

JULY 30, 2008

BERGEN TOWN BOARD

SPECIAL MEETING

Present

Supervisor John Specht
Councilman Donald Cunningham
Councilman Hugh McCartney
Councilman Barry Miller
Councilwoman Rachael Millspaugh
JoAnne DeMarle, Bero Architecture
John “ “

Mayor Wayne Bailey
Trustee Anna Marie Barclay
Trustee Virginia Adams
Trustee Bob Bausch
Trustee Paul Cooper
Village Clerk Stacey Brown

ABSENT

Town Clerk Michele M. Smith

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Bergen Town Board and the Village of Bergen Trustees convened for a special meeting with Mayor Wayne Bailey opening the meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Village of Bergen Office to discuss the Tulley Building and the Bergen Fire Department Audit

Audit of the Bergen Fire Department

- According to the Village there is a contract in process with Freed Maxick & Battaglia to audit the public books of the Bergen Fire Department.
- It was confirmed by the Village of Bergen that the Bergen Fire Department does not have a CPA audit their books, but employs a book keeper.
- \$5,000 is a cost that will not be exceeded by the auditors
- Because we are not looking into auxiliary funds the cost of the audit should be significantly reduced and Stacey Brown will be helping with the audit to further reduce costs.
- Don Cunningham and John Specht mentioned that we should not pay the auditors until we have a tangible report concerning the audit and its findings/ recommendations
- No formal vote was taken, but the board agreed to proceed with the audit.....

The Chapel-Drew House

The previous zoning issue has been resolved and we will receive conformation from the Village of Bergen Planning Board.

Wilcox Building

Councilman Miller made the suggestion of utilizing the Wilcox building as a temporary office for the Village was discussed briefly.

The Tulley Building and Cost of Utilities

- Wayne Bailey reiterated and reconfirmed that the cost of the utilities and maintenance will be based on Sq. footage use of the building. Shared spaces include the entire basement, the conference room, copier room, and restroom facilities on the first floor. They also include the court room on the second floor.
- Joanne for Bero acknowledged that 3 separate electric meters could easily be incorporated into the building with the cost splitting measures in mind. If we use gas for heat however this could not be done.
- The 99 year lease at \$1.00 per year agreement was discussed and the Village will draw up a contract for all of these details if the proposal passes on November 4th.

The Tulley Building & Asbestos

- The visual findings of Jerry Sheridan relayed that there is no asbestos in the Tulley Building this was confirmed by Bero that upon on-sight inspection the building did not contain visible asbestos.
- Identification and subsequent testing is currently being conducted by Bero to determine where and how much asbestos is in the building so the contractor will be able to properly protect workers and if necessary sub contract our asbestos abatement crew.
- As of Approximately 2003 NYS Building Code requires that commercial buildings have an asbestos report conducted as part of the permit process.
- The figures and results can be expected by August 1, 2008.
- The town board informally agreed to split (50%) the cost of possible abatement in the basement of the building and to foot the entire bill for the second floor of the building if the project passes on a public referendum. In other words the cost of abatement will be represented by area.

The Tulley Building Public Meeting/ Referendum/ Grant Opportunities

- After discussion concerning the that the project would be put to vote on November 4th 2008, 2 questions were raised that John Specht will investigate
 - How many days before vote do we have to hold a public information session? ---75?
 - How many days do we have to get this information to the Genesee County Board of Elections to ensure that it is on our ballot? ----45?
- The Village of Bergen will know in September if they are awarded a grant from NYS Office of Historic Preservation. The applied for a \$380,000 rehabilitation grant.
- The sq. footage needs of the town concerning the records needs to be determined ASAP. Michele and Rachael will gather the information Saturday August 2, 2008

The Bergen Town Board Meeting convened in a special session at 9:45PM at the Village of Bergen offices with John Specht presiding.

Present:

Supervisor John Specht
Councilman Don Cunningham
Councilman Barry Miller
Councilman Hugh McCartney
Councilwoman Rachael Millspaugh

Communications

Proposal from Chatfield Engineering

New Business

Town Hall and Historical Barn proposed engineering and architectural fees from Chatfield Engineering *Councilman Hugh McCartney made a motion to approve option 2 (constructing a Hip Roof/ Rafters and replace Barn roof), Councilman Miller seconded it and it carried by a vote of 5-0.*

Adjournment was at 10:08PM on a motion made by Councilman Cunningham, seconded by Councilman McCartney and carried by a vote of 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rachael J. Millspaugh,
Councilwoman