

On Monday, December 8, 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 8:05

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

Others present: Don Armstrong, Jeff Griswold, John Steger, Dan O'Shea, and Bill Luetz

CORRECTIONS/APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Motion made by Tom Fox, seconded by Peter Knapp
RESOLUTION #72: To accept the November 10, 2008 meeting minutes as submitted
Jim Doring(aye) Tom Fox(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

DOG CONTROL: No report received

JUSTICE REPORT: -\$16,122. submitted to the Town of Preble for November

HIGHWAY REPORT: Roads:

- All sand has been hauled for Truxton
- The main seasonal roads were kept open until December 1st

Equipment:

- Trucks are all running well
- The grader is at Beck's getting some maintenance done.
- Replaced the heater resistor in the Chevy

Shop:

- The first bay has a small leak in the roof

RECREATION: -The Annual Children's Christmas Party was held December 6th at the Fire Station from 2:00 to 6:00.
-The Recreation Committee is having overhead doors installed on the pavilion at the park

COUNTY LEGISLATURE: -The County budget has been passed; up 4.217%
-The River Trail is in need of \$750,000. There are no grants available.
-Regarding the Susquehanna River Basin Commission's letter to the Town of Scott about the daily consumption use of 20 million gallons of water for the natural gas well development project, Betty Ann stated that she has received a letter stating that there are no wells in Cortland County.

ZONING & CODE ENFORCEMENT:

October Report

- No building permits granted
- 1 permit pending
- 2 Certificates of Occupancy issued
- 1 30-day violation notices issued
- 2 pending in court
- 25 telephone inquiries

PLANNING BOARD: -Meeting December 18th @7:00.

HISTORIAN -Absent

TOWN CLERK: -\$276.00 - fees collected in October. Disbursed \$22.32 to CC Treasurer; \$9.00 to NYS Ag & Markets, \$39.68 to NYS DEC, \$22.50 to NYS Dept. of Health, and \$182.50 to Elizabeth Pitman, Supervisor.

DON ARMSTRONG: -

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Highway Garage -Betty Ann stated that the USDA representative, Christina Chamberlain, was unable to attend meeting.. It was mentioned that the interest rate for the grant would be 4.5% for 3 months; Alliance Bank is 3.5% at the present time. Peter stated he would still like to have Christina come to a meeting; Betty Ann will check with her.

Farmland Protection - There is a meeting scheduled for Thursday, January 15, 2009. Peter mentioned that the Tri Town Group (Homer, Scott & Preble) has decided to have American Farmland Trust as the agency to do the grant

work.

Time Warner - A public hearing is necessary before the Supervisor can sign the Time Warner contract.

Motion made by Dave Morse, seconded by Tom Fox
RESOLUTION #73: To hold a Public Hearing to address the Time Warner Contract, a 10-year franchise, on January 12th at 7:45 p.m.
Jim Doring(aye) Tom Fox(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye)

Don will take care of the advertising of the legal notices.

St. Charles Bay Road - There were no residents present from the St. Charles Bay Road.

Campbell Road - There has been no communication. Nothing further until we hear from the Campbell's.

Low Volume Roads - (Minimum maintenance roadways.) Jeff said he would contact the Supervisor of Caroline for some information. John Steger suggested getting in touch with John Daniels, Homer Code Enforcement Officer

Dog Control Contract -Tabled to year-end meeting.

Della Clark Clean-up -Betty Ann was unable to get in touch with the Health Dept. Tom Fox will contact Carrie Butler about Della.

Tower -Each member of the Board was given a copy of the 10-year commitment Intermunicipal Agreement to review. There are a couple of corrections. Don will make corrections and send to Elizabeth Burns, Assistant County Attorney.

Motion made by Dave Morse, seconded by Jim Doring
RESOLUTION #74: To accept the Intermunicipal Agreement, with corrections, with the County of Cortland for the tower. This lease shall commence January 1, 2009 and shall continue until December 31, 2018. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Agreement may be terminated by either party upon one year's written notice.
Jim Doring(aye) Tom Fox(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye)

NEW BUSINESS

Post Office rent check received - \$512.50

County Treasurer - Mortgage Tax check \$9,310.56

Year end meeting - Meeting to be held **December 29th at 1:00**

Letter received regarding Blue Cross/Blue Shield insurance for two highway employees - an increase of 20%

Letter received from the CC Health Department advising that all new building constructions which will have its own septic system and/or water supply well require permits from the Cortland County Health Department.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dan O'Shea remarked that the Jezer application which was forwarded to the County Planning Board has not been acknowledged.

APPROVE GENERAL AND HIGHWAY BILLS

Motion made by Dave Morse, seconded by Jim Doring
RESOLUTION #75: To pay the General Fund Vouchers, Abstract No. 12, Nos. 265 to 289, totaling \$13,260.59
Jim Doring(aye) Tom Fox(aye) Peter Knapp(aye) Dave Morse(aye)

Motion made by Jim Doring, seconded by Tom Fox
RESOLUTION #76: To pay the Highway Fund Vouchers, Abstract No. 12, Nos. 142 to 158, totaling \$19,791.22
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 9:10.

Unofficial 12/08/2008
Official

Respectfully submitted,

Jane W. Davenport
Town Clerk