

March 15, 2012

Regular Town Board Meeting

Present: Supervisor Urban Hirschey, Councilman Mickey Orvis, Councilman Brooks Bragdon, Councilman Clif Schneider, Councilman John Byrne, Highway Superintendent Dan Hubbard, Dave Croft, Attorney Mark Gebo and approximately 25 residents.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Supervisor spoke about the Public Hearing that was scheduled for 6pm. He told everyone that the smoking ordinance was too restrictive and the Board felt that it needed revision. The Board will revise the ordinance and present it again at another time.

No one wished to participate in Privilege of the Floor.

The minutes of the Feb. 19, 2012 meeting were accepted by Councilman Orvis, seconded by Councilman Bragdon. The minutes of the March 8, 2012 special meeting were accepted by Councilman Schneider, seconded by Councilman Bragdon. All were in favor.

Financial report-Councilman Bragdon reviewed the balances in the accounts. He said that a sales tax payment came in and that the figures are up. Councilman Byrne made a motion to accept the financial report, seconded by Councilman Schneider.

Planning Board-Councilman Bragdon reported on the meeting. He said the Planning Board approved a new set of by-laws, appointed a new secretary, reviewed and are putting together new rates. They will present the new rates to the Town Board for their approval.

Highway-Dan Hubbard reported that the salt is in good supply. That the trucks have been hauling gravel and repairing plow divots. He said the County has the DEC permits for work to be done on County Rt. 6. They have helped the village and have done some tree and brush work. Dan spoke about grant money available for chip boilers and said that he could have someone come down and talk to the Board about this. Dan also spoke about the swallow wart program. He would like a letter mailed to the residents to let them know that they will be spraying and ask homeowners to let the town know if they locate it on their property. This will save a lot of time looking for it.

Water-Dave reported that the water system is working well and they are still replacing pumps and vaults. He reported that National Grid had him shut the water plant down for a short time so that they could do some preventive maintenance.

Recreation Park-Dave said that the building has had a lot of use. He went over the Recreation Park policy and said that it had not been updated since 1998. He went over the proposed changes and asked the Board to accept the new policy.

Village-Councilman Byrne reported that he attended the village meeting and reviewed the events of the meeting. Supervisor Hirschey said that the Mayor contacted him to ask why the Town Board was attending the Village meetings and he said that it was in the interest of coordination between the Village and Town and that he did not want to offend anyone by doing this.

School-Councilman Schneider reported on the T. I. school meeting. The budget will be adopted April 10. Councilman Bragdon asked if he knew what the timing is on the Governor making State Aide available and Councilman Schneider reported no news on that yet.

ZBA-Councilman Schneider reported that he attended the meeting and reviewed the meetings events.

CVLDC-Supervisor Hirschey gave a report of the last meeting and said that they were happy over a grant that Metal Craft has received.

Supervisor Hirschey reported that DANC will give the financial information to the Town and an audit will be done after the April 15 tax date. Supervisor Hirschey told everyone that the review of the water lines will take a month or two and be a lot of hard work. He said that the Town needs to look into the fairness of the various districts. Supervisor Hirschey said that the Board will table their decision on making funding available to the Library and Food Bank.

#### RESOLUTION #19 – 2012

Moved by Councilman Schneider, seconded by Councilman Orvis. The following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES           5           Hirschey, Orvis, Bragdon, Schneider, Byrne  
                  NAYS            0

WHEREAS, the Recreation Park Use Policy has not been amended since March 12, 1998 and  
WHEREAS, the Director of Recreation Park has seen changes in the use of the building and feels the need to update the Policy, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board accept the new Town of Cape Vincent Recreation Park Policy as amended.

#### RESOLUTION #20

Moved by Councilman Schneider, seconded by Councilman Bragdon. The following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES           5           Hirschey, Orvis, Bragdon, Schneider, Byrne  
                  NAYS            0

WHEREAS, the Town of Cape Vincent has hired the law firm Shulman, Curtin and Grundner to review the update of the Zoning laws and the Comprehensive plan, and

WHEREAS, to pay for these services there needs to be an amendment to the 2012 budget to increase the General Fund Outside appropriations fund B8010.4 from 2000.00 to 18000.00, now therefore be it  
RESOLVED, to authorize the Supervisor to amend the budget.

There was the following discussion. Councilman Orvis asked if the \$18000.00 would be the maximum.

A motion was made by Councilman Byrne to adjourn to executive session at 6:40pm, seconded by Councilman Bragdon.

A motion was made by Councilman Orvis to resume the regular meeting at 6:51pm, seconded by Councilman Byrne.

Bills: General Fund #88-130, \$28040.04; Highway #53-82, \$23236.12; WD 1 #17-23, \$3715.16; WD 3 #3, \$6010.00.

Motion to adjourn at 7:15pm by Councilman Orvis, seconded by Councilman Schneider.

