

TOWN OF CONSTANTIA
MINUTES – TOWN BOARD – September 16, 2009
7:30PM – CONSTANTIA TOWN HALL

Present: Andrew Kelsey – Supervisor
Daniel Buck, Richard Colesante, John Metzger and Frank Tomaino – Council Members
Clare Haynes – Town Clerk
Warren Bader – Town Attorney

Others Present: Wayne Woolridge – Highway Superintendent
Chuck Gilkey – Planning Board Chair

MINUTES:

Mr. Metzger made the motion to accept the minutes of the August 18, 2009 Public Hearing, August 18, 2009 regular meeting and the September 1, 2009 special meeting, seconded by Mr. Colesante.

Carried: Tomaino – Yes Buck – Yes Colesante – Yes Metzger – Yes Kelsey – Yes

VOUCHERS:

Mr. Colesante made the motion to accept General Fund Vouchers numbered 245 thru 273 in the amount of \$136,952.43, Highway Fund Vouchers numbered 151 thru 167 in the amount of \$16,827.34, and Northshore Water District Vouchers numbered 15 thru 16 in the amount of \$20,200.16, seconded by Mr. Metzger.

Carried: Tomaino – Yes Buck – Yes Colesante – Yes Metzger – Yes Kelsey – Yes

SUPERVISOR:

A motion was made by Mr. Metzger to accept the Supervisor's Report as given, seconded by Mr. Tomaino.

Carried: Tomaino – Yes Buck – Yes Colesante – Yes Metzger – Yes Kelsey – Yes

TOWN CLERK:

Mr. Buck made the motion to accept the Town Clerk's Report, seconded by Mr. Metzger.

Carried: Tomaino – Yes Buck – Yes Colesante – Yes Metzger – Yes Kelsey – Yes

ASSESSOR:

The Office of Real Property has provided our office with a list of sales that will be used to determine our level of change in assessments. This list will be reviewed to be sure all sales are valid. When completed, the State will notify us of their preliminary analysis with regards to whether our assessments need to be adjusted. Renewal notices for Enhanced Star and Senior Citizen Exemptions will be mailed out in early October. The deadline for returning these applications is March 1, 2010. Mr. Tomaino made the motion to accept the Assessor's Report as read, seconded by Mr. Buck.

Carried: Tomaino – Yes Buck – Yes Colesante – Yes Metzger – Yes Kelsey – Yes

CODE ENFORCEMENT:

Mr. Kelsey reported to the board that he spoke with Mr. Illingworth in reference to the Gale Road complaint, a letter has been sent and the property owner is cleaning up the place. Mr. Metzger made the motion to accept the Code Enforcement Office report, seconded by Mr. Tomaino.

Carried: Tomaino – Yes Buck – Yes Colesante – Yes Metzger – Yes Kelsey – Yes

HIGHWAY:

Mr. Woolridge would like to open the bids for the salt storage shed that were received. They are as follows:

1. K.J.R. Contracting Co. Inc. - \$54,500.00 - both concrete form work and stick build
2. J & S Commercial Construction, Inc. - \$33,885.00 – stick build
3. Whitney Construction Inc – \$49,500.00 – concrete form work
4. CMI Contracting Management, Inc. - \$99,890.00 – both concrete form work and stick build
5. EJ Construction Group, Inc. - \$65,800.00 – concrete form work
6. PROBuild - \$10,287.07 – truss and roof materials
7. Park Lane Construction & Development Corp. - \$310,000.00 - total building concrete wall
\$275,000.00 – total building wood wall
8. Vella's Do it Best - \$26,077.66 – total materials with shingled roof
\$25,887.66 – total materials with metal roof

Mr. Woolridge would like to move forward and accept the lowest bids that were received. There is enough in the budget to cover the bids. Mr. Woolridge will contact KJR to review the bid to be sure all is included in price. The building of this salt storage shed is important to the town, it will save on salt purchases in the future, currently our salt is stored in the sand pile and is out in the elements and it is less effective, plus we have the actual loss of salt.

Mr. Colesante made the motion to accept the two lowest bidders:

Vella's Do it Best for the materials
K.J.R. Contracting Co. Inc. for the concrete form work and the stick build

Seconded by Mr. Tomaino

Carried: Tomaino – Yes Buck – Yes Colesante – Yes Metzger – Yes Kelsey – Yes

WATER:

Mr. Parker from Barton and Loquidice reported that the mechanical maps have been given to the Supervisor that show the pipe layout for hydrants and valves, it is a good idea to have the fire department and highway department look at the drawings to be sure placement is acceptable. A meeting needs to be set up with landowners for purchase of the property for the water tower. Easements have been going out, about one third have been sent. The board needs to set up a workshop to go over plans for easement status and ongoing timelines. B & L continues working on the Bernhards Bay water district, pre-eligibility package is ongoing. September 30, 2009 7:00pm the Town Board will hold a workshop on Water to be followed with the first budget workshop at the Constantia Town Hall.

PLANNING BOARD:

Two items before the planning board:

- Ballagh – moving forward, all parties are now working together
- Brill – Public Hearing set for September 22, 2009
- Marr – drawings have been submitted

Mr. Tomaino made the motion to accept the Planning Board Report, seconded by Mr. Buck.

Carried: Tomaino – Yes Buck – Yes Colesante – Yes Metzger – Yes Kelsey – Yes

TUG HILL COMMISSION:

Mr. Baxter wanted the board to know about two upcoming events:

- Planning Board Basics – September 24, 2009 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
- ATVs and Snowmobiles on Municipal Property and Roadways – October 15, 2009 7:00pm

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mrs. La Vigne has been working on cleaning up the sidewalks in town. Mrs. La Vigne has done an inventory of the town and there are about 1,275 pieces of sidewalks and about 1,000 need repair. Her goal is to have them repaired so the residents can walk safely around the town. Mr. Colesante believes there is grant money available but it might be too early to speak about that, with water coming thru town it is a possibility that some of the sidewalks are going to be replaced by the contractors. There is also the liability factor that the town must consider, Mr. Bader will look into this issue and have an answer for the next meeting.

ADJOURN:

At 8:48pm Mr. Metzger made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Tomaino.

Carried: Tomaino – Yes Buck – Yes Colesante – Yes Metzger – Yes Kelsey – Yes