

Present: Supervisor Urban Hirschey, Councilman Mickey Orvis, Councilman Brooks Bragdon, Councilman Clif Schneider, Councilman John Byrne, Dave Croft, Highway Superintendent Dan Hubbard, Attorney Mark Gebo and approximately 23 residents.

Supervisor Hirschey opened the meeting at 6:01 pm with the pledge of allegiance.

Privilege of the floor: Richard Edsall

Mr. Edsall stated a letter he had directed to the Town Board, followed up by a phone conversation with Supervisor Hirschey, had not been responded to in the proposed time frame. Mr. Edsall agreed to re-contact Supervisor Hirschey sometime over the next two weeks to set up a meeting to discuss the issues laid out in his letter.

The Minutes of Regular Town Board Meeting of 19 April 2012 were presented. It was moved by Councilman Schneider to accept with no changes, Seconded by Councilman Orvis. All members voted Aye.

County Legislator Michael Docteur reported:

Jefferson County passed a resolution supporting "Mark's Law", a change to existing NYS Penal law. Mr. Docteur requested a support resolution from the board while he researches revisions required by state committees and legislature to complete passage at those levels.

An initiative by Jefferson Community College to repurpose unused buildings for educational or other activities was reviewed. Studies and grants for specific facilities are being pursued.

A Financials report was offered by Councilman Bragdon. There was no discussion.

A report on the last Planning Board meeting was presented by Councilman Bragdon. There was no discussion.

Highway Superintendent Hubbard gave a report on the activities of the Highway Department. Attorney Gebo indicated he could do some research on the question of transferring Town funds between accounts. There was no discussion.

Water/Rec Park Coordinator Croft presented a report on Water Department activities and usage of Recreation Park. The meter reader needs to be replaced. Mr. Croft also gave a reminder about the 'Escape to the Cape Small Business Expo' taking place Saturday, May 19 at Rec Park. There was no discussion.

Councilman Schneider offered the School report. The recent budget was passed by 72% of the electorate. Three board seats up were secured by Eric Swenson, Jolene Radley and Eric Lantier. There was no discussion.

Councilman Schneider presented the ZBA Report. ZBA bylaw update will be discussed in the June meeting. There was no discussion.

Councilman Byrne gave a review of the last Village Board meeting. There was no discussion.

Kristy Kennedy stated CVLDC, in conjunction with the Town of Cape Vincent and the Village of Cape Vincent, has established nine goals encompassing some forty proposed projects including, but not limited to, a measure to assist a start-up winery in accessing approved water, potential farm-industry grants, USERDA grants, upgrades to Club St. area and waterfront, and improvements to East End Park. A community open house of all properties for sale is planned for June 10.

Jeff Call brought forward an update on the progress of the French Festival Committee. They can always use financial assistance as the economy has increased their costs, especially in Workers Comp expense and an expanded fireworks program. More volunteers are needed, especially for the traffic detail. Due to construction in the downtown area, a new handicapped parking area is being sought. The committee is trying to add more family-friendly activities. Supervisor Hirschey complimented Mr. Call on his volunteer service to the French Festival.

Supervisor Hirschey commented on the Cape Vincent Clinic. He assured the audience that despite the current financial difficulties of sponsoring Carthage Area Hospital, the Clinic would continue to operate with the Town and Village stepping up, if needed.

The CV Elementary School SACC (School Age Children Care) Program was discontinued but has been revitalized. The Town and Village will support the current lagging program but Supervisor Hirschey urged an effort to populate the program with at least the minimum ten participants it needs to sustain itself.

Supervisor Hirschey states that the organization which operates the Tibbetts Point Hostel has recently expressed intent to invest in some improvement to the inside of the building. He affirms, however, that per the lease agreement the Town is still responsible for outside repairs, etc.

Resolution #26 was presented. After clarifying the purpose of the resolution, Councilman Orvis moved to accept, Councilman Schneider seconded the motion. All members voted Aye.

Resolution #27 was presented. Councilman Schneider moved to accept, Councilman Bragdon seconded the motion. All members voted Aye.

Resolution #28 was presented. Councilman Bragdon requested two changes in the proposed letter to clarify the standing of the Town of Cape Vincent. Councilman Byrne moved to accept as amended, Councilman Schneider seconded the motion. Councilman Orvis abstained, Remaining members voted Aye.

Resolution #29 was presented. There was brief discussion regarding account to be used for payment of equipment; also if a resolution was needed for the proposed procurement. No changes were made to the resolution. Councilman Schneider moved to accept, Councilman Byrne seconded the motion. All members voted Aye.

Resolution #30 was presented. A question was raised as to why the Town was changing its I.T. company. Supervisor Hirschey explained the reasoning. Councilman Schneider moved to accept, Councilman Byrne seconded the motion. All members voted Aye.

Resolution #31, regarding "Mark's Law", received earlier in the meeting from County Legislator Docteur, was read by Councilman Schneider. Councilman Orvis moved to accept, Councilman Bragdon seconded the motion. All members voted Aye.

Councilman Bragdon expanded on the Real Estate Open House in Cape Vincent on June 10 between Noon and 3 pm. Anyone who has property for sale is invited to participate. The Community House will have snacks available as well as local groups to 'talk up' the area. Contact Liz Brennan for more information.

Bills:	General Fund	V#172-208	\$ 30,048.17
	Highway	V#102-127	\$ 18,530.77
	WD#1	V#31-38	\$471,180.72
	WD#3	V#5	\$ 5120.20
	WD#4	V#3	\$ 8058.00
	WD#5	V#2	\$ 2728.50

Motion to Adjourn at 7:41 p.m. by Councilman Byrne, Seconded by Councilman Orvis.

Respectfully Submitted by
Diane Doud, Deputy Town Clerk

Next regular meeting is June 21, 2012 at 6 pm at Cape Vincent Recreation Hall.