

Regular Board Meeting, Town of Manheim, September 28, 2010 at 7:00PM

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

OTHERS PRESENT

Carl Stallman

Supervisor Haughton called the regular meeting to order at 7:10PM. Roll call was taken and the pledge of allegiance recited.

A Motion was made by Councilman Jaikin and was seconded by Councilman Doerrer to open the Public Hearing on the fire contract for St. Johnsville, and the bid openings for trash and fuel. Ayes All.

The Village of St. Johnsville proposed payments of \$2566.03 for 2011, \$2643.01 for 2012 and \$2722.30 for 2013. The board felt this was very reasonable.

A Motion was made by Councilman Snell and was seconded by Councilman Jaikin to accept the 2001-13 fire contract as proposed by St. Johnsville. Ayes All.

BID OPENING

Trash: one bid received from Spohn's disposal: they will offer carts and trash bags to town residents. The transfer station 40 yard roll offs would be \$190.00/pull, with a \$79.95/ton disposal fee.

A Motion was made by Councilman Austin and was seconded by Councilman Doerrer to accept Spohn's bid for trash and garbage collection. Ayes All.

Ultra Low Sulfur Diesel:

Little Falls Fuel, Inc.: \$.25 cents over the cost of fuel for the delivery day.

Brandow Oil: \$.20 cents over the cost of the fuel for the delivery day.

A Motion was made by Councilman Jaikin and was seconded by Councilman Snell to accept the bid from Brandow Oil for low sulfur diesel. Ayes All.

Bio-Diesel Heating Oil: only one bid received from Adirondack Biodiesel: decreasing/escalating \$2.12 a gallon delivered.

A Motion was made by Councilman Jaikin and was seconded by Councilman Austin to accept the bid submitted by Adirondack bio-diesel for the bio-diesel heating oil. Ayes All.

Bio-Diesel Fuel: only one bid received from Adirondack Biodiesel: Fixed \$2.49/dal. Delivered, decreasing/escalating \$2.20 gal. delivered.

A Motion was made by Councilman Austin and was seconded by Councilman Doerrer to accept the decreasing/escalating bid of \$2.20 /gal. delivered from Adirondack Biodiesel. Ayes All.

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

A Motion was made by Councilman Snell and was seconded by Councilman Austin to accept the minutes of the September 14, 2010 regular board meeting. Ayes All.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

NONE

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Carl reported that the oil and stoning of Eyesman road has been completed. The men are putting up sand and salt. When that's done they'll start getting the equipment ready for winter.

OLD BUSINESS

Farm Day update: 24 confirmed presenters, S&S ambulance personal will be on hand, BOCES criminal justice students will be directing cars for parking, Herkimer County Sheriffs will handle crowd control, H.C. Soil & Water will have a display, the Dairy Princess will be giving out cheese, Stewart's has donated 500 servings of ice cream, local newspapers and radio stations will cover the event. Michael George, Bill Reynolds and the Dolgeville Firemen have offered to supply tents, tables and chairs for the day.

Little Falls Fire Contract: Supervisor Houghton along with the Supervisors from Danube and Little Falls will meet with their finance committee October 4th. Our contract has increased 110% in the last eight years.

Report on Town Supervisors meeting: Supervisor Houghton reported that the venue where the meeting was held was not conducive for holding a meeting.

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Report on Town Clerks meeting: In attempts to save money and make the process of licensing dogs uniform through out the county, the association has decided to order same style of tags from IDS for \$22.00 a hundred. The tags will have the town and county code, the town's name and phone number, and a seven digit ID number. Ours will read 2109 Manheim, 315-429-9631, and the seven digit ID number. The clerks from Warren and Little Falls will share their local law with the rest of the towns. The clerk suggested that the fee for an altered dog be raised to \$6.00 to compensate for the \$1.00 fee the state is requiring and keeping the fee for an unaltered dog at \$13.00. The clerk also requested permission to purchase the Williamson Clerk program at a cost of \$750.00 with a \$300.00 annual maintenance fee. This is a complete clerk program, not just for dog licensing.

A Motion was made by Councilman Jaikin and was seconded by Councilman Snell to allow the clerk to purchase the Town Clerk Plus software from Williamson. Ayes All.

NEW BUSINESS

Health Insurance: Excellus notified the town that they are eliminating our existing policy type. Becky Perkins forwarded us 7 plans to look at. After much discussion it was suggested that we have Becky do a spreadsheet of the plans and meet with John, Marie and the employees insured under the town's policy.

A Motion was made by Councilman Doerrer and was seconded by Councilman Austin to have Becky Perkins meet with the supervisor, clerk and the insured employees. Ayes All.

2011 Tentative Budget: The clerk presented the 2011 tentative budget to the board. Highlights were that contingency accounts were created in both highway funds, and in the general account the Attorney position was changed from a salaried position to a contractual one. A budget workshop will be held Thursday October 14th at 7:00pm.

Manheim History of Farming: Councilman Snell suggested that our historian put together a booklet on the history of farming in Manheim. With the decline of farms it is important to have this information available for future generations. The supervisor suggested he talk to Ron & Eleanor Timmerman, as they have gathered a lot of information on local farms. Then we can approach Sue Perkins on this matter.

COORESPONDENCE

The Herkimer County Historical Society is hosting a fund raising dinner at Bearsley's Castle October 14th.

A Motion was made to adjourn at 9:00 P.M. by Councilman Doerrer and seconded by Councilman Austin. Ayes All.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marie Gressler
Town Clerk