

Town of Murray Board Meeting Minutes

May 13, 2014

Present: Supervisor John Morriss, Councilpersons Kathy Case, Paul Hendel, Lloyd Christ and Ed Bower, Town Clerk Cindy Oliver, Assessor Lynn Wood, Code Enforcement Officer Ron Vendetti, Attorney Jeff Martin, Stan Kemp, Legislator Ken DeRoller, Richard Downey, Beverly Whiteman

Pledge to the flag.

Motion by Christ, Seconded by Case approving the April meeting minutes as submitted Motion Carried

Legislator DeRoller handed out maps for posting indicating the bridges in the county, listing posted load limits. He is planning on collecting resolutions from the county towns and villages to develop an action plan. Legislator DeRoller also handed out flyers with information on the County Vietnam Era Veterans 5-hour complimentary Charter Fishing Excursion scheduled for June 25th. The Board was also given information pertaining to the Medina Business Park which has NYS Certified Shovel Ready status. Ron Vendetti asked about doing something like this in the Murray Industrial Park. Councilman Hendel stated that the power situation is the problem with doing this in the Murray IDA Park. Legislator DeRoller also handed out a chart of building permits authorized for new single-family residences in the county. The number has dropped significantly since 2003 and we need some stabilization in the county.

Assessor Lynn Wood informed all that the tentative roll was filed on May 1st. The link to the tentative roll is posted on our website. May 27th is grievance day, from 10 AM – NOON, and 6 PM – 8 PM. As of today, there is no one scheduled. The office is still accepting applications for Basic STAR. At last count, there were still 40 people who have not registered yet. On April 22nd an agreement was made with Holley Cold Storage regarding their assessments.

Old Business

Motion by Christ, Seconded by Bower for the Town of Murray to enter into an agreement with Albion Recycling Center for electronics pick-up Motion Carried Jeff will put an agreement together.

Councilmen Bower and Hendel gave a Youth Commission update. Our numbers are down this year, but that is the case everywhere. Last year there were 150 baseball sign-ups and this year there is 82. The commission

is working hard to make sure the kids have somewhere to play. Corporate sponsorships are up. Councilwoman Case questioned with the decline in sign-ups, does the Town still pay the \$4,500 we normally pay? The commission must spend all of the money they receive each year and should not have a balance left.

New Business

Discussion regarding the road repairs that are needed as there is much damage with the severe winter we had. There is CHIPs money the Town will be receiving but this is earmarked for other projects. Motion by Bower, Seconded by Hendel authorizing Supervisor Morriss to sign the agreement with Municipal Solutions on behalf of the Town of Murray to conduct the sale of the bond Motion Carried

Motion by Christ, Seconded by Case authorizing Supervisor Morriss to sign the agreement with Orrick, Herrington and Sutcliffe, LLP as bond counsel for a fee of \$1,500 Motion Carried

Motion by Bower, Seconded by Hendel approving Pay Application No. 8 in the amount of \$52,116.55 and approving Change Order No. 3 for Water District No. 10, Ext. No. 1 Motion Carried

Attorney

Discussion regarding the closing of Water District No. 10, ext. No. 1. Rural Development is inquiring whether we are in a position to close it out by the end of June. The project is substantially complete with restoration taking place now. Can we keep the project open until November to readdress the canal crossing at that time? There would be additional expenses and bond counsel fees. A work meeting was scheduled for May 24th at 8:00 a.m. at the Town Hall to discuss this matter further.

Town Clerk

Receipts for April totaled \$743.25 with \$493.66 going into the general fund. Tax reconciliation has not been completed as Cindy had two returned checks in her last tax deposit. These payments were reversed and she will be able to close out the tax books on Thursday.

Highway and Water Superintendent

Written report submitted to the Board.

Roadside repairs from plow damage is complete. Brush clean up from the December snow and ice storm is still ongoing. Roadside pickups have been done but residents are still bringing brush up to the roadside. The Board was given the results of the Palmyra auction. Ed did not purchase a used pick-up as previously discussed as the prices went way too high for used

trucks compared to what they were and for what we can purchase a new one for. Ed's suggestion is to take the proceeds from the auction, add that with what is left in the budget and possibly purchase a new pick-up. Auction proceeds are \$15,400 plus budget \$19,500 totals \$34,900.

Pilon has completed the water main installation, unless the Board elects to revisit the canal crossing. They are now doing restoration on roadside and lawns, as well as asphalt road crossings and driveways. We have received approval from Orleans County Health Department for the complete Water District No. 10, Ext. No. 1 project.

The Town employee picnic has been scheduled for Wednesday, August 6th. More details to follow. Supervisor Morriss will reserve the pavilion for that evening.

Public Comments

Stan Kemp spoke briefly about parking on the side of public and state roads and the danger this creates. Who would be at fault should a fatality occur when there are cars park on both sides of a road like Rt. 104?

Discussion regarding the water line canal crossing. Water District No. 10, Ext. No. 1 resident Stan Kemp feels the Town should avoid the crossing. If the only reason for the crossing would be for residents to still have access to water should there be a waterline break, then Mr. Kemp doesn't feel it's needed.

Beverly Whiteman asked if anyone knew what is going to be done about the ditch by her house. She has tried to get answers from the State DOT and from Pilon. She asked if Supervisor Morriss could bring this up at the construction meeting. Mr. Kemp said they also need to address the south side of his driveway although he knows they are not finished, he just doesn't want them to forget.

Motion by Case, Seconded by Hendel approving the Supervisor's financial report and that the following bills be paid: Motion Carried

General Fund	Claims 124-156	\$80,649.60
Highway Fund	Claims 93-116	\$42,084.48
Water District No. 1	Claims 35-37	\$805.16
Water District No. 2	Claims 14-18	\$9,638.97
Water District No. 3	Claims 13-16	\$6,206.41
Water District No. 4	Claims 6-7	\$485.70
Water District No. 5	Claims 6-7	\$135.70
Water District No. 6	Claims 20-27	\$8,616.85

Water District No. 7	Claims 7-9	\$691.05
Water District No. 8	Claims 7-8	\$535.70
Water District No. 9	Claims 6-7	\$285.70
Water District No. 10	Claims 15-17	\$82.23
Water District No. 11	Claims 22-28	\$720.21
Water District No. 12	Claims 6-7	\$285.70
Water District No. 13	Claim 7	\$35.70
Water District No. 14	Claim 4	\$163.58
Water District No. 15	Claims 8-9	\$835.70
Water District No. 20	Claims 6-7	\$136.41

Motion by Bower, Seconded by Hendel to enter into executive session to discuss prospective litigation Motion Carried

Board entered into executive session at 8:16 p.m.

Motion by Case, Seconded by Christ to return to regular session at 9:08 p.m. Motion Carried

Motion by Hendel, Seconded by Case authorizing the Town of Murray to pursue an injunction in Orleans County Supreme Court against A&M Automotive if deemed necessary by the Zoning Enforcement office in connection with enforcement proceedings involving 3581 Fancher Rd.

Motion Carried

Motion by Christ, Seconded by Bower to adjourn the meeting Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
