

The Bergen Town Board convened in a regular session at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall with Deputy Supervisor Cunningham presiding.

PRESENT:

Deputy Supervisor Donald Cunningham
Councilman Hugh McCartney
" Barry Miller
Councilwoman Rachael Millspaugh

ALSO PRESENT:

Michele M. Smith, Town Clerk
David Roggow, Highway Superintendent
Robert Patterson, ZEO/CEO

ABSENT:

John Specht, Supervisor

OTHER ATTENDEES:

John Murray

PRAYER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

John Murray made a request of the Town Board for a credit card for purchasing building supplies and reimbursement of taxes that he has not received on purchases where tax exemption certificate is not accepted. Town Clerk Smith said that tax cannot be reimbursed per bookkeeper Lori Nelson but will get confirmation. *Councilman McCartney made a motion to approve John Murray to apply for HSBC for maintenance purchases with a credit limit of \$500; Councilman Miller seconded it and it carried by a vote 4-0. Councilman Miller made a motion to approve Town Clerk Smith to apply for HSBC Town credit card with a credit limit of \$3,000; Councilwoman Millspaugh seconded it and it carried by a vote 4-0.*

MINUTES: *Councilwoman Millspaugh made a motion to approve the minutes of the Year End Meeting December 30, 2008; Councilman McCartney seconded it and it carried by a vote 3-0. Councilman Miller abstained. Councilman McCartney made a motion to approve the minutes of the organizational meeting January 3, 2009; Councilwoman Millspaugh seconded it and it carried by a vote 4 -0.*

COMMUNICATIONS:

Annual Zoning/Building Permit Report from Bob Patterson
Proposal for Highway Department system from OKAR Equipment
AOTSNY Information for annual meeting
Selective Insurance claim acknowledgement
Estimate for salt shed repairs from Shamrock Farms Fencing
Claim payment statement from Selective Insurance
Preliminary construction cost estimate from Simbari Design
Engineering Proposal from Picard Engineering
Open House invitation from Liberty Pumps
Rate notification from Time Warner
Programming notification from Time Warner
Letter and contact list from Chatfield Engineers

REPORTS:

BUILDING & ZONING: Bob Patterson requested to have Bill Sovocool reappointed as Electrical Inspector *Councilwoman Millspaugh made a motion to reappoint Bill Sovocool as Electrical Inspector; Councilman Miller seconded and it carried by a vote 4-0.* **Manufactured Housing Park Licenses:** Affordable Great Locations & Hidden Meadows Cooperative Corporation: *Councilman McCartney made a motion to approve the license applications on the recommendation of Officer Patterson that the Parks are in compliance, Councilman Miller seconded it and it carried by a vote of 4 -0.* **Mapledale Estates:** Mr. Ball has submitted his Manufactured Home Park license application, his check for \$250 was returned for insufficient funds. *Councilman McCartney made a motion to withhold the Certificates of Occupancy until he comes in compliance with a letter to be sent for him for payment with a \$50 late fee and \$20 returned check fee, Councilwoman Millspaugh seconded the motion and it carried by a vote of 4-0.* **Jerry Amesbury** has applied for a building permit for his residence on Gilbert Road; he has purchased a manufactured home and is planning to attach it to his home to create more bedrooms Bob told him he had to remove the kitchen and has requested that he get an engineer and contact the Health Department before he will issue a permit. **Liberty Pumps** permit hasn't been closed out but plans to before February 4th.

HIGHWAY Eric Wies with Clark Patterson is requesting a work permit for any open cut road at Jerico and Townline Roads. *Councilman McCartney made a motion authorize Highway Superintendent Roggow to issue a permit for an open cut road when requested by Clark Patterson; Councilwoman Millspaugh seconded it and it carried by a vote 4-0.* **Diesel Fuel Pump System Replacement** *Councilman McCartney made a motion to accept OKAR Equipments proposal of \$8,344.00 to replace existing diesel pump; Councilwoman Millspaugh seconded it and it carried by a vote 4-0.*

TOWN CLERK'S DECEMBER 2008 REPORT *Councilman McCartney made a motion to file the Town Clerk's December 2008 report, seconded by Councilwoman Millspaugh and it carried by a vote 4-0.* The Supervisors December report will be presented at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Water District petition information Town Attorney Dan Bryson prepared a petition of Property Owners to establish the Peachey Road Water District.

Appointment of Delegate and Alternate for AOTSNY annual meeting *Councilman McCartney made a motion to appoint Councilman Barry Miller as Delegate and Councilman Donald Cunningham as Alternate for Association of Towns of the State of New York annual meeting; Councilwoman Millspaugh seconded it and it carried by a vote 4-0.*

RFP for annual audit/suggestions Deputy Supervisor Cunningham will invite Paul Battaglia of Freed Maxick & Battaglia, PC to a meeting to inform him of poor service the Town has received and see if it can be rectified.

OLD BUSINESS:

UNION CONTRACT: Councilman Miller had nothing new to report.

FIRE CONTRACT: A new draft of the contract was provided and discussed.

BILLS: The bills were presented for audit and totaled General A Fund \$39,420.14 vouchers #1-30, General B Fund \$10,139.27 vouchers #1-6, and Highway DB \$19,382.53 vouchers #1-8. *Councilwoman Millspaugh made a motion to pay the January bills; seconded by Councilman Miller and it carried by a vote 4-0.*

NEXT MEETING: Joint meeting with Village of Bergen and Fire Department, Wednesday, January 14, 2009 at the Village of Bergen Office at 7:00 PM

Regular Meeting – Tuesday, January 27, 2009 at 7:30 PM in the Courtroom

ADJOURNMENT *was at 9:38 p.m. on a motion by Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilwoman Millspaugh and carried by a vote 4 -0.*

Respectfully submitted,

Michele M. Smith,
Town Clerk