

Regular Town Board Meeting
February 13, 2007

Minutes of a Regular Town Board Meeting held on the above date beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the meeting room of the North Elba Town Hall, 2693 Main Street, Lake Placid, New York.

Members Present: Shirley W. Seney, Supervisor, Councilman Jay Rand, Derek Doty, Chuck Damp and Denice Fredericks, Deputy Town Clerk.

Members Excused: Jack Favro.

Others Present: Norm Harlow, Jim Morganson, William Kissel, Chris Knight and Rebecca Steffan.

Supervisor Seney called the Regular Town Board Meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. by asking everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Seney then asked for a motion on the minutes of January 9, 2007.

Councilman Damp moved and Councilman Damp seconded the motion to approve the minutes as written and presented. There being no discussion the motion was unanimously carried by Board Members present.

Supervisor Seney asked for a motion on the proposed agenda.

Councilman Rand moved and Councilman Damp seconded the motion to approve the agenda as presented. There being no discussion the motion was unanimously carried by Board Members present.

Supervisor Seney stated she Jeff Edwards from the Lake Placid Marathon & Ironman on the agenda as she didn't hear back from him as to whether he would be out of Town or not. She stated she will leave it on for next month.

Supervisor Seney stated that next is the Tahawas Road dedication.

Mr. Kissel stated that there is still one land owner that is still not agreeable and that being that one year has passed we are not losing any time by waiting till we have good weather as we will be back to step one anyone and that the landowners are all aware of that. He stated that next is Thenoguen and Bob Miller has attained all the signatures. He stated he would like Kathy Suzzio to look at both roads. He stated that the petitions are signed and notarized and the Bob is moving forward. He stated that some required both husband and wife signatures because the properties are in both names. He stated the next step in the process is to approve the road, show the area being benefitted and the maximum amount being expended.

Councilman Doty stated is the Engineer being hired by the Town and not the land owners?

Mr. Kissel stated that the amount of the Engineer is built into the cost of the road.

Mr. Kissel stated would you like to engage Kathy Suzzio?

Councilman Doty stated should we be looking at local Engineers? He stated should be setting limits or does this have to go to bid?

Mr. Kissel stated no.

Supervisor Seney stated I would like a motion to proceed with the Thenoguen Road dedication.

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Rand seconded the motion to proceed with the Thenoguen Road Dedication. There being no further discussion the motion was carried by the Board Members present.

Supervisor Seney stated we need a replacement for the Joint Review Board to replace Todd Rissberger. She stated this is a three year term. She stated that maybe we should advertise to see if we can find someone that interested. She stated that Olga Krone had made up a press release if we wanted to use it. She stated if no has a problem with this then we will advertise for a replacement.

Supervisor Seney we now have the Auleron Small Cities Grant, Bill would you like to discuss this.

Mr. Kissel stated Cathy and the County IDA have met and made an arrangement for them to administer the grant. he stated that it is a very positive move to use the IDA and that there will have to be an agreement between us and the grant recipient. He stated that this is coming right along.

Supervisor Seney stated next is the update on the Land Works completion of the Code.

Supervisor Seney stated that the completion of the code should be May 31, 2007.

Councilman Damp stated that since September there have been some lengthy sessions with many issues such as proposed project changes and district maps. He stated there is still a lot of input necessary.

Supervisor Seney stated Joe Lamb and John Eldridge will be retiring as well.

Supervisor Seney stated that the six soccer field grant is \$39,000. and we need \$42,000. She stated that our share will be in kind services. She stated that Butch should be the one in charge of this and maybe he can get with Angel as she was the one that got the grant.

Norm Harlow stated the cost of the land should almost be that much.

Councilman Damp stated that we should know who controls the land before you qualify for the grant. He stated maybe we should go to the groups that will benefit from the grant if we need to.

Norm Harlow stated that the cost of the road alone will eat it up.

Supervisor Seney stated at the request of the Budget Officer, we need to make a motion to approve of the transfer of funds presented that will be attached to these minutes.

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Damp seconded the motion to approve of the transfer of funds as requested by the Budget Officer. There being no discussion the motion was unanimously approved by the Board Members presented.

Supervisor Seney we need a motion to approve of Britt Pickard as a full time clerk for the Code Enforcement office effective 2/8/2007 at the rate of pay of \$12.00 per hour.

Councilman Damp moved and Councilman Doty seconded the motion to approve of the hiring of Britt Pickard as clerk for the Code Enforcement Office effective 2/8/07. There being no discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by Board Members present.

Supervisor Seney asked for approval of the 2007 Craig Wood golf rates as recommended by Butch Martin. She stated the rates will be part of the minutes.

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Rand seconded the motion to approve of the 2007 Craig Wood golf rates as recommended by Butch Martin. There being no discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by Board Members present.

Supervisor Seney asked for a motion to approve the transfer of Jennifer Mihill full time as clerk in the Justice Office effective 2/16/2007 at \$12.89 per hour with a conditional increase when she passes the civil service test to become court clerk.

Councilman Rand moved and Councilman Doty seconded the motion to approve the transfer of Jennifer Mihill as full time clerk in the Justice Office effective

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2/16/07. There being no discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by Board Members present.

Supervisor Seney asked for a motion to approve Laurie Dudley as a full time clerk in the Assessor's office effective 2/16/2007 at the rate of \$12.00 per hour.

Councilman Damp moved and Councilman Doty seconded the motion to approve Laurie Dudley as a full time clerk in the Assessor's office effective 2/16/2007. There being no discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by Board Members present.

Supervisor Seney asked for a motion to make Kathleen Labbate full time in the Budget office effective 2/16/2007 at the rate of pay of \$13.23 per hour.

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Rand seconded the motion to approve the full time position of Kathleen Labatte in the Budget Office effective 12/16/2007. There being no discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by Board Members present.

Supervisor Seney stated we need to approve Rose Van Wormer attending a one day OSHA workshop in Albany on 3/23/07 at the cost of \$199.00.

Councilman Damp moved and Councilman Doty seconded the motion to approve Rose Van Wormer to attend the 1 day OSHA class in Albany. There being no discussion the motion was unanimously carried by Board Members present.

Supervisor Seney stated we need to review employees group life insurance plan.

Councilman Damp stated this is a great benefit and very worth while. He stated that we need benefits for retirees with the AARP option they could save \$200.00 a month.

Supervisor Seney stated we need to encourage Pam and Tish to move forward on the whole retirement package it really makes sense.

Councilman Damp stated we hope to have the health insurance benefits in place by next fall.

Supervisor Seney stated that the Guardian Insurance has agreed to look at the retirees on a case by case basis.

Councilman Damp stated I think we should go forward and get the real numbers from Tish.

Supervisor Seney stated that we need to approve the sale of surplus highway items being the old elgin sweeper, snowblower from the Airport and 2 electric cars.

Councilman Damp moved and Councilmen Doty and Rand seconded the motion for the sale of surplus items from the highway. There being no discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by Board Members present.

Supervisor Seney stated that we need a Proclamation for National Volunteer Week from April 23rd to April 29th. She stated without volunteers how could it all get done.

Councilman Damp moved and Councilman Doty seconded the motion to approve the week of April 23rd to April 29th National Volunteer Week. There being no discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by the Board members present.

Supervisor Seney stated we received the Adirondack Landfill post-closure monitoring 2006 report. She stated it is in her office if any one would like to read it. She stated it was a very good report.

Supervisor Seney stated next is the Saranac Lake Village water line proposal for ray Brook. She stated Derek would you like to go over this.

Councilman Doty stated we met with the Saranac Lake Village to explore the water issue. He stated the State and Federal did not want to do

Gary but not by the village. He stated they have numerous reasons not to meet the recommendation.

Councilman Doty stated that the Town has taken the first step in working together with the fire contracts, water and sewer rates for Town residents. He stated that with trying to consolidate Norm was Highway Superintendent for the Town and Village both for about 5-6 weeks before that fell apart. He stated that with all the commercial inspection we will face new consequences. He stated that we have taken a giant step backwards. He stated that he suggests that we do hire Gary at the interviews he did very well and he will be perfect for the position. He stated that Jim has a plan all organized for his department.

Jim Morganson stated thank you Derek I couldn't of said it better myself.

Councilman Doty stated we have to get the new person started on a training program and we are already 2 months behind on State mandates.

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Damp seconded the motion to hire Gary Bliss as the Building & Zoning Code Enforcement Officer to start 2/16/07 with his salary to be determined in Executive Session. Discussion?

Councilman Rand stated he is comfortable with it, Gary is a good dependable reliable person. He stated that we followed the process.

Supervisor Seney stated I agree he is a good solid citizen and has always been fair. She stated let's go forward with a positive attitude.

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

Councilman Doty stated he is struggling with the MOU and the \$57,000. grant for the consolidation study when we can't even set down to a table and come to common understanding. He stated he doesn't feel good about spending that money that taxpayers have raised in good faith.

Supervisor Seney stated what are you suggesting we get in touch with Senator Little and thank her for her generosity but that we feel...

Councilman Doty stated I don't know if the \$57,000. was granted to the Village for this study or granted to both. He stated till we can sit down and make some ground with these decisions...Pat Gallagher and I set down for an hour and a half.

Councilman Damp stated that you have to hold down hope there is an election coming that maybe there will be a changing of the guard and maybe there will be somebody with a different attitude toward some of this. He stated this at least gives us an idea of the areas we can attack first. He stated I think the money has already been granted we have put the RFP's out have they been awarded?

Supervisor[Seney stated no we are going to meet in March.

Supervisor Seney stated we now have an assistant in there and we will see how it goes. She stated Derek thank you for all your work.

Councilman Doty stated how do you take a letter from the State of New York that is going to say yes your DPW it looks right here you could save \$200,000. and you know that our best effort only lasted 6 weeks.

Supervisor Seney stated in the mean time we have your assistant in there and we will see how it goes. She stated Derek thank you for the work that you have put into it. She stated Jay and are meeting the 1st of March with the liaisons from the Village which are Jamie, Pat and Angel and we will be interviewing the three firms we have chosen.

Supervisor Seney stated we have a letter from Ted Blazer on the Olympic Center Conference expansion that he has written to us. She stated that she has heard that some people would like a public hearing and I know we have not contributed any money to this, this is a ORDA gift from the Governor and I don't know if you are

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comfortable with this or not. The letter reads we have communicated the intentions of the project to the Town verbally and by a written correspondence during the schematic design phase and the input we have received from both of our community groups from the Town and ORDA liaisons and the project will result in multiple benefits to the Town of North Elba residents. She stated they look forward to the written response in accordance to the above referenced memorandum of understanding which we have dated July 12, 1983. She stated Bill I can't find that? She stated I will call Ted and ask him for a copy. She stated that they respectfully request the approval for permission of the undertaking of the Capital Improvement of the Olympic Center.

Councilman Doty stated I give them my 100% support.

Supervisor Seney stated that there is 3,000 square feet in that building for Lake Placid Visitors Bureau and I don't want to lose that I know they will have to go to the Beach House while construction is going on but I don't want to see them lose that space in that area.

Councilman Doty stated I don't think ORDA would ever even push that. He stated just the awareness of the Visitors Bureau in directing people as where to go in the community that is where that fits.

Supervisor Seney stated that she will get the MOU from Ted and then Bill can help me write the letter but I won't send it without your approval.

Supervisor Seney stated that Bev Reid did a wonderful report as the Town of North Elba/Village of Lake Placid Historian. She stated our condolences go out to her in the loss of her husband.

Supervisor Seney stated the Hebrew Memorial Cemetery I met with the group from Saranac Lake with Derek and Cathy. She stated Bill they are asking for funds and apparently they are suppose to be getting the interest from the money that they gave us to do their repairs with but they need more. She stated maybe we could set up a meeting with Mrs. Laduke and Kitty Pechtial and get it straightened out. She stated in 1994 the Jewish Cemetery of Saranac Lake turned over their Cemetery to the Town of North Elba in which we were suppose to be giving it some sort of care. She stated they gave us \$20,000. which we put into a fund and earned interest on it and that check was December 12, 1995.

Mr. Kissel stated that the agreement that we signed at that time was all subject to court approval. He stated that we are to use the income from the \$20,000. income for maintenance for the cemetery.

Supervisor Seney stated that are looking for more money.

Mr. Kissel stated that the agreements seems to say that the Cemetery and \$20,000. are yours Town of North Elba and we took it and we agreed to maintain it. He stated there is this money earning interest that we are suppose to use.

Supervisor Seney stated they are looking for money for the Pine Ridge Cemetery for maintenance and the Pine Ridge Cemetery is not part of this agreement.

Councilman Doty stated what they are going to do is contact the original donors or those that are still alive from the \$20,000. and see what their feelings are in taking us out as trustee we really don't belong in the Cemetery business like we are as trustee for this money and get that money turned over to the Cemetery committee kind of where the money belongs in the first place.

Mr. Kissel stated that there is a lot of stuff in here including the court order which says we are in the Cemetery business statutorily and that we do belong in this Cemetery business. He stated I don't have problem with whatever we have to do but it will definitely have to go back to court for the courts review and approval.

Councilman Damp stated if a family wanted to buy a plot in the Jewish Cemetery where do they buy it?

Supervisor Seney stated they buy it from us Barbara has the maps.

Mr. Kissel stated what is there proposal?

Councilman Doty stated they are going to try to secure this \$20,000.

Mr. Kissel stated what do they want the Town to do or not do?

Supervisor Seney stated they want money from us to maintain the Jewish Cemetery and they also would like...

Mr. Kissel stated we are obligated to maintain the Jewish Cemetery.

Supervisor Seney stated they have been maintaining it.

Mr. Kissel stated there is a provision in here that we can contract with them.

Councilman Doty stated that is what we have done.

Mr. Kissel stated does anybody know the terms of that agreement?

Councilman Doty stated Cathy has that agreement and what we have been doing out of the context of that money is giving \$500.00 a year.

Mr. Kissel stated it says in the court order that in no event shall the annual contract price between us and the Pine Ridge Cemetery exceed the lesser of the annual income of the perpetual fund which is the \$20,000. the actual costs to provide and maintain.

Councilman Doty stated that for the last few years we haven't even touched that fund.

Supervisor Seney stated we have been giving it to them out of the general fund.

Mr. Kissel stated the order says we can hire them to do that Cemetery but that we cannot pay them more than the lesser of the actual costs or the amount of annual return.

Councilman Doty stated when we met we said does it make sense that we remain trustee when you have an organization that looks after the Cemetery.

Councilman Doty stated they want an increase of what we can allocate to them.

Supervisor Seney stated they want all the interest plus the donation we're giving to Pine Ridge Cemetery.

Councilman Damp stated how much would it cost us formally to maintain a two acre Cemetery?

Norm Harlow stated if we were doing the graves and everything?

Councilman Doty stated \$40,000.00.

Councilman Damp stated then it sounds like we might want to go back to that table and help them.

Norm Harlow stated have they spoken to DOC to see if they can give them help over there?

Councilman Doty stated I am not sure they would know how to go about it. I will contact Kitty and get something going there.

Mr. Kissel stated what is going to happen next.

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Councilman Doty stated I am going to contact them to contact DOC and as a Board I think we should consider upping a little bit of the interest that it earns and still give them a contribution.

Mr. Kissel stated because there is a court order I really don't want anything done unless we have a written proposal from somebody from you or from them or a combination.

Supervisor Seney stated it probably should come from us and you should write it.

Mr. Kissel stated I need to understand what it is first.

Supervisor Seney stated would you like me as Chairman of the Advisory Board to speak to DOC. She stated she will check with the new guy at Gabriels and will let the Board know.

Supervisor Seney stated the Town Offices will be closed Monday 2/19/2007 for President's Day Holiday.

Supervisor Seney stated the Town of Keene brings there public transit service bus wants to bring the bus in to bring people grocery shopping and we don't need to tell them yes or no it is just a courtesy they are doing to let us know that they would like to bring the bus to Lake Placid. She stated I told them I was sure we would all agree to this and that there was no problem.

Supervisor Seney stated that at the request of our Highway Superintendent we need to approve the purchase of a 1 ton dump truck with plow on State Contract that Norm has found that he can purchase not to exceed \$35,000. She stated it is a budgeted item.

Norm Harlow stated it is one of the ones that have been in the plan we have spoke about possible getting it earlier because of the Loj Road. He stated the trucks weren't on State Contract but we just got a thing from the Comptroller that this truck is available.

Councilman Damp moved and Councilman Doty seconded the motion to approve of purchase of a 1 ton dump truck under State Contract as requested by the Highway Superintendent. There being no discussion, the motion was unanimously approved by Board Members present.

Supervisor Seney stated that the Adirondack park is having a Local Government Day conference March 21st and 22nd here in Lake Placid and you all have a copy. She stated if you want to go make your reservations or if you want us to make them let us know. She stated if you go, turn in your registration fee and we give you a check for it.

Supervisor Seney stated we have received a letter of concern from Scott Grady and Jim has addressed it. She stated Jim you may want to address this Scott is concerned that he is having problems with a neighbor and it isn't our problem as much as it is the County's because it is DFW that has allowed some of these things to happen. She stated Jim did write a letter to Scott that did go out today that will try to explain this to Scott. She stated Jim has tried to work with Scott on several occasions.

She stated Jim how long has this been going on.

Jim Morganson stated to long actually Shirley it went on all Summer. He stated that the gentlemen name you see on the paper not that complantee but the person causing the complaint we sort of can't teach common sense too. He stated unfortunately the County said you can have a temporary access and that is what started the whole thing and I don't know how we are going to resolve it. he stated he has to build along road up through a rather wet area and when that is said and done it will probably be worse then what he has. He stated I can't find the common ground and right now Scott

Norm Harlow stated the County doesn't have a problem with the driveway as far as that goes Scott has his driveway on the road as do other people so it's not that big of an issue.

Supervisor Seney stated how are we handling this with this guy.

Jim Morganson stated let's go right where you said Shirley, Mr. Buck and I will talk to him and we will start over.

Supervisor Seney stated we will see if between the two of us we can't do something. She stated he really is frustrated he has been at this since 2005 and the neighbor just doesn't care what goes on I guess.

Jim Morganson stated I don't have great news for Scott but the short term good news is that we did keep the neighbor from building a structure in front of him and that was his major concern in the beginning.

Councilman Damp asked does Scott own the land in front of him? He stated is there a reason the guy can't build in front of him?

Jim Morganson stated the train of thought is that this is the Olympic Hills subdivision and he has to access it from Olympic Hills he can't come in off Averyville Road. He stated he would bring the property owner back to the planning Board.

Norm Harlow stated if he puts the driveway where they want him to put the driveway it may create some drainage problems.

Supervisor Seney stated is this a private owners problem with another private owner and they should be figuring out by themselves or should we get involved in it.

Jim Morganson stated I will defer to your guidance and get Essex County involved in it and after that we will get the Planning Board involved in it and we may not give him the answer he wants but we will be done with it.

Supervisor Seney stated we also got a letter from the North Elba Land Conservancy from Audrey Hyson. She asked do you know anything about this Conservancy that they have started where you individuals, businesses and government bodies will introduce people to the North Elba Land Conservancy. She stated it provides interested landowners who may wish to protect land resources on their land thru a donation of property or conservation easement this donation could result in significant tax advantages to the donors.

Supervisor Seney stated Chuck do you know what this is about?

Councilman Damp stated it is sort of like a land trust they are just doing it on a local basis.

Supervisor Seney stated they have a matching grant of \$13,500. being used to create maps of the Town which will allow them to identify critical community lands, trails and scenic resources. She stated I guess what they she is asking of us is to promote their name.

Supervisor Seney stated Ken Jubin sent me an e-mail which I copied to everybody on the Zoning and Planning Boards needing as of the 1st of January then Jim points out to me on the January-February Association of Towns if we feel that our people are well trained we don't have to follow this it's not as mandated as I was concerned that it might be. She stated Jim will pick up more information when he goes to New York.

Supervisor Seney stated Howard Daby who has been with us for over 20 years has submitted his letter of resignation to retire on the February 28th. She stated Pam has sent out notices of a job vacancy and we are interviewing, we haven't yet come up with the right person but we are still interviewing.

Supervisor Seney stated on the other thing on Lawson Office Products we are still working on the credit but we were over charged in 2006 by \$2,650.00 because of the

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miscount of the color prints and they have given us a credit memo and they are working on giving us another credit.

Supervisor Seney stated Bill do you have any Attorney reports?

Mr. Kissel stated no I don't but I was wondering if you are going to do anything with the Board of Assessment Review Member terms at this meeting?

Supervisor Seney stated I had it on here but somehow I must of lost it. She stated I have it right here.

Supervisor Seney stated at the request of the Assessor's office we need to appoint Al Drake for a one year term as an alternate to the Board of Review from October 1, 2006 to September 30, 2007 they are late in bringing this recommendation to us and Virginia Gilmore to renew her as a member for a five year term from October 1, 2006 to September 30, 2011.

Councilman Damp moved and Councilman Rand seconded the motion for the Board of Review appointments. There being no discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by Board members present.

Supervisor Seney stated we did have an request from Mr. Spoor for legal and engineering fees for a foil request for a ZBA appeals for the Brockway case and himself. He stated we have given him the requested information.

Supervisor Seney stated under Essex County reports the Mayor has written a letter to the Noel Merrihew as Chairman of the Board giving them a resolution from the Lake Placid Village that they support a 1/4 percent local sales increase to be shared with the Counties, Towns and Villages. She stated the resolution is there and I think Jamie put it in all of your packets.

Supervisor Seney stated the jail is coming along and we think we are going to be in it by another couple of months.

Supervisor Seney stated that there has been some talk about the Horace Nye Nursing Home we did meet Monday with a representative that's taking to us about there purchasing the nursing home and giving us some ideas as to what can be done. She stated no decision was made but they are looking at the possibility of privatizing there is nothing set in stone they are just looking at different aspects so they can see whether or not it is something or not we should follow or if we should continue to support the Nursing Home.

Councilman Damp stated in regards to North country Community College I understand that we are kind of late in the over all scheme of things but I would hope that e encourage them to explore every possibility to stay where they are.

Supervisor Seney stated I think they are.

Councilman Damp stated I know that Shirley but I think in support of the Village and the Town of Harrietstown I think I would like to see us move past and informal encouragement and do as they did which was some type of writing or something like that.

Supervisor Seney stated I myself think that this is something that the North Country Community College Board is working on and until they come along with it we should let them make their determination as a Board.

Councilman Damp stated I disagree with you because I think they are in a informative stages now and I think it's the time to at least voice an opinion.

Supervisor Seney stated it's kind of difficult for me being on the Board that is working with them and the County to bring back all the information that I should. She stated I shouldn't do anything right now but remain neutral.

understands where we are with that. He stated I think we should stay in the loop it will only help us. He stated they want to keep the rescue and the fire department as one entity and right now there is some law on the books that says that a rescue that is part of a fire cannot bill back that only rescue departments that are a separate entity can bill back to the patient. He stated there are a couple of bills being floated right now we are probably going to need to write a letter very shortly in support of one of those bills that allows them as well as a number of other North Country fire departments to stay together the fire and the rescue to stay together and still bill the rescue part of it back.

Supervisor Seney asked for a motion to approve the audits per the audit numbers as follows:

Abstract # 1 for the month of January, 2007.

Town General: The total is \$56,682.06 with the following voucher numbers; 20070045-20070069; 20070086-20070099; 20070101-20070108; 20070117; 2007122-20070129; 20070132; 20070134-20070135; 20070137; 20070141-20070150.

Part Town: The Total is \$1,076.45 with the following voucher numbers; 20070070; 20070120-2070121; 2070146; 20070151.

Townwide Highway Fund (DA): The total is \$29,031.22 with the following voucher numbers; 20070071-20070074; 20070109-20070116; 2007152-20070154.

Town outside of Village Fund(DB) The total is \$1,000.00 with the following voucher number; 20070075.

Park District (SP): The total is \$9,138.19 with the following voucher numbers; 20070039-20070044; 20070079-20070086; 20070118; 20070130-20070131; 20070133; 20070136; 20070138-20070139; 20070146; 20070150.

Water District #1 (SW1): The total is \$78,827.42 with the following voucher number: 20070077.

Water District #2 (SW2): The total is \$1,724.64 with the following voucher number: 20070076.

Ray Brook water (SW3): The total is \$16,195.72 with the following voucher number: 20070078.

Capital projects (H32)-Adk Loj Road: The total is \$21,445.95 with the following voucher number; 20070100; 20070155-20070164.

Total claims is \$215,121.65.

Councilman Damp moved and Councilman Doty seconded the motion to approve of the audits to be paid as presented. There being no discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by Board Members present.

Supervisor Seney asked for a motion to go into Executive Session for a legal matter.

Councilman Doty stated should I also add because Jim has a new hire should we do any speaking as to or do you have a week.. if you are going to hire Gary Thursday then pay period every two week right so we need to set a salary pretty quick so do you want to get together with Pam and make a recommendation to us whether it is based on probationary then changing to something else or whatever.

Jim Morganson stated I will get with Pam first thing in the morning. He stated the other thing I need to do is start him with training right away.

Councilman Doty stated we are behind already do you anything planned?

Jim Morganson stated I am going to be gone three days next week and I would like to take him with me. He stated I know that is a burden and I apologize for that.

Supervisor Seney stated I don't think we have the money available for that we will

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have to check with Cathy to see. She stated a lot of the Board is not going and maybe we can make a transfer. She stated I don't know if we can get him a room at this late date.

Jim Morganson stated I appreciate what you have did here tonight and we will take all the positive steps forward. He stated thank you very much.

Supervisor Seney stated we will work out what we can but I don't know if it is to late to get a room.

Jim Morganson stated I know it is very complicated but we will get rolling and thank you for your help here tonight, thank you very much.

Councilman Damp moved and Councilman Doty seconded the motion to go into Executive Session at 9:25 p.m. for a legal matter. There being no discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by Board members present.

Councilman Rand moved and Councilman Doty seconded the motion to come out of Executive Session and go into Regular Session with no motions to be made and adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denice P. Fredericks
Deputy Town Clerk

