

Minutes of the Public Hearing held December 19, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. in the town hall on proposed Local Law # 3 for the year 2006, entitled, A Local Law Providing for the Administration and Enforcement of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code in the Town of Constantia.

Present: Ronald Sakonyi - supervisor
Richard Colesante, John Metzger, Andrew Kelsey,
Daniel Buck - council members
Janet Warford - town clerk
Warren Bader - town attorney

Mr. Sakonyi stated this was an update to our 1986 law now in effect and passage would bring the town into compliance with NYS.

There being no public comment Mr. Sakonyi made the motion to close the hearing, seconded by Mr. Colesante.

Carried	Sakonyi - yes	Colesante - yes	Metzger - yes
	Kelsey - yes	Buck - yes	

Minutes of the monthly Constantia town board meeting held December 19, 2006 at 7:40 p.m. in the town Hall.

Present: Ronald Sakonyi - supervisor
Richard Colesante, John Metzger, Andrew Kelsey,
Daniel Buck - council members
Janet Warford - town clerk

Others present: Warren Bader - town attorney
Nancy Butler - supervisor's clerk
David Webb - highway superintendent
John Dunham - ceo
Charles Gilkey - planning board chair
Paul Auringer - board of appeals chair

Mr. Buck made the motion to accept the minutes of the November meeting. Seconded by Mr. Metzger.

Carried	Sakonyi - yes	Colesante - yes	Metzger - yes
	Kelsey - yes	Buck - yes	

Mr. Metzger made the motion to transfer the following funds, seconded by Mr. Colesante;

\$1198.00 from A1355.4 Assessor CE to A1110.4 Justice CE
\$630 from A1990.4 Contingency to A 1220.4 Supervisor CE
\$1599 from A1355.4 Assessor CE to A1620.4 Bldg & Grounds
\$906.98 from A 3620.1 Code PS to A3620.4 Code CE
\$4153.41 DB 5130.1 Machinery PS to DB5130.4 Machinery
\$4277.42 DB5148.1 Services Other Govt's PS to DB5110.4 Gen.Repair CE

Carried	Sakonyi - yes	Colesante - yes	Metzger - yes
	Kelsey - yes	Buck - yes	

Vouchers submitted;

General Fund claims no. 393 - 432 as set forth on Abstract no. 12, dated 12/19/06.

Highway Fund claims no. 143 - 150 as set forth on Abstract no.12, dated 12/19/06.

Mr. Metzger made the motion to pay the vouchers submitted. Seconded by Mr. Kelsey.

Carried	Sakonyi - yes	Colesante - yes	Metzger - yes
	Kelsey - yes	Buck - yes	

Mr. Colesante made the motion to accept the Town Clerk's Monthly Report for November 2006. Seconded by Mr. Buck.

Carried	Sakonyi - yes	Colesante - yes	Metzger - yes
	Kelsey - yes	Buck - yes	

Mr. Metzger made the motion to accept the Supervisor's Financial Report. Seconded by Mr. Kelsey.

Carried	Sakonyi - yes	Colesante - yes	Metzger - yes
	Kelsey - yes	Buck - yes	

The town board will hold the 2006 Year-end meeting and 2007 Organizational meeting on Thursday, December 28, 2006 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the town hall.

A resignation letter has been received from John Brinzow who has served as Deputy Supervisor.

Mr. Webb addressed the board in regard to overdrafts in highway accounts. He has never overspent any account in eighteen years. This year twelve vouchers belonging to the highway department were submitted for payment that Mr. Webb was not made aware of, therefore his account balances were not the same as the supervisor's and funds had to be transferred to cover these expenditures.

Mr. Webb had asked the clerk to put out for bid for 2007 regular gasoline, diesel fuel, kerosene and fuel oil to be purchased by the town. Bids will be accepted up to 4:00 p.m. on December 26, 2006 by the town clerk.

Mr. Webb asked if the board would support his soliciting funds for a salt storage building. Mr. Sakonyi stated he would be meeting with Senator Wright in February and would request funding for this than. Mr. Kelsey made the motion that the Constantia Town Board supported Mr. Webb's endeavor for funding. Seconded by Mr. Sakonyi.

Carried	Sakonyi - yes	Colesante - yes	Metzger - yes
	Kelsey - yes	Buck - yes	

Mr. Kelsey made the motion the board move to executive session to discuss a personnel matter. Seconded by Mr. Colesante.

Carried	Sakonyi - yes	Colesante - yes	Metzger - yes
	Kelsey - yes	Buck - yes	

Mr. Sakonyi called the board meeting back to order following the executive session. With medical coverage cost going up and the town's highway employees behind other towns in pay rate Mr. Colesante made the motion highway employees receive a 4% pay raise in 2007. Seconded by Mr. Metzger.

Carried	Sakonyi - yes	Colesante - yes	Metzger - yes
	Kelsey - yes	Buck - yes	

It was noted the highway employees are doing a great job.

John Dunham gave the CEO Monthly Report. He has completed training and is all set for 2007 enforcement. His office is presently updating files and the computer program. In January the ceo will start fire inspections on commercial and public assembly buildings. He plans to do this by splitting the town in quarters and inspecting accordingly. It was questioned how he will notify property owners of such inspections. He will notify by walk ins and than go back to do an official inspection. Public notice in the Oswego County Weeklies and posted on the town web site will be done by Mr. Dunham.

Discussion was held with regard to the town's current sub-division regulations and a proposed Local Law dealing with open burning. Mr. Colesante made the motion the Planning Board review the current sub-division regulations and report back to the town board. . Seconded by Mr. Sakonyi.

Carried	Sakonyi - yes	Colesante - yes	Metzger - yes
	Kelsey - no	Buck - no	

Mr. Metzger made the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Colesante;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law, a proposed local law entitled Local Law #3 of 2006, "A local Law Providing for the Administration and Enforcement of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building code in the Town of Constantia", was presented and introduced at a regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Constantia held on November 21, 2006;and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on such proposed local law on the 19th day of December 2006 by the Town Board of the Town of Constantia and proof of publication of notice of such hearing, as required by law, having been submitted and filled, and all persons desiring to be heard in connection with said proposed local law having been heard, and said proposed local law having been in the possession of the members of the Town Board of the Town of Constantia in its final form in the manner required by Section 20 of the Municipal Home Rule of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, proposed Local Law #3 of 2006 is a type II action, there are no other interested agencies and that this Board shall act as lead agency for purposes of SEQR review; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest to enact said Proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2006.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Constantia, Oswego County, New York, DOES HEREBY ENACT proposed Local Law No.3 of 2006.

Carried	Sakonyi - yes	Colesante - yes	Metzger - yes
	Kelsey - yes	Buck - yes	

Permit fees to be charged in 2007 were discussed. At the December 28th meeting Mr. Dunham will have a listing of what surrounding towns will be charging for the board. Junkyard, site plan and road cut fees were mentioned. Mr. Webb stated we don't want to charge a road cut fee, because what we do now works well.

The Assessor's Monthly Progress report was submitted as follows; all exemption renewal notices for seniors have been mailed out and are due back by March 1, 2007. The revaluation is progressing quite nicely and we are still on schedule to have the mailing of impact notices in February. Mr. Colesante made the motion to accept the Code Enforcement Officer and Assessor's reports. Seconded by Mr. Buck.

Carried	Sakonyi - yes	Colesante - yes	Metzger - yes
	Kelsey - yes	Buck - yes	

Mr. Colesante made the motion to accept the Dog Control Officer's Report as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Metzger.

Carried	Sakonyi - yes	Colesante - yes	Metzger - yes
	Kelsey - yes	Buck - yes	

A letter dated December 15, 2006 has been received from the NY Department of State in regard to reimbursement of \$16,500 in grant funds for water, which should be received by the end of the year. The Governor's Office Small Cities Grant and Senior Citizen Grants for water projects were mentioned.

Mr. Kelsey questioned the petition process to be held with regard to forming a water district. He noted the percent necessary on the petition for passage would be 50% of assessed property value in the district. Not 50% of the property owner's signatures as the board were lead to believe. Discussion followed. The board has scheduled a work session with the water committee to be held on January 4, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss this issue as they have real concerns. Mr. Kelsey stated not to expend any money on the petition process at this point in time.

Mr. Gilkey reported the Pease Road gravel bed public comment ended last week and this issue should be completed soon and the planning board continues to work on the Tamblin sub-division.

Kevin Purcell, from Nixon Peabody spoke to the board with regard to Verizon Wireless co-locating its antennas on an SBA tower, wireless telecommunications facility located on property located at 25 Hillside Drive in the Town of Constantia. Charles Gilkey stated the Planning Board found nothing wrong with this after their site plan review and a public hearing having been held. Mr. Buck made the motion final approval be given the application of Syracuse SMSA Limited Partnership. Seconded by Mr. Metzger.

Carried	Sakonyi - yes	Colesante - yes	Metzger - yes
	Kelsey - abstain	Buck - yes	

NYS Chapter 662 of the Laws of 2006 requires four (4) hours of mandatory training for members of Planning Boards and Boards of Appeal in 2007. Tug Hill is hoping to incorporate such training in the annual conference to be held in March 2007.

A local Law providing for the use of alternate planning board members will be discussed at the next meeting.

Mr. Auringer recommended a fee be charged for placement of a sign in the front yards of properties that were requesting a variance and had to come before the Board of Appeals. This would be used as a means of notification to surrounding neighbors of variances having been requested.

Mr. Kelsey questioned the letter sent to Dana Boots. Mr. Gilkey responded as a member of the planning board Mr. Boots missed all meeting in 2006 and the letter asked for his resignation from the planning board within ten days. Kelsey asked that the supervisor be provided with a copy of such letter.

Discussion was held in regard to a petty cash fund for the justices. Supervisor Sakonyi will talk to Mrs. Simpson, Justice Clerk about such request. Mr. Kelsey made the motion Voucher 401 in the amount of \$100 for petty cash be pulled for payment at this time. Seconded by Mr. Metzger.

Carried	Sakonyi - yes	Colesante - yes	Metzger - yes
	Kelsey - yes	Buck - yes	

E-mail has been received from the Village of Cleveland requesting monetary assistance from the town for their sesquicentennial celebration. The Park & Recreation Commission will be asked to look into this funding.

Ken Macari questioned the status of funds found missing through the state audit. The supervisor has contacted the town's insurance company with regard to this and we are now awaiting restitution to be paid through the court system. Mr. Sakonyi will make an inquiry to the DA's office in regard to this matter.

Tom Moran questioned a petition being passed to form the water district, rather than a vote being held.

John Campbell questioned if money had been received for the clean-up that was done to a house in Bernhards Bay and asked for further explanation of Mr. Auringer's suggestion of sign usage by the Board of Appeals, he than suggested adjoining property owners could be notified by mail if a variance had been requested by their neighbor. Mr. Sakonyi stated the owner of the property in Bernhards Bay did the clean up, so there was no cost to the town. The board was in agreement the suggestion of writing letters of notification for a variance request to adjoining neighbors was one that could be instituted.

Mr. Buck suggested the Board of Appeals be paid a yearly stipend for their work, as the planning board was.

Mr. Baxter recommended at the towns organizational meeting the supervisor and one other member is designated representatives to the North Shore Council of Governments. They will be holding the next meeting tentatively on February 22nd in the Town of Constantia. at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Baxter has renewed the town's domain name.

Mr. Kelsey made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Colesante.

Carried	Sakonyi - yes	Colesante - yes	Metzger - yes
	Kelsey - yes	Buck - yes	