinion about please call the County Legislator's and let them know how you feel about it.

Contracts for Orange County Law Records Management Project:

Gary Flieger: The contracts came through, we had some language barriers on it and we managed to get those straightened out and they are signed and sent back in, Mr. Bavoso's office is handling that for us.

Department Head/Committee Reports:

Ed Hughson: Gave a monthly report which is attached to the minutes.

Norma Schadt: Gave a monthly report which is attached to the minutes.

Flo Santini: A few weeks ago the Town Board gave me permission to do my September 11th donation letters and I haven't gotten to the food establishments yet, but I did start sending letters out, I had called the Military Academy at West Point to check on the Color Guard, every year I fill an application out for what I would like, even though I ask for multiple things I always get the Color Guard, which I'm very happy with, I got three phone calls on Wednesday, the first was that we were approved for the Brass Quintet with a Bugler to play taps, then an hour later I got a call saying that we were approved for the Color Guard, and then an hour after that I got the call that we were approved for a Rifle Party to do a 21 Gun Salute, so all of that will be here on September 11th for the Service and I just wanted to impress again on how important this day is for everyone here, especially the town because of the service that we hold, and for the community. I sent out invitations all over, Orange County, Sullivan County, Pike County, New Jersey, everywhere. Steve Sacco was in the office that day so he put a blurb in the paper because I said that the Board gave me permission to ask for donations. This morning one of our Deerpark Residents walked in and gave \$175.00 to pay for the bows and ribbons, her son is on his third tour in Iraq, and she said the Town will be decorated as it's been decorated in the past. We set up an account with Laurel Grove so that we wouldn't have to open another account at the bank for this; so Steve put that in the paper so donations are starting to go to Laurel Grove, and Laurel Grove is already starting to work on the bows. I'd also like to get permission to accept these donations and to accept the food donations when they come so I don't have to come back again.

Motion to accept donations

Motion made by Gary Flieger, 2nd by Karl Brabenec, to accept all the donations from the florist and food donations, and any other donations we may receive.

VOTE: 5 AYES: Robert Cunningham, Karl Brabenec, Liam O'Neill, Viola Sinsabaugh and Gary Flieger

MOTION CARRIED

Karl Brabenec: Gave the Building Inspectors monthly report.

Public Comment: 5 minutes-any subject:

George Lombardi: I want to thank Ed for taking care of those trees in the Grove on the beach, I brought that up over two years ago and nothing was ever done, I asked Ed last Friday and he got it done already.

Lee Space: I would just like to see an effort made to straighten up the front of the building before the 9/11 Service, there's a shutter missing, that column needs to be painted, there were so many people here that day and now it doesn't look too good. I'd just like to see an effort made to get it cleaned up.

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Councilmember's Closing Comments:

Karl Brabenec: The Community Development Task Force Committee, I haven't gotten together yet with Flo but I do know that there were some letters that did come in, I should have a list of names for the Board by the next meeting. Second, Noel our Webmaster is on vacation for a week so the website won't be updated until he gets back. Last, I know we changed the name of Basha Drive, I know they wanted to do some kind of road dedication ceremony and usually the town board does a quick special meeting to dedicate the road, so I wondering if we wanted to do something toward the end of August for that.

Liam O'Neill: Two weeks ago we passed a resolution regarding no overtime, I think we should, I don't know if it would be appropriate to amend that section or do something else nearby it in the Personnel Policy, I think we should have something that addresses this issue of stretch time; I guess there have been a couple of instances this year where there was a duty that the Building Inspector had to attend to on the weekend and so I think it would be appropriate then to have some sort of terminology about stretch time where you could say you have to come in during that time because it's your duty but if it takes three hours and you log three hours there, with the approval of the Supervisor and the Town Board, you can come in a little later some other day or something like that. **Gary Flieger:** I think you're on the right path and I think there needs to be a discussion about this and I have several questions about it that I would like to have answered, but I think I'd like to do it at another time. **Liam O'Neill:** Yea, I'm just kind of raising the issue, I was thinking of contacting the lawyers by myself and taking a stab at this but I thought I'd bring it up here first, just so that everyone is on the same page, but certainly I think we need a workshop soon. **Karl Brabenec:** I would think setting up a workshop to look at the whole document, because I know there's a couple of things that we could look at, I know there are certain things in that policy that are kind of iffy, but a workshop would definitely be good.

Motion to enter Executive Session 7:50PM

Motion made by Gary Flieger, 2nd by Liam O'Neill, to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing litigation on Dubois, Cassas & Sullivan, litigation on Leith, and a specific matter of personnel, and to invite the Town Attorney and John Walsh from the Insurance Company.

VOTE: 5 AYES: Robert Cunningham, Karl Brabenec, Liam O'Neill, Viola Sinsabaugh and Gary Flieger

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to end Executive Session 11:06PM

Motion made by Robert Cunningham, 2nd by Karl Brabenec, to end Executive Session and re-enter Regular Session.

VOTE: 5 AYES: Robert Cunningham, Karl Brabenec, Liam O'Neill, Viola Sinsabaugh and Gary Flieger

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to set workshop

Motion made by Robert Cunningham, 2nd by Liam O'Neill, to set a workshop for August 11, 2008 at 7:00PM at Town Hall to go into Executive Session to discuss litigation regarding Leith vs. Town of Deerpark.

VOTE: 5 AYES: Robert Cunningham, Karl Brabenec, Liam O'Neill, Viola Sinsabaugh and Gary Flieger

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to adjourn 11:06PM

Motion made by Robert Cunningham, 2nd by Karl Brabenec, to adjourn the meeting.

VOTE: 5 AYES: Robert Cunningham, Karl Brabenec, Liam O'Neill, Viola Sinsabaugh and Gary Flieger

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted by,

Florence T. Santini
Town Clerk