

**MARCH 26, 2013   BERGEN TOWN BOARD   REGULAR 2nd MEETING**

The Bergen Town Board convened in a regular session at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Hall with Supervisor Cunningham presiding.

**PRESENT:**

Supervisor Donald Cunningham  
Councilman Joe Nenni  
Councilman Brian Stone  
Councilwoman Belinda Grant  
Councilman Hugh McCartney

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Michele M. Smith, Town Clerk  
Mike Johnson, Highway Superintendent  
David Mason, ZEO/CEO  
Anne Sapienza, Assessor (arr. 7:29)

**OTHER ATTENDEES:**

Mayor Ralph Marsocci  
Deputy Mayor Paul Cooper  
Trustee Virginia Adams  
Trustee Anne Marie Barclay  
John Murray

Cortney Gale, Village Administrator  
Ken Steinmetz, Village DPW  
Mark Masse, GCEDC  
Tom Williamson

**PRAYER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

**VILLAGE OF BERGEN SESSION - 6:30pm – 6:39pm**

**REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING - Convened at 6:40 pm**

**MINUTES:** *Councilman Nenni made a motion to approve the March 12, 2013 minutes; seconded by Councilman McCartney and it carried by a vote 5-0.*

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Mercy EMS Report for February 2013  
Training Seminar Information from NYMIR  
Information on the Southern Tier Government Conference  
Draft Resolution Opposing Legislation A.689  
Email from Bill Robinson, Re: Resignation from Planning Board  
Legal Notice from the Town of Sweden, Re: Subdivision on Reed Rd.  
Draft letter authorizing subdivision of 17 S. Lake Ave. property

**REPORTS:**

**HIGHWAY/SOLID WASTE:** Getting ready for spring cleanup; Sun King has an upcoming fundraiser for Camp Good Days Mike requested that the first quarter revenue be donated. *Councilman Nenni made a motion to donate the first quarter revenue; seconded by Councilman Stone and carried by vote 5-0.* The new plow Truck asked to be included in the Equipment show at Rochester Tech Park by Valley Fab April 10<sup>th</sup>.

**ZEO/CEO:** 7199 Dublin Rd. Property Dave has been in contact with owner the house was vacated in November 2012 there is a dispute between owner & renter, there are violations, and the dispute is being handled by their attorneys 6650 N. Lake Rd. A Neighbor complaint of garbage being dumped behind property which has been abandoned by prior tenants.

**COMMITTEES:**

**BUILDING COMMITTEE:** Councilman Stone reported that roof replacement for 15 S. Lake Ave is scheduled for May.

**HIGHWAY/PARKS COMMITTEE:** Nothing to report

**VILLAGE RELATIONS COMMITTEE:** Next meeting scheduled for April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 pm.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Peachey Rd. Water District

- The Village expressed interest in connecting to the district, costs being compiled
- Water main installation complete from Peachey Rd. to the North end of the district
- Work progressing northbound from the connection point at the Village to Peachey Rd.
- Project meeting scheduled for March 27<sup>th</sup>

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Proclamation for Dick Partridge Councilman Nenni made a motion to recognize the Proclamation for Dick Partridge; seconded by Councilman McCartney and it carried by a vote 5-0. Councilman Nenni made a motion for expenditure for plaque for the Proclamation not to exceed \$200.00; seconded by Councilman McCartney and it carried by a vote 5-0.

Planning Board Resignation Councilman Stone made a motion to accept the resignation of Bill Robinson from Planning Board; seconded by Councilman Nenni and it carried by a vote 5-0.

Subdivision of 17 S. Lake Ave. Councilman Nenni made a motion to send an approval letter authorizing subdivision of 17 S. Lake Ave. to Village Planning Board; seconded by Councilman McCartney and it carried by a vote 5-0. Anne Marie Barclay thanked the Town Board for their cooperation.

Resolution Opposing Legislation A.689 Councilman Nenni offered Resolution #9 -2013 Opposing Legislation A.689 "Early Voting Proposal"; seconded by Councilman McCartney and it carried by a vote 5-0.

**RESOLUTION # 9-2013  
OPPOSITION OF LEGISLATION A.689 SPEAKER SILVER, ET AL  
"EARLY VOTING PROPOSAL"**

**WHEREAS**, the Genesee County Board of Elections has expressed concern relative to the proposed Legislation A.689 offered by Speaker Sheldon Silver, et al that would require 5 polling sites throughout our County to be open 13 straight days from 8 am until 7 pm before each general election and 7 days before any primary election, and

**WHEREAS**, providing election inspectors for 14 straight days, including Saturdays and Sundays, and 7 days before each primary would put an additional cost burden to the Town taxpayers; and

**WHEREAS**, existing polling sites, which are extremely hard to acquire, would eliminate all schools, fireman's recreation halls and church halls because they are not available on Saturdays and Sundays, posing another added burden and expense; and

**WHEREAS**, the Genesee County Board of Elections has upgraded the polling sites to provide ample room for all voters to have adequate space to complete and cast their ballot within a reasonable period of time even during the recent Presidential Election with 70% voter turnout.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Bergen Town Board opposes this "Early Voting Proposal" which is completely unnecessary in the Town of Bergen, County of Genesee and adds on more unfunded mandate to out Town taxpayers.

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this resolution be sent to New York State Senator Michael Ranzenhofer, Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver, New York State Assemblyman Steven Hawley, and the Genesee County Legislature.

**NEXT MEETING:** Tuesday, April 9, 2013 at 7:00 PM in the Courtroom with the audit of the bills at 6:45 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT OF TOWN BOARD SESSION** was at 6:57 pm on a motion by Councilman Stone; seconded by Councilman McCartney and it carried by a vote 5-0.

**JOINT SESSION BEGAN AT 6:58 PM**

**Discussion Topics:**

Mark Masse from GCEDC updated the boards on Apple Tree Acres & County projects.

Comprehensive Plan: Committee between Village/Town Planning & Zoning Boards, County can help with training.

Mercy EMS Services: Response times have not improved; staging locations; invite Mercy Flight to the next joint meeting.

Shared Services: The Village/Town Highway Departments are working well together; parking lot behind 13 S. Lake Ave drainage problems.

Bergen Emergency Plan: the Village updated the plan; the Byron-Bergen School District would like a joint meeting to discuss the plans.

200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration: April 13, 2013 at 1:00 at Mt. Rest Cemetery; workday is scheduled for April 6th at 9:00 am at Mt. Rest Cemetery.

**Other Discussions:**

Resolution for Bank Foreclosure property Anne would like the Village and Town pass the resolution; Renewal of Star Exemption reapplication will not take effect until 2014

13 S. Lake Light Fixtures Mike thanked the Village for their help in replacing the light fixtures

**Joint Session Adjourned** at 8:13 pm on a motion by Councilman Nenni; seconded by Councilwoman Grant and it carried by a vote 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

*Michele M. Smith*

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Town Clerk