

**Town Board Meeting
September 6, 2012
7:00 p.m.**

Present: Supervisor Roney, Councilor Greenfield, Councilor Murray, Councilor McGlynn, Councilor Keyes, Attorney Sardino.

Also Present: Jason Emerson (Skaneateles Press), Jessica Soule (Skaneateles Journal), Gene LaForte, Bridgett Winkelman, Julie Stenger, Sue Murphy, Debbie Williams, Ed Albring, Andrea Schoeneman, Jim Card, Eric Prager, Allan Wellington.

Department Reports

▪**Highway:** Jim Card reported that they were installing guardrails on the Irish Road Bridge. He expects that they will finish next week with blacktopping and hydro seeding. They have also oiled and stoned 6 miles of Town roads.

▪**Water:** Jim Card reported that Joe Dwyer was doing repairs to shut off valves.

▪**Transfer Station:** Jim Card reported that operations were normal.

▪**Parks:** Sue Murphy reported that they had prepared 10 soccer fields. They were also preparing ice at Austin Pavilion. Supervisor Roney thanked the Parks Department for a very successful summer season.

▪**Codes:** Debbie Williams said that they collected \$51,000 in building fees this year compared to \$26,263 last year. While they have 3 more single family homes being built there is only one more building permit being issued this year versus last year.

▪**Budget:** Bridgett Winkelman said that the NYS Comptroller's Office completed their review and will let the Town know if their findings require further review. She billed water district #1 and thanked department heads for submitting their proposed budgets for 2013.

Resolution #12-210

Budget Amendments: On a motion of Councilor Greenfield seconded by Councilor McGlynn and with unanimous (5-0) approval of the Town Board the following budget amendments were approved:

Part Town Fund

\$ 200.00	Increase	016704.02.004.00	Central Print/Mail – C/E
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\$ 200.00	Decrease	019904.02.004.00	Contingency
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Cost of Town updates to code books

Highway Town Wide

\$ 25,000.00	Increase	051204.17.004.35	Bridge – C/E
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\$ 25,000.00	Decrease	000909.03.000.00	Unappropriated Fund Balance
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Transfer funds to Bridge Repair – Prior to Bonding

Water Consolidated

\$ 900.00	Increase	083104.08.004.00	Water – Admin – C/E
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\$ 900.00	Increase	002650.08.000.00	Sale of surplus scrap
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Cost of Doing Business

Resolution #12-211

Abstract #12-17: Councilor Keyes moved a resolution approving voucher # 12-1481 to #12-1533 from the following funds:

General Fund:	\$51,886.12	Part Town:	\$10,837.37
Highway:	\$ 20.00	Highway P/T:	\$ 7,563.09
Water:	\$ 595.87	Bridge:	\$16,584.23
T & A	\$ 458.24	T & A:	\$ 1,881.35
Street Lights:	\$ 1,209.22	Fire:	\$ 6,500.00

Total: \$97,077.25

Seconded by Councilor Murray.

Councilor Keyes	Yes
Councilor McGlynn	Yes
Councilor Greenfield	Yes
Councilor Murray	Yes
Supervisor Roney	Yes

Carried 5-0

Zoning Board of Appeals Vacancy: Supervisor Roney reported that with the appointment of Scott Winkelman from the Zoning Board of Appeals to the Planning Board, there exists a vacancy on the Zoning Board of Appeals. The position would be advertised in the Skaneateles Press and Skaneateles Journal and interested candidates should submit their letter of interest to the Town Supervisor by September 28th.

Resolution #12-212

Sport Recognition Entrance Signs: Supervisor Roney reported that at the August 2nd meeting Jim Farrell presented two sign options that would display the State Champions of the various school sports on the entrance signs to the Town. At that time the entire Board was not present and installing the signs also needed to be discussed with Jim Card. Mr. Card said he had no objection to installing the signs under the Town entrance signs.

Councilor Greenfield moved a resolution approving the one sign design with all NYS sport champions listed that will be placed under the Town of Skaneateles entrance signs. The signs and materials will be paid for by the school sports boosters and will be subject to approval by the New York State and Onondaga County Departments of Transportation. Seconded by Councilor Murray.

Councilor Keyes	Yes
Councilor McGlynn	Yes
Councilor Greenfield	Yes
Councilor Murray	Yes
Supervisor Roney	Yes

Carried 5-0

Resolution #12-213

Authorization to Carry Over Vacation Time: Councilor Murray moved a resolution approving the request made by the Town Clerk to authorize carrying over 66 hours of Julie Stenger's unused vacation time to her new anniversary year which began August 12th. Seconded by Councilor Greenfield.

Councilor Keyes	Yes
Councilor McGlynn	Yes
Councilor Greenfield	Yes
Councilor Murray	Yes
Supervisor Roney	Yes

Carried 5-0

Resolution #12-214

Request For Water Service – Vinegar Hill Road: Andrea Schoeneman appeared before the Board regarding her property that she is subdividing on Vinegar Hill Road in order to sell a parcel to Adam Quku. Mr. Quku has petitioned the Town Board to determine if the parcel he is purchasing can receive public water.

Supervisor Roney said that there was a discrepancy between the Town's district boundary record on Vinegar Hill Road and Onondaga County's. She went in to Onondaga County and reviewed the maps and is waiting to receive the documents they used to make their boundary determination. However, regardless of who's boundary is correct, the parcel Mr. Quku is purchasing will have his house within the water district. The meter and pit will be approximately two feet from the road's edge. Mr. Quku would be responsible for the water line from the road's edge to the house. After Jim Card stated that the current rates for new meters and water service does not cover the cost of installation, the Town Board agreed to reevaluate the fees.

Councilor Murray moved a resolution approving the request from Adam Quku to receive public water on the 14-acre portion of Tax Parcel #023.-02-01.2 that is being considered by the Planning Board for subdivision approval and as represented on the attached map. Should the dimensions change significantly, the Town Board may need to reconsider.

The Town Board acknowledged that the parcel is within the water district and approved the request for water service with the following condition:

- The deed will need to contain a restrictive covenant which states that service for this parcel is restricted to only one service. Additional services for this parcel or any adjacent parcels will require Town Board approval and any other applicable agency or department approvals.

Seconded by Councilor Greenfield.

Councilor Keyes	Yes
Councilor McGlynn	Yes
Councilor Greenfield	Yes
Councilor Murray	Yes
Supervisor Roney	Yes

Carried 5-0

Unsafe Buildings

- Albring Property - Mr. Albring reported to the Town Board that he had contacted the utility company to disconnect the electric but they went to the wrong house and he is trying to now get them back. As soon as the electric is disconnected he plans to take down the house.
- Sheets Property - Attorney Sardino said that this property should close by the end of the month. The cancellation of the lis pendens will be filed the same time as the property transfer is filed.

The Town Board requested Debbie Williams to continue communicating with Mr. Albring and to update the Town Board at the next meeting on September 20th. Supervisor Roney thanked Mr. Albring for attending and said that he will not have to attend the next meeting.

Resolution #12-215

Endurance Monster: Eric Prager, owner of Endurance Monster reported to the Town Board that last year's Monster Mash raised \$6,000 for the Playground at Austin Park. This year donations will go to the American Red Cross. The two races that they held last year raised \$25,000 of which \$19,000 went to the Carol Baldwin Breast Cancer Fund. 325 people participated and there was great community support.

This year the Endurance Monster Mash 4 Mile Halloween Run will take place on Saturday, October 27th at 11 a.m. There are three options for the course. He believes that there will be less distraction if the race starts at the Town garage on Fennell Street and ends at Endurance Monster. Ending at Endurance Monster may keep people in the downtown area to shop and eat at the restaurants. Volunteers will be stationed along the run route to provide direction and support to participants. The Skaneateles Police and the NYS Police will be utilized for traffic control and SAVES will provide medical support and response in the event of an incident or injury. There will be a series of port-a-john's located at the start area of the run. Showers and bathrooms are also at the Endurance Monster store.

Councilor Keyes made a motion to approve Course Option #1 for the 4-mile run that will start on Fennell Street at the area of the Town Garage, head north on Fennell Street to Mill Road and then continue on Mill Road to the Charlie Major Nature Trail. At the end of the Trail the runners will turn left on Crow Hill to Mill Road and continue on Mill Road to Fennell Street and end at the Endurance Monster store. Seconded by Councilor McGlynn.

Councilor Keyes	Yes
Councilor McGlynn	Yes
Councilor Greenfield	Yes
Councilor Murray	Yes
Supervisor Roney	Yes

Carried 5-0

Sue Murphy made the request that the areas in front of the garage doors be kept free from activity so that equipment could be moved in and out and Laker Limo and the Loan Closet could be accessed. Mr. Prager said he would make sure that this area was not blocked.

Y Request For Contractual Ice Rate: Supervisor Roney said that a request has been received from Matt Major of the Y asking that the Y receive the same contractual rate for ice rental at the Austin Pavilion that the Skaneateles Youth Hockey, Skaneateles Figure Skating Club and the Skaneateles School receive or \$80 per hour instead of the \$95 per hour. Supervisor Roney said that last year the Austin Pavilion sold 940.5 hours of ice rental. This year they have sold 763.25 hours of contracted ice time. This is a revenue reduction of \$11,000. She said the Y wants to contract hours that would require staffing to come back to open up several hours after the contracted users slotted times.

Councilor McGlynn said that Youth Hockey and Figure Skating have booked more time this year at the Y. Supervisor Roney said that the Town only intended to operate the Austin Pavilion for the overflow needs of these groups that the Y could not handle. This year Solvay School has decided to book their ice time at Corcoran.

The Town Board requested that Sue Murphy provide the current calendar showing when ice has been booked and to consider other ice rentals only if there is no gaps between ice rental times. Councilor McGlynn said at \$95 it is still a good deal because Cicero North Syracuse charges \$150 per hour and the Y charges \$125 per hour. He believes that the Y should pay \$95 per hour. Councilor Keyes said that we should figure the cost per hour for the operation of Austin Pavilion then the user would pay that hourly fee.

The Town Board agreed to review this at budget time and then get back to the Y with their decision.

Budget Sessions: The Town Board was in receipt of the tentative budget workshop schedule for September as that would be as follows:

9/10/12	Monday	8 a.m. to 9 a.m.	Personnel Service/Employee Benefits
9/12/12	Wednesday	8 a.m. to 10 a.m.	Highway, Part Town, General Fund, Traffic Control, Garage, Highway Superintendent, Transfer Station.
9/17/12	Monday	8 a.m. to 10 a.m.	Sewer Consolidated, Sewer #6, Water Consolidated, Water #5, Fire Districts, Ambulance Service.
9/19/12	Wednesday	8 a.m. to 10 a.m.	General Fund, Parks/Fields, Programs for Aging, Creamery, Historian and Adult Recreation
9/24/12	Monday	8 a.m. to 10 a.m.	General Fund, Town Board, Justice, Supervisor, Tax Collector, Budget, Assessor, Shared Services, Town Clerk and Records Management.
9/26/12	Wednesday	8 a.m. to 10 a.m.	Part Town, Codes, Planning and Zoning
9/28/12	Friday	8.a.m. to 9 a.m.	Special Interests: Chamber, Symphony, Planning Community Beautification (Conservation Area) and Cemeteries

Resolution #12-216

Minutes: Councilor Murray moved a resolution accepting the minutes of August 16, 2012 as presented. Seconded by Supervisor Roney.

Councilor Keyes	Yes
Councilor McGlynn	Abstain
Councilor Greenfield	Yes
Councilor Murray	Yes
Supervisor Roney	Yes

Carried 4-0

Announcements/Correspondence:

▪*Mottville Fire Department Donation:* Supervisor Roney reported that the Mottville Fire Department has offered to repair the benches at the Mottville Playground at the north end of Charlie Major Nature Trail. The Town Board thanked the members of the fire department for supporting the playground.

▪*Mosquito Larvae Kits:* Supervisor Roney reported that the Onondaga County Soil & Water Conservation District has provided mosquito larvae kits that are available for free at the Town Clerk's Office.

Resolution #12-217

Executive Session: Councilor Murray moved a resolution to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:40 p.m. to discuss contract negotiations with the SRCT. Seconded by Councilor Keyes.

Councilor Keyes	Yes
Councilor McGlynn	Yes
Councilor Greenfield	Yes
Councilor Murray	Yes
Supervisor Roney	Yes

Carried 5-0

Meeting returned to open session and adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet L. Aaron
Town Clerk