

Regular Board Meeting, Town of Manheim, January 25, 2011 at 7:00PM

MEMBERS PRESENT

Supervisor John Haughton
Councilman Larry Austin
Councilman Frederick Doerrer
Councilman Peter Jaikin
Councilman Kevin Snell

OTHERS PRESENT

Carl Stallman
Justice George, Justice Thompson

Supervisor Haughton called the regular meeting to order at 7:00PM. Roll call was taken and the pledge of allegiance recited.

PUBLIC HEARING ON LITTLE FALLS EMERGENCY SERVICES CONTRACT

A Motion was made by Councilman Doerrer and was seconded by Councilman Austin to open the public hearing. Ayes All

Supervisor Haughton expressed his concerns: Little Falls insists the contract be for emergency services also, not simply fire coverage. All town residents (outside the village) are paying for the ambulance portion of the contract, yet only residents within the district are covered. Supervisor Haughton asked that a September deadline be added for the submission of the contract to the town along with a breakdown of calls made the previous year. This was not honored even though Mayor Peters said it wouldn't be a problem to do this. The consensus of the board was that we are between a rock and a hard place in that we have to make sure our residents have fire coverage. Supervisor Haughton will be looking into changing the boundaries of the fire districts.

A Motion was made by Councilman Doerrer and was seconded by Councilman Austin to close the public hearing at 7:25pm. Ayes All.

A Motion was made by Councilman Doerrer and was seconded by Councilman Snell to rescind Resolution #26 of 2010. Ayes: Councilmen Austin, Doerrer and Snell

Nays: Supervisor Haughton Absent: Councilman Jaikin

A Motion was made by Councilman Snell and was seconded under protest by Councilman Doerrer to accept the 2011 and 2012 Emergency Services Agreement with the City of Little Falls. \$35074.00 to be paid in 2011 and \$36074.00 in 2012.

Ayes: Councilmen Austin and Snell

Nays: Supervisor Haughton

Councilman Doerrer under protest

Absent: Councilman Jaikin

A Motion was made by Councilman Austin and was seconded by Councilman Snell to accept the minutes of the January 11, 2011 regular board meeting. Ayes All.

A Motion was made by Councilman Doerrer and seconded by Councilman Snell to accept Justice Thompson's 2010 annual report as audited by Councilmen Austin and Jaikin. Ayes All
Councilman Jaikin arrived and participated in the rest of the meeting.

A Motion was made by Councilman Jaikin and was seconded by Councilman Doerrer to accept Justice George's 2010 annual report as audited. Ayes All

A Motion was made by Supervisor Haughton and was seconded by Councilman Jaikin to audit the justice reports semi-annually in July and January. Ayes All.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Carl reported that the pickup is at Comstock's with an antifreeze leak. Last Friday Carl had to go to Syracuse for an injector for the autocar. It's been fixed and is back in service. Monday the new truck got stuck in the ditch on the Murphy Rd. and had to be towed. The only damage done was to the side mirror cover. Diesel fuel is up o \$3.21 a gal.

EXECUTIVE SESSION to discuss assessment reduction litigation

A Motion was made by Councilman Doerrerr and was seconded by Councilman Jaikin to enter into Executive Session at 8:30pm to discuss upcoming litigation on the assessment of a town property. Ayes All.

A Motion was made by Councilman Jaikin and was seconded by Councilman Snell to exit Executive Session at 8:40pm. Ayes All.

A Motion was made by Councilman Jaikin and was seconded by Councilman Doerrerr to hire Frank Donato to do the commercial appraisal on the Big M for the town at a cost of \$2000.00. Actual court room testimony and court stand-by time will be charged at an hourly rate of \$150.00/hr. Ayes All.

OLD BUSINESS

The Board members went of the resolution that will be voted on at the NYC conference in February. Councilman Snell was given voting rights for the conference.

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NEW BUSINESS

Reminder: The Herkimer County Supervisor's Association dinner meeting will be Thursday, January 27, 2011 at the Knight's Inn in Little Falls. Supervisor Haughton, and Councilmen Doerrerr and Jaikin will attend.

The town received \$41,828.11 in sales tax this quarter. This is up \$7,056.79 from last year.

COORESPONDENCE

The Violet Festival committee thanked the town for their past participation and is looking forward to making the 2011 celebration bigger and better with support from sponsors like the town.

The Friends of the Herkimer Home State Historical Site sent a letter asking for the town's support to keep the site open.

RESOLUTION # 20

Introduced by Councilman Jaikin

Seconded by Councilman Doerrerr

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Manheim fully support keeping the Herkimer Home State Historic Site open to the public.

A Motion was made to adjourn at 9:10 P.M. by Councilman Doerrerr and seconded by Councilman Snell. Ayes All.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marie Gressler
Town Clerk