

Minutes of the Constantia Town Board meeting held January 15, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. in the town hall.

Present: Supervisor – Andrew Kelsey
Council Members – Richard Colesante, John Metzger,
Daniel Buck
Town Clerk – Clare Haynes

Others Present: Town Attorney – Warren Bader
Highway Superintendent – Wayne Woolridge
Planning Board chair – Charles Gilkey
Board of Appeals chair – Ken Macari
Water Committee chair – Michael Marr
County Legislature – James Bryant
Supervisor’s Clerk – Nancy Butler
Mayor Village of Cleveland – Mel Davis
Tug Hill Commission – Paul Baxter

Mr. Metzger made the motion to accept the minutes of the town board meeting dated December 27, 2007 and January 2, 2008. Seconded by Mr. Colesante.

Carried - Colesante – yes Metzger – yes Buck – yes
Kelsey – yes

Mr. Metzger made the motion to approve the general fund vouchers numbered 1 thru 26 and highway fund vouchers numbered 1 thru 9. Seconded by Mr. Buck.

Carried - Colesante – yes Metzger – yes Buck – yes
Kelsey – yes

Mr. Metzger made the motion to have the town returned check fee to be placed at \$25 dollars for all checks returned to the Town of Constantia. Seconded by Mr. Colesante.

Carried- Colesante – yes Metzger – yes Buck – yes
Kelsey – yes

Mr. Metzger made the motion to accept the supervisor’s report. Seconded by Mr. Colesante.

Carried - Colesante – yes Metzger – yes Buck – yes
Kelsey – yes

Mr. Kelsey made the town board aware of a notice of intention to sue the town that he found on January 7, 2008 in the supervisor’s office. There were five copies of all legal documents, they should have been forwarded to the town board. Mr. Bader was aware of the situation, he also did not receive the forms, but did speak to Mr. Sakonyi when papers were received. Mr. Bader did tell Mr. Sakonyi to notify the town’s insurance carrier, that is required so they can do their own investigation. Mr. Kelsey did not feel this was handled properly, Mr. Sakonyi should have notified the board, because of this Mr. Kelsey made the motion to remove Mr. Sakonyi from the Water Committee. There was no second. Mr. Metzger and Mr. Colesante feel that Mr. Sakonyi should have a chance to respond before removing him from the board. The town has not missed any deadlines the paperwork must be filed, and now they have one year to sue.

Mr. Woolridge made the request that he be issued a cell phone. Mr. Buck made a motion that the town issue Mr. Woolridge a cell phone. Seconded by Mr. Metzger.

Carried - Colesante – yes Metzger – yes Buck – yes
Kelsey – yes

There is a water committee meeting on January 17, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. will cover information on filling out forms for the grant. Mr. Davis the Mayor of the Village of Cleveland was in attendance and the Village is looking into the possibility that they could supply the water to Bernhards Bay. Mr. Colesante asked Mr. Davis if Mr. Pond has been in contact with him, the answer was no. Hopefully Mr. Pond will be able to help the village in getting the information, time is an issue, the district must move forward.

