

TOWN OF MARCELLUS
TOWN BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, March 26, 2015

A Workshop Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Marcellus, County of Onondaga, State of New York was held on Thursday, March 26, 2015 in the Town Hall, 24 East Main Street, Marcellus, New York. Those present were:

Mary Jo Paul, Supervisor
Kevin F. O'Hara, Councilor
John Scanlon, Councilor
Karen Pollard, Councilor
Chris Hunt, Councilor

Also present: Jim Gascon, Town Attorney; Don MacLachlan, Highway Superintendent; Phil Coccia, Recreation Director; Joe Durand, Bill Southern, Mike Ossit, Bernie Montgomery, Tom Lathrop, Chris Mallone , Skaneateles Journal; Chuck Paul, Mike Ossit, Susan Dennis, Deputy Town Clerk and Sandy Taylor, Town Clerk.

Supervisor Paul opened the meeting at 7 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

A motion was made by Councilor Scanlon and seconded by Councilor Pollard to amend the agenda by pulling No. 2-Work Day Resolution and adding on No 7 – Recap on the Grants and No 8 – Good Samaritan Letter from Perma that was received today.

Ayes – Pollard, O'Hara, Scanlon, Hunt and Paul Carried

Public Hearing: Community Development Division: The Town Clerk read the Public Notice that was in the Eagle Observer on March 18, 2015. The Supervisor then asked if anyone had anything to say in favor or against the Community Development Grant. No one spoke. She then asked if anyone had any other ideas for the 5-year plan to go along with the grant. The only response was from Phil Coccia, Recreation Director who came up with the following ideas:

1. Renovate Town Hall Bathroom to meet ADA standards and ramp
2. Form a committee to study the establishment of a senior citizen center
3. Form a committee to study transportation needs for the elderly and handicapped
4. Expand handicapped pathways in Marcellus Park
5. Improve Grove restroom to meet ADA guidelines
6. Build a handicapped/senior citizen designated fishing site on Nine Mile Creek

Everyone agreed that these are all very good ideas. Supervisor Paul closed the Public Hearing at 7:15 pm.

The Abstract of Audited Vouchers was given to the Board Members as submitted by the Town Clerk, Abstract #3B as of March 20, 2015 Claims # 141876-141884, 141886-141908, 141918-141938.

	<u>Expenses</u>
General Fund	36,708.35
General Fund – Part Town	3,268.55
Highway – Town Wide	13,073.34

Hydrant Fund	10,273.27
Water District	3,153.32
Trust & Agency	<u>2,357.23</u>
Total	\$68,834.06

Board Members were given copies of the Activity Report as of March 20, 2015.

	<u>Total Revenue</u>	<u>Total Expense</u>
General Fund	272,206.34	963,390.47
General Fund – Part Town	9,114.00	153,502.48
Highway – Town Wide	110,964.04	364,870.92
Highway – Part Town	61,992.32	362,259.55
Fire District	14.26	193,723.50
Hydrant Fund	6.25	10,777.45
Ambulance Fund	23.31	199,473.75
Sewer District	8.92	8,938.44
Water District	21,186.73	100,356.68

Councilor Hunt made a motion seconded by Councilor Scanlon to approve and pay the bills and approve the monthly activity report as of March 20, 2015.

Ayes – Pollard, O’Hara, Scanlon, Hunt and Paul Carried

NYMIR: (New York State Municipal Insurance Reciprocal): Supervisor Paul has been talking with a representative from Eastern Shore Associates about the NYMIR insurance program. This will enable the Town to purchase insurance at a lower rate. After some discussion, it was decided that Supervisor Paul will contact the representative and invite him to a meeting to give more information on the insurance and the rates.

FIRE INSPECTION REPORT: Supervisor Paul read over the inspection report for the Town Hall. John Houser, Codes Officer, will follow up with costs to upgrade the Emergency lighting.

TRASH DAY HAULERLS: Board members were given quotes from four different Trash haulers for the trash days. The haulers are Robinson Roll Off, Morgan, Scanlon and Syracuse Haulers. Don MacLachlan, Highway Superintendent, stated that he has had great service with Scanlon, but hasn’t worked with the other three. The Board Members will look over the quotes and this will be discussed at the April 13, 2015 meeting.

CASH FLOW SHEETS: Lori Petrocci, Bookkeeper, created a cash flow sheet so the Board can get an idea of the cash coming in and going out on a monthly basis. After some discussion it was decided they would like to receive the Cash Flow Sheets monthly.

RECAP ON GRANTS: Don MacLachlan, Highway Superintendent, has been working with Joe Durand from TDK Engineers to get paperwork in on a Grant from the Department of Transportation. This is for the Brewer Road Bridge Replacement Project. Councilor Pollard made a motion seconded by Councilor O’Hara to accept the letter of transmittal from TDK Engineers to apply for grant money from the County and have Don MacLachlan, Highway Superintendent, hand deliver it tomorrow, Friday, March 27, 2015.

Ayes- Pollard, O’Hara, Scanlon, Hunt and Paul Carried

Community Development Grant: Phil Coccia, Recreation Director and John Houser, Codes Officer, have been working on a Community Development Grant. If some of this Grant money is received; they were talking about renovations of the bathrooms for the Stonemill Pavilion and redo the pathways from the Creek Hollow and Stonemill Pavilions. Supervisor Paul made a motion seconded by Councilor O’Hara to approve the application for the Community Development Plan and include a 5-year plan.
Ayes – Pollard, O’Hara, Scanlon, Hunt and Paul Carried

GOOD SAMARITAN LAW: A letter was received today from PERMA regarding “Good Samaritan” legislation for volunteer Firefighters and Ambulance workers when they volunteer at an out-of-district accident scene before an officer in charge accepts their services. Jim Gascon, Town Attorney, is looking into if Marcellus should do this as the Fire Department and Ambulance Service (MAVES) are independent. A copy of the letter is being sent to both the Fire Department and MAVES and this will be discussed at the April 13, 2015 meeting.

Items from the Board:

Supervisor Paul stated that John Houser, Codes Officer, has completed the Marcellus Stormwater Management Plan and it will be turned in on time.

Supervisor Paul received two invitations to upcoming banquets. One for the Fire Department and one for the Marcellus Academic Club. She has offered both the invitations to any of the board members. Councilor Scanlon will be attending the Fire Department Banquet and Supervisor Paul will attend the Marcellus Academic Club banquet.

Items from the Floor

The following is a list of all the projects done at Marcellus Park since 1998. This was submitted by Phil Coccia, Recreation Director.

1. New building, shop storage and office
2. Remodeling office building to recreation office and center
3. New small bathroom located at lower level
4. New small shelter near playground area
5. Yearly replacement, update mowing equipment
6. Yearly replacement, update play equipment
7. Complete repairs and re-servicing of two (2) tennis courts
8. Basketball courts
9. Paving of Stone Mill parking lot
10. Paving of Creek Hollow parking lot
11. Walking trail around park (2 miles)
12. Renovation of stone wall at Grove entrance
13. Repair Creekside erosion

Councilor O’Hara reminded everyone that on Saturday, May 9, 2015, that Pro-Shred will be here at the Town Hall Parking lot from 8:00 am – 12:00 noon. This is for Marcellus residents only. There is no charge to the residents and there is a 5-box limit.

Supervisor Paul reminded everyone that the Town Hall will be closed on Friday, April 3, 2015 in observance of Good Friday.

Bill Southern, asked what the update is on the water testing for the residents on Pleasant Valley Road. The Supervisor stated that John Houser, Codes Officer, is working on that and that the testing would be approximately \$3,000 for all 12 residents testing.

There was some discussion on NYMIR and if the village participates in that program.

Jim Gascon, Town Attorney, stated that he is still waiting to hear from Time Warner on the contract. Bill Southern, asked if the Town gets more back from Time Warner in franchise fees, does that just go onto his personal bill. Supervisor Paul will check into this.

Councilor Pollard made a motion seconded by Councilor Hunt to adjourn the Marcellus Town Board meeting at 8:40 P.M.

Ayes – Pollard, O’Hara, Scanlon, Hunt and Paul

Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Taylor, Town Clerk