

On Monday, June 9, 2008, the Preble Town Board held its regular monthly meeting. The meeting was called to order by the Supervisor, Betty Ann Pitman, with the salute to the flag at 8:00

Board members present: Jim Doring, Tom Fox, Peter Knapp, and Dave Morse, Councilmen..

Others present: Don Armstrong, Jeff Griswold, Debra & Ken Brock, William Luety, Anne Henderson, Calvin Griswold.

### CORRECTIONS/APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

**Motion made by Peter Knapp, seconded by Jim Doring**  
**RESOLUTION #35: To accept the May 12, 2008 meeting minutes as submitted**  
**Jim Doring(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Tom Fox(aye) Dave Morse(aye)**

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**DOG CONTROL:** No report received

**JUSTICE REPORT:** -\$15,820. submitted to the Town of Preble for May

**HIGHWAY REPORT:**

**Roads:**

- The Town cleanup went well. Finished on May 14<sup>th</sup>
- Cortlandville swept the residential areas
- Jeff measured Campbell Road from the dead end out. Measured approximately 1,740 feet to the tree with the ribbons on it. (That would equate to approximately \$630.00 a year in lost CHIPS aid. The town gets \$1,885 per mile)
- Jeff sent Mark Grainer from DOT an e-mail regarding the site distance and skew of Currie Road spur. He wants to make sure the DOT is comfortable with the layout with increased traffic.
- The town received over 10 loads of grindings from the County from Steger Road

Currently working on the Cold Brook side of Preble Hill Rd.

**Equipment:**

- The County is considering upgrading radios. At this time most of ours meet the new specs.

**Shop:**

- The chains on the 1<sup>st</sup> bay's overhead door rotted off at the attaching point. The bottom corners had to be upgraded as old parts are not available. Safety cables were also installed as the springs were stretched out.

**Other:**

- Jeff stated that Highway School went well. Some of the class subjects were: improved ditch management, MUTCD overview, Workplace Violence Prevention, Recommendations from the Commission, Using OGS (State Bid) to get what you want.
- Jeff is asking permission to attend the Fall Superintendent's Conference.

**RECREATION:** -No report

**COUNTY LEGISLATURE:** -John is absent

### **ZONING & CODE ENFORCEMENT:**

**May Report**

- 3 building permits
- Construction Value \$30,000.
- Fees assessed: \$225.
- 2 pending
- 2 Certificates of Occupancy issued
- 1 30-day violation notice issued
- 21 telephone inquiries

**PLANNING BOARD:** -Meeting June 26th @7:00.

**HISTORIAN** -Anne stated everything is going well for the Bicentennial celebration being held July 5<sup>th</sup>. The book is ready for the printer.

**TOWN CLERK:** -\$502.00 - fees collected in May. Disbursed \$15.27 to CC Treasurer; \$3.00 to Ag & Markets, \$17.95 to NYS DEC and \$465.78 to Elizabeth Pitman, Supervisor.

**DON ARMSTRONG:** -

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**Agricultural & Farmland Protection Plan** - Peter stated that there was a meeting a week ago. There were 8 applications of which 3 highest ranked were picked: First, David Griswold of Preble with 1000 acres, second, Larry Jones of Homer and third, Doug Riehlman of Preble. Elinor Currie's farm was on the list. The Homer-Scott group will meet later.

**Highway Garage** - Betty Ann contacted Bernie Thoma regarding a grant and there are no funds available. Suggestion to possibly pursue a Development Loan, they may put in some grant money, but Mr. Thoma stated that a loan from a local bank which have a lower interest rate. Don explained the necessary procedures for transferring reserve funds. The cost of the building is \$500,000 to \$600,000. The Board suggests that Jeff have Steve McElwain make more detailed plans so they will know just exactly what monies are needed.

**Motion made by Peter Knapp, seconded by Dave Morse**  
**RESOLUTION #36: To have Steve McElwain proceed to complete specific building plans for the highway garage.**  
**Jim Doring(aye) Tom Fox(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye)**

**Landscaping for walkway** -Debbie Brock has received a packet to be completed for the grant from the state. She will meet with the Garden Club and hopefully have the project done by the July 5<sup>th</sup> celebration. She mentioned that Little York Plantation will need ½ down and sign a contract. Peter will get a verbal quote from Watson's of LaFayette because of the Procurement Policy. It is Peter's suggestion that Debbie Brock be the contact person.

**Motion made by Tom Fox, seconded by Dave Morse**  
**RESOLUTION #37: To approve the \$1800. payment to Little York Plantation or Watson's**  
**Jim Doring(aye) Tom Fox(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye)**

**Motion made by Peter Knapp, seconded by Tom Fox**  
**RESOLUTION #38: To appoint Debbie Brock as the contact person for the Landscaping project**  
**Jim Doring(aye) Tom Fox(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye)**

**Motion made by Tom Fox, seconded by Dave Morse**  
**RESOLUTION #39: To authorize the Supervisor, Betty Ann Pitman, to complete the necessary forms for the grant for the landscaping project.**  
**Jim Doring(aye) Tom Fox(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye)**

**Time Warner** - Contract is up in September. They have advised us that they cannot provide roadrunner to us at no charge but they will check out the collections from the town residents and perhaps be able to give a percentage to the Town.

**Tower - Bob Duell** -No correspondence received.

**Campbell Road** - Jeff has measured the road. Peter suggested that Jeff go talk with Mr. Campbell - Tabled.

### NEW BUSINESS

**Post Office rent check received** - \$512.50

**Check from NYMIR** - \$675.00

**State of NY Children & Family Services** - Check received for \$500.00

**Preble Hotel - Frog Pull** - A letter has been received from Edgar Fish stating that the Frog Pull will be held June 21<sup>st</sup>.

**E-Mail from Humane Society of the United States** -Regarding Frog Pull

**Notice of Violation from DEC** - The use of a burn barrel to dispose of refuse generated at Barber & DeLine's facility.

**NIMS - Update on National Incident Management System** - A letter received updating the requirements for the National Incident Management System and requesting a POC (point of contact) person. The Board agreed for Betty Ann to be the POC. Notification will be sent to them.

**E-mail - Dawn Lewis: Re: Burn barrels** - Peter read Dawn's e-mail to the Board.

**Permits** - Permits are necessary for the July 4<sup>th</sup> Fireworks and the Cortland Antique Auto Show in September

**Motion made by Peter Knapp, seconded by Dave Morse**

**RESOLUTION #40: To grant permits for the July 4<sup>th</sup> Fireworks being held on July 3<sup>rd</sup>, rain date of July 6<sup>th</sup>, and the Cortland Antique Auto Club Show being held on September 14th**

**Jim Doring(aye) Tom Fox(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye)**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Jeff Griswold** commented on a brochure from NYS Commission on **Local Government & Competitiveness**  
**William Luetz** has concerns about whether all phases of the **Manley's Mighty Mart** were thoroughly investigated.  
**Tom Fox** suggests that Ken Teter come to the July meeting regarding Manley's; Betty Ann will contact Mr. Teter.

**APPROVE GENERAL AND HIGHWAY BILLS**

**Motion made by Jim Doring, seconded by Tom Fox**

**RESOLUTION #41: To pay the General Fund Vouchers, Abstract No. 6, Nos. 119 to 144, totaling \$7,034.65**

**Jim Doring (aye) Tom Fox(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye)**

**Motion made by Dave Morse, seconded by Jim Doring**

**RESOLUTION #42: To pay the Highway Fund Vouchers, Abstract No. 6, Nos. 55 to 66, totaling \$7,412,19**

**Jim Doring(aye) Tom Fox(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye)**

There being no further business, Betty Ann asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Dave, seconded by Peter; meeting adjourned at 9:18.

Respectfully submitted,

Unofficial 6/09/2008  
Official 7/14/2008

Jane W. Davenport  
Town Clerk