

TOWN BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2013

Minutes of the Regular Board meeting held on the above date beginning at 7:00 pm in the meeting room of the North Elba Town Hall, 2693 Main Street, Lake Placid, New York.

Members Present: Supervisor Politi, Councilman Favro, Councilman Miller, Councilman Doty, Laurie Dudley

Members Absent: Councilman Rand

Others Present: Ron Briggs, Larry Straight, Jessica Collier

Supervisor Politi opened the Regular Town Board meeting at 7:00 pm by asking everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Politi asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Board meeting on November 12, 2013

Councilman Favro moved and Councilman Miller seconded the motion to approve the minutes as written and presented. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by those present.

RESIGNATION OF DOG CONTROL OFFICER

Supervisor Politi – We received a letter from Scott Monroe notifying us that he will not be renewing the Animal Control Officer contract beginning January 1, 2014. Scott has gotten busier and doesn't have the time. His assistant, Jeremy Mihill, would like to move from assistant to full-time Dog Control Officer subject to similar terms and conditions and provided that he has peace officer status. He is ambitious. He wants to meet with the Department of Health to go over the standards with regards to dog bites and so forth. He has done a good job for Scott. He has told me that Scott will act as his substitute.

Councilman Doty – Are you going to look into the peace officer status?

Supervisor Politi – Ron is going to look into that. I think it's just an appointment. Unless you all want to open it up and go back out, do you all agree?

Councilman Favro moved and Councilman Miller seconded the motion to approve Jeremy Mihill as the new Animal Control Officer. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by those present.

The Animal Control Officer is contacted through dispatch. Cathy will update the website after January 1st.

CRAIG WOOD CASCADE SKI TOURING LEASE

Supervisor Politi – I modified the proposed lease with the Cascade Ski Center for use of the Craig Wood site to what we discussed at our last workshop meeting. It was my understanding that the board members expressed that they wanted it to be an un-exclusive right, a one year agreement, the cost would be \$1.00, the North Elba residents would be able to utilize the golf course trail system located within the boundaries at no charge and there would be no signage on the golf course unless authorized by Butch. Does that cover what you all talked about? I don't know if Art will be agreeable to it but that is the contract I drafted based upon what I heard.

Councilman Miller – The point of it was to make sure that Craig Wood was open to the public to ski this winter without having to pay and there would not be an unwelcoming sign at the entrance.

Supervisor Politi – I give Art more trails and costs him the same thing. Does anyone want to make a motion to this agreement on behalf of the Town subject to Cascade Ski Center's willingness to proceed?

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Councilman Miller moved and Councilman Doty seconded the motion to approve the modified lease agreement with the Cascade Ski Touring Center subject to his agreement. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by those present.

APPROVE SL FIRE CONTRACT

Supervisor Politi – We need to approve the Saranac Lake Fire Contract.

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Doty seconded the motion to approve the Saranac Lake Fire Contract. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by those present.

BOND RESOLUTION - TANDEM TRUCK HIGHWAY

Supervisor Politi – There is a Bond Resolution we have to pass this evening for a tandem truck for the Highway Department.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SERIAL BONDS OF THE TOWN OF NORTH ELBA, ESSEX COUNTY, NEW YORK IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$206,000 PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL FINANCE LAW TO FINANCE THE PURCHASE OF A TRUCK AND DELEGATING THE POWER TO ISSUE BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE SALE OF SUCH BONDS TO THE TOWN SUPERVISOR.

Supervisor Politi - This was based on a qualified bid that you received and the amount is not to exceed \$206,000. Is that correct Larry?

Superintendent Straight – That’s correct.

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Favro seconded the motion to approve the issuance of a serial bond not to exceed \$206,000 for a tandem truck for the Highway Department.

Councilman Miller – Where does it come from?

Superintendent Straight – The dealer is in Binghamton and the truck is made in the Carolinas.

There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by those present.

Supervisor Politi asked for a Roll Call Vote: Councilman Doty; Aye, Councilman Miller; Aye, Councilman Favro; Aye, Supervisor Politi; Aye. Councilman Rand was absent

ADIRONDACK BANK QUOTE FOR BOND

Supervisor Politi – The low interest rate for the bond was from Adirondack Bank at 2.75% for 5 years. NBT Bank was 2.80% for 5 years. I need a resolution approving the acceptance of a quote from Adirondack Bank in the amount of 2.7% of interest over a term of 5 yrs.

Councilman Miller moved and Councilman Doty seconded the motion at accept the quote from Adirondack Bank of 2.7% interest over 5 years. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by those present.

SEQR ASSESSMENT FORM - RECREATION FIELDS

Supervisor Politi – We need to move a resolution with regard to a Negative Declaration on a SEQR for the recreation fields grant. I need a motion that there will be no significant adverse environmental impact on the property. The biggest environmental impact is the C&D pit next door!

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Favro seconded the motion to approve the Negative Declaration SEQR Resolution for the recreation fields grant. Discussion continued.

Councilman Doty – How is that grant broken up. Is it a 50/50 deal or we only taking a portion of that to flip that one field?

Supervisor Politi – The grant is for \$440,000, Saranac Lake gets \$220,000 and we get \$220,000. We have to provide I think 25% if in kind. I don’t think we used \$220,000 for the last fields.

Councilman Doty – Our area is basically ready to go.

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Councilman Miller – Are you asking what is leftover to go to Saranac Lake?

Councilman Doty – That is what I'm asking.

Supervisor Politi – If we could use any additional money, I don't know why we wouldn't use it for irrigation for the fields. Gerard said it's an easy to run the water from the hydrant with an underground system.

Councilman Doty – The new systems for soccer and lacrosse the top of the heads are rubber now for the kids.

Supervisor Politi - The grant requires a copy of the property deed.

Councilman Favro – We needed the deed for the first field grant.

Attorney Briggs – Then we've got it.

There being no further discussion the motion was unanimously carried by those present.

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

Supervisor Politi – There are a number of personnel actions. We need to accept the resignation of Adam Marshall and accept the new hire of Ryan Taylor as the Cemetery Attendant and Mark Meeks as an HEO at the recommendation of Larry. Larry Brockway has had 10 years of service at \$16.06 an hour from 7/1/2013 to 12/5/2013 with a payout of \$367.26 because it was improperly computed. There is also a recommendation to accept, based on performance evaluations, the payout to the individual employees listed at a total payout of \$2,163.71.

TOWN OF NORTH ELBA
PERSONNEL ACTIONS FOR BOARD MEETING December 10, 2013

ACCEPT RESIGNATION:

	NAME	POSITION	DATE OF RESIGNATION	TYPE OF RESIGNATION	LAST DAY PAID	ACCRUED BENEFITS TO PAY
1	Adam Marshall**	Highway HEO	11/20/2013	written	11/29/2013	85.5 HOURS OF VAC

**RECOMMENDATION MADE BY: Larry Straight

ACCEPT RECOMMENDATION OF NEW HIRE:

	NAME	POSITION	DATE OF HIRE	UNION CLASSIFICATION	RATE OF PAY	CIVIL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION
2	Mark Meeks Jr	Cemetery Attendant	12/11/2013	Cemetery Attendant/credited yrs of experience: 5	13.84/hr	NON COMPETITIVE
3	Ryan W. Taylor	HEO	12/9/2013	HEO/credited yrs of experience: 2	15.90/hr	NON COMPETITIVE

**RECOMMENDATION MADE BY: LARRY STRAIGHT

ACCEPT RECOMMENDATION OF RETROACTIVE PAY

	NAME	POSITION	DATE OF CLASSIFICATION CHANGE	UNION CLASSIFICATION	RATE OF PAY	CIVIL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION	Other
4	Larry Brockway	TRANSFER STATION OPERATOR	7/1/2013 UNION MANUAL EMPLOYEE AFTER 10 YRS OF SERVICE \$16.06	TRANSFER STATION OPERATOR	\$16.06 FOR 7/1/2013-11/28/2013 (PAY DATES THROUGH 12/5/2013)	NON COMPETITIVE	\$ 367.26

**RECOMMENDATION MADE BY: CATHERINE GREGORY

5 ACCEPT RECOMMENDATION OF SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE PAY BASED ON EVALUATIONS COMPLETED 12/3/2013
52 WEEK PERIOD USED FOR CALCULATION OF HOURS WORKED: 11/30/2012- 11/28/2013

	rating	rate	hrs worked	payout due
Chris Kennedy				209.34
Steven Lahart				210.65
Ken Porter				257.85
John Riley				198.07
Rob Shaw				209.75
Lee Stanton				208.78
Larry Brockway				143.08
JJ Ledwith				193.55
Susan Muller				191.16
James Preston				140.57
Jennifer Reid				200.93
				<u>2,163.71</u>

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Favro seconded the motion to approve the personnel actions. Discussion continued.

Councilman Miller – Did any of the employees not get a merit raise?

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Councilman Favro – It is not a merit raise. It is a onetime payout based on evaluation. This does not add to their hourly rate pay at all. It is a lump sum.

Councilman Doty – It should be noted, this is the first time since we started in negotiation meetings that this 7 point evaluation was used.

Councilman Miller – How many points do you have to get in order to get the lump sum?

Councilman Doty – Each point is worth a certain amount of money.

Superintendent Straight – A point is worth 0.225 per hour for the total number of hours that worked throughout the year.

Councilman Miller – When I look at a rate of 4 at 0.225 it's 4 times 0.225?

Superintendent Straight – Yes and then times the hours they worked.

Supervisor Politi – Look at Jennifer Reid, she is a great employee.

Councilman Doty – She is an unbelievable employee.

Councilman Miller – She has a very positive influence down there.

Councilman Favro – She has done a great job.

Superintendent Straight – You watch, next year she will have a seven.

Councilman Miller – Did I miss something in the cemetery attendant. I don't recall discussing this individual.

Supervisor Politi – We discussed the appointment of the cemetery employee. At our workshop, Larry said he was down to two people.

Councilman Doty – I know him pretty well. He worked for me and he is very responsible. He's an electrician by trade. Jack knows him too.

Councilman Miller – Did you participate in the interview?

Supervisor Politi – Laurie was part of the interview process and assume is ok with it. Maybe he can light that graveyard up!

There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by those present.

ACCEPTANCE OF INSURANCE QUOTE FOR 2014

Supervisor Politi – NYMIR was \$72,925 and Gordon Pratt was \$83,388. NYMIR was also extending a five year return on Capital Credit in the amount of \$3,500 which brings the agreement to \$69,500. We budgeted \$70,500 in 2014. We paid \$69,015 in 2013. Does someone want to approve the acceptance of the NYMIR quote?

Councilman Miller moved and Councilman Favro seconded the motion to approve the NYMIR quote. Discussion continued.

Attorney Briggs – I assume that has public officers' coverage. It was an issue several years ago. I'm sure Cathy has looked into that.

Supervisor Politi – I would hope so. I will ask Cathy.

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BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Supervisor Politi reviewed the budget adjustments and asked for a motion for approval.

DEC 2013 Board Meeting Budget Amendments

<u>ACTION</u>	<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>REFERENCE</u>	<u>ADDITIONAL INFO</u>
INCREASE EXPENDITURE	A.1110.0463	COURT DUES & FEES	225.00	VCHR 131265	PYMT TO MAGISTRATE ASSOCIATION FOR 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013
INCREASE EXPENDITURE	A.6772.417	AGING PROGRAM, EQUIPMENT REPAIRS	766.07	VCHR 132146	TIRES FOR SENIOR BUS
INCREASE EXPENDITURE	A.7110.0200	PARKS, EQUIP & CAP OUTLAY	4,199.21	JE 130338	TO EXPENSE INTERFUND LOAN FOR BIKE PATH (DUE TO FUNDS DISALLOWED FOR GRANT REIMBURSEMENT FROM 2003 & 2004 THAT HAD BEEN CARRIED PENDING COMPLETION OF GRANT. FUNDING FOR BANDSHELL PER BILLERMAN REQUEST
INCREASE EXPENDITURE	A.7110.0200	PARKS, EQUIP & CAP OUTLAY	10,000.00	VCHR 134040	
DECREASE EXPENDITURE	A.1990.0400	CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT	(15,190.28)		
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INCREASE EXPENDITURE	A.3510.0473	DOG CONTROL, PET CARE	75.00	VCHR 134037	LAKE PLACID ANIMAL HOSPITAL (NOV IMPOUNDS)
INCREASE REVENUE	A..2811	FINES & PENALTIES DOG CASES	(75.00)		
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INCREASE EXPENDITURE	DB.5130.0417	MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT, EQUIPMENT REPAIRS	14,405.27	SEE ATTACHED	NECESSARY TO PREPARE TRUCKS FOR PLOWING AND SANDING
	DB..909	FUND BALANCE	(14,405.27)	2013 BUDGET IS CURRENTLY PROJECTED TO RETURN \$16023.80 TO FUND BALANCE	
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INCREASE EXPENDITURE	SP.7110.0416	PARKS, GROUNDS REPAIR	2,956.89	VCHR 132569 & 132588	TURF MANAGEMENT FOR ATHLETIC FIELD TREATMENT OVER BUDGET SEE ATTACHED
DECREASE EXPENDITURE	SP.1990.0400	CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT	(2,956.89)		
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Councilman Doty – If we are doing budget amendments on the Village band shell, Is that coming out of this current budget?

Supervisor Politi – I had money left over from this year’s budget so I figured I would pay it now so it wouldn’t effect next. I wrote them a note saying we would pay half and Cathy wrote them a letter saying we would not pay them at all. They were very confused.

Councilman Favro moved and Councilman Doty seconded the motion to approve the budget adjustments as written and presented. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by those present.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: ASSESSOR’S POSITION

Supervisor Politi – We have received six or seven letters from interested residents for that position. There are several routes to go. You can either have a sole appointed Assessor which is a nonelected position or continue the way it is with an appointment until there is an election of three. If you go the appointed way, you cannot go back to elected. We discussed this. The assessor’s job is a pretty unique job that requires very special qualifications especially in today’s market and the types of real property that we have in this community. It is not like any other community in Essex County. Given the number of hotels, restaurants, commercial/industrial it requires an extreme amount of knowledge and expertise. The problem that we discussed and that we potentially face continuing with an elected position you appoint someone for a year and they have to face an election after a year. That person could be defeated in the election and we will have lost a year. We will have to start all over again. I think Bob is right. We have a couple of candidates that do not necessarily live in North Elba that want to be considered if the Town is considering an appointed sole assessor position. The remaining people are all Town of North Elba individuals that have expressed interest in being appointed and then would seek election in a year.

Councilman Miller – I will come right out and say it. I would like to see us hire a professional if we can. If we can hire a professional that can get the ground running, board certified and understands business is the most critical thing. The second most important thing is someone who isn’t going to be swayed by wanting to help friends and injure enemies. I would really like it to be more of an unbiased professional position.

Supervisor Politi – The other important thing to note is that anybody coming into the job is that there are close to 8,500 parcels in the Town of North Elba. It is so much more than anywhere else.

Councilman Miller – With so many difficult properties to assess.

Supervisor Politi – I know when we had this discussion five years ago when Larry was running. It was an issue for the public for Highway. I think that it is a little different. This is a little more difficult position in terms of trying to put values on things that requires an awful lot of education and an awful lot of time. I understand that argument. What it really comes down to what you said

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Bob for me is that candidates there is no question that those people who expressed interest from outside the community are extremely qualified. They could just walk in and just do the job and certainly make it very easy. There is a segment of the community that doesn't want to lose the right to be able to vote for somebody. That is certainly understandable but I don't think the people recognize how specialized this type of function is for the community. It's not like anybody who walks in off the street can put a value on a 200 unit hotel. I guess you could guess.

Councilman Miller – You can guess but we will wind up in court.

Councilman Doty – If we chose to go appointed. It isn't like there are a lot of choices. We would have to abandon our current system of three Assessors because if you appoint it is a sole Assessor.

Supervisor Politi – The two people that have been elected would continue until next year.

Councilman Doty – I don't want people to think that by appointing we can put three more people in. If you appoint, you appoint a sole assessor.

Supervisor Politi – Once you appoint somebody you can't go back. You can never go back.

Councilman Doty – The appointment is for a six year term.

Supervisor Politi – It's a mandatory six year term.

Councilman Miller – Either way I would advocate for a sole assessor. I don't really see a reason for ...

Supervisor Politi – What is your thinking behind it? Is it just education?

Councilman Miller – This is maybe not for a public meeting comment.

Councilman Doty – We would have to consider the timing too. Would we consider putting someone in to give them this year vacancy knowing that we have 60 days before election time to make this decision so there is time for public input?

Attorney Briggs – Can you repeat that question?

Councilman Doty – We can pick a candidate that we feel can do the appointed job and put them in as if it was going to go to an election. Sometime in this next year we could decide when we want to go to appointment so the process is a public forum. I don't know what the timing is, 90 days or 60 days.

Attorney Briggs – When you adopt a local law, which goes from what we now have to a sole appointed assessor, the current remaining elected Assessors term expires as of December 31st of the year in which the local law becomes effective. If you pass it January 15th, the two that remain will be there until December 31st but they will have no power. They get paid until the end of the year.

Councilman Favro – My part, there are 9,000 parcels. We need to maintain 100% assessment with the state. No matter which case it is here, say our assessment drops to 96%...

Supervisor Politi – It is most likely that our role is at 107% which mean that the State would adjust it backwards and reduce our assessments by 7% which would whack us.

Councilman Favro – It would whack the school. That is how big the picture is.

Supervisor Politi – I can certainly see both sides. I think the public has a tendency to want to go in and speak to somebody they know, somebody I might be able to sway or have an argument with and somebody I can have an argument with and will listen to me. That is human nature.

Attorney Briggs – That's for the Board of Assessment Review on Grievance Day. They have that power.

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Councilman Favro – Would they stay?

Attorney Briggs – Completely.

Supervisor Politi – The State of New York is really pushing for appointed assessors.

Councilman Miller – They want professionals. Aren't most counties in the state professional assessors?

Attorney Briggs – If you look at the statistics in the last ten years.

Supervisor Politi – The other thing that I want you to recognize is that Essex County does send help to North Elba a couple of days a week. The girls in many ways act or do the function that an elected assessor would do. They do that because the county has a stake too in the assessors. They want to make sure the assessors are accurate and right.

Councilman Miller – I don't think most people have a problem paying their fair share. What they don't want is to pay a certain tax and find out that someone who has a nicer house is paying less. They don't want to hear that someone else is paying less.

Supervisor Politi – People come in to grieve their assessments, they very rarely talk about their house. They talk about their neighbor.

Councilman Miller – I do respect that some people may say that they would like to vote for this person but ultimately that are saying they want a system that is fair. If you have a board certified assessor, Again we have spoken about this, they have to be board certified in order to keep their job. If they lose that certification, they lose their job.

Supervisor Politi – If you're elected, you don't have to have that.

Councilman Miller – If they are a professional, they cannot change assessments based on relationships because they will end up losing their job.

Laurie Dudley – But they have to answer to the Board. All they have to is kiss butt to be reappointed.

Supervisor Politi – It is the same thing for the person who gets elected.

Laurie Dudley – No. They have to answer to the people.

Supervisor Politi – You don't think they will be nice to everybody to get votes?

Laurie Dudley – They have to do their job in a nice fair way to get re-elected. If they are appointed for a six year term, they can do whatever they want for five years and then just a have to make five people happy for the last year to get reappointed.

Supervisor Politi – That is one of the arguments as to the weakness of an appointed assessor. The assessor would be beholding to the Board. The fact that you appoint an assessor doesn't mean that you can't un-appoint them.

Laurie Dudley – Then your back in the pool trying to find your “professional” and you are going to pay quite a bit of money to find that “professional” outside the area that is qualified or “Board Certified”.

Supervisor Politi – You would rather pay someone that is not qualified at all?

Laurie Dudley – no but some people run for something because you feel it's your duty for the community. Why are you Supervisor? Why are you all on the Board? It's because you feel as though you are doing it for the community.

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Supervisor Politi – In all honesty, the Assessor's function is more sophisticated in many ways than the Supervisor or the Councilman or the Highway superintendent or the Chief of Police. The Assessor has to be more qualified.

Laurie Dudley – The people that complain are always going to complain no matter what professional is in there. The people that sue are going to sue.

Supervisor Politi – I want to take politics out of it. I don't think it's an issue whether to vote or not. The issue is the same when you are looking at candidates for a job you want to hire the person who is most qualified. That is the only argument here. Provided they don't get in trouble.

Councilman Miller - I agree with you. The goal really is to take politics out of the position. While I certainly understand Laurie's point, when it is elected there is a tendency that the elected person may feel it would behoove them reward politically active people in this community who are politically powerful so that they can get reelected.

Attorney Briggs – For example, what if I owned a hotel and I formed a committee to work hard for a particular candidate and funded that candidacy.

Supervisor Politi – I think you could make the argument here either way.

Laurie Dudley – The both of you are in real estate and are appraisers. There could be conflict there too.

Supervisor Politi – I don't agree with you.

Councilman Miller – I take offence to that, slightly.

Councilman Doty – I don't want you to think, Laurie that we are going in one direction. We haven't even taken all of the candidates and looked at them to see where we are at. We are really just discussing our options.

Supervisor Politi – Larry, how do you think the people feel about it? You went through it.

Superintendent Straight – I think the people want the choice. Like they said five years ago, we were smart enough to elect you as Supervisor but we are not smart enough to elect someone else? I also agree that the job needs a professional.

Supervisor Politi – A majority of people who show interest in a job like that there very few that are qualified. You and I can walk outside and look at the streets and I can say the roads need to be plowed. That is not the same as looking at a 200 unit hotel and saying where do we start in going about valuating this thing.

Attorney Briggs – You have management skills. You run a crew so your management skills have a lot to do with how the department runs.

Supervisor Politi – There isn't a lot of management skills in the assessor's job.

Superintendent Straight – The election worked for how many years?

Supervisor Politi – It's easy when you get someone who is in there 30 years.

Laurie Dudley – He didn't know the business when he started. He wasn't even educated in the business.

Attorney Briggs – When he started, the Town wasn't the same place.

Councilman Miller – There is a reason all over the state they are switching to professionals.

Supervisor Politi – I'm curious what people think. I have no problem going either way if I have candidates that are qualified.

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Councilman Doty – At our work session in January we'll have to devote time to this.

Supervisor Politi – No, I think we have to do it sooner. Margaret is up there alone.

Councilman Miller – Do you want to set a date to talk to one or more.

Supervisor Politi- We need to setup a committee to review those things and then decide and go from there. I think that once you talk to individuals and see what their feeling is it will really be the focal point of the decision.

Councilman Miller – The best candidate for the position.

Supervisor Politi – It was important to have this discussion. Jessica is going to write about it. I am curious to know how people feel about it. It is not something we discussed at all. I would like to know how Art Jubin and Jim Bishop feel about it. They have already told us that they don't want to do the job. They don't want to get into that position because of the amount of time and effort that it requires. I have to tell you because I do this all the time, going to an office up there and having to be faced with having to look at determining whether the 8,500 parcel information is accurate is somewhat overwhelming. It was easy for Kim because he did it for so long. A new person coming in is not going to be easy.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Supervisor Politi – Larry, one of the things that came up today that I wasn't aware of until Peggy Mousaw brought it to me attention was that there is this grant the Village received for Safe Sidewalks. They utilized their portion of the money. There's \$120,000 that's Town money. She said it was technically supposed to be utilized by within the next few months. However, we could never have done it anyway because it applied to Old Military Road and it was under construction so you could never have gotten that work done anyway.

Superintendent Straight – When did this happen?

Supervisor Politi – We weren't told. Brad told me about it the other day. He asked if I was aware of it and I told him I wasn't. It was for Newman Road and Old Military Road. If I can get that extended for another year, is it something that we could use. We talked about not putting in a sidewalk but widening the road.

Superintendent Straight – We talked about it briefly before and whether we had the right of way.

Attorney Briggs – I haven't checked that. If we did have the sufficient width, then would we put a sidewalk in?

Councilman Doty – I thought Brad put in a sidewalk all the way out to Newman out to the corner.

Superintendent Straight – Not on Newman. Newman is outside of the Village.

Supervisor Politi – We had talked about going on the right hand side because that side is not usable. The USOC can't utilize it because there is a brook in there. You could steal a couple of feet all the way through. On the other side you have to take people's lawns. I will talk to Tony LaVigne and see what he can do.

Superintendent Straight – There was discussion at one time about a county wide program to do bike paths. It fell by the wayside.

Supervisor Politi – From the corner of Old Military Rd and Newman going back to the Corner Store on the USOC side is a long run where you wouldn't bother anybody until you get down to Ted Cave's place. We would have to figure out how to get to the other side of the road near Strack's. You wouldn't necessarily need a sidewalk. You could put a white line or walking lane.

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Superintendent Straight – It depends what the grant requires.

Attorney Briggs – They might want you to put in a sidewalk.

Supervisor Politi – I will ask Tony.

APPROVE AUDITS AS PER AUDIT #'S

Supervisor Politi – We need to approve the audits.

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CLAIMS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT 12/10/2013			
	Regular	Prepaid	Totals
A FUND GENERAL FUND	97444.45	30442.06	127886.51
B FUND GENERAL OUTSIDE VILLAGE	38.61		38.61
DB FUND TOWN OUTSIDE VILLAGE HIGHWAY	14589	12946.65	27535.65
H01 SECURITY/PERIMETER FENCE AIRPORT CAP. PROJECT			0
H02 -BLOCK HANGAR REHABILITATION AIRPORT CAP. PROJECT			0
H03 - 5 BAY T HANGAR			0
H04-C&D WASTE CELL			0
H05- CRAIG WOOD GOLF COURSE CONSTRUCTION			0
H07-RUNWAY REHAB			0
H08-AIRPORT MASTER PLAN	3001.43		3001.43
H11 TAXIWAY -APRON EXPANSION			0
H41-REC (BIKE) PATH			0
RD03-THIEANOQUEN WAY ROAD DISTRICT	5166		5166
RD04-TAHAWUS WAY ROAD DISTRICT			0
SF1- FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 1			0
SF2- FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 2			0
SF3 - FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 3			0
SP PARK DISTRICT	34506.81	112044.96	146551.77
SS21 CONSOLIDATED SEWER DISTRICT	5645.45		5645.45
SW1 SEWER DISTRICT #1			0
SW2 MCKENZIE			0
SW3 RAY BROOK	26364.83	73.8	26438.63
T TRUST & AGENCY			0
TE PRIVATE PURPOSE TRUST			0
Batch 1341-1346	186756.58	155507.47	342264.05
132308; 32512-132526; 132528-132530; 132532-132535; 132559-132602; 132633-132702			
Batch 999 (Payroll)	0	44339.42	44339.42
132536-132558; 132603-132632			
Batch - HELD	UNPAID VOUCHERS		
	0		0
	0	0	0
DELETED VOUCHERS:			
132527, 132531			

Councilman Favro moved and Councilman Doty seconded the motion to approve the audits as written and presented. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by those present.

ADJOURNMENT

There being further business to come before the Town Board, Councilman Miller moved and Councilman Doty seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurie Curtis Dudley, Town Clerk