

Town of Manheim, Regular Board Meeting, June 14, 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, Rob Juteau

Supervisor Haughton called the meeting to order at 7:19PM, roll call was taken and the pledge of allegiance recited.

A Motion was made by Councilman Doerrer and was seconded by Councilman Jaikin to accept the minutes of the May 24, 2011 meeting. Ayes All.

A Motion was made by Councilman Austin and was seconded by Councilman Snell to accept Abstract #6 of 2011 as audited. Ayes All.

A Motion was made by Councilmen Jaikin and was seconded by Councilman Austin to accept the Supervisors report for April 2011. Ayes All.

A Motion was made by Councilman Jaikin and was seconded by Councilman Doerrer to accept the clerks report for May 2011. Ayes All

Public Comment Period

None

Superintendent's Report

Carl hasn't received the third quote for the new radios yet. The men are rebuilding the dump box on the 1996 international truck.

The Howard St., Ext. bridge was hit over the weekend; Carl has contacted the driver's insurance company. He will be getting a quote for the repairs on Thursday.

There was some illegal dumping at the transfer station over the 4th of July weekend. Review of the surveillance tape showed 12 vehicles that left without dumping and 6 that dumped even though the station was closed. The tape will be enhanced to retrieve the license plate numbers of the violators. Supervisor Haughton will check on what sanctions can be enforced under Home Rule. Councilman Jaikin suggested a \$25.00 fine for the first offence, \$50.00 for the second offence, and revocation of the person's permit if there is a third offense.

Old Business

Herkimer County Supervisors Meeting: Supervisor Haughton reported that the May 26th Supervisor's meeting was the most heated one he has ever attended. The majority of the group is strongly against any form of shared services with the county. Assemblyman Marc Butler was in attendance and reported that the 2% tax cap is sure to be passed. Also there is little to no hope of any relief from state mandates. This is sure to hurt all town budgets.

Noise Ordinance: Supervisor Haughton spoke with the New York State Police commander in Marcy and was told that this issue can be handled by the troopers without the town having its own ordinance. The issue was tabled.

Sub-Division Ordinance: The wording of the existing ordinance contradicts itself and needs to be revised. It was decided to look into having the sub-division as well as the zoning ordinance revised. Carl reported that a lot of the training he attended at Schuyler addressed the issue of Rural Development and the need for towns to have explicit regulations in effect to protect agricultural land.

Big M Assessment: Both parties agreed the assessment would be reduced to \$185,000.00 for 2011 and would be set at \$290,000.00 from 2012 forward. This will avoid the need for refunding taxes due to a reduction in the assessment for the 2010 assessment year. Supervisor Haughton was very impressed in the professionalism shown by Dan Maxwell through out the proceedings.

New Business

The Town Offices will be closed July 1 thru July 10, 2011 for vacation.

William Timmerman has agreed to serve on the planning board.

A Motion was made by Councilman Jaikin and was seconded by Councilman Snell to appoint William Timmerman to the Planning Board for the term ending December 2015.

The next Farm Day planning meeting will be June 22nd @ 6:00pm at Hultens.

Correspondence

The Fort Herkimer Amateur Radio Association invited board members to their Field Days to be held June 25th and 26th at Hank Crofoot's property on the Kilts Road.

A Motion was made to adjourn by Councilman Doerrer and was seconded by Councilman Austin at 8:22PM. Ayes All.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marie Gressler
Town Clerk