

TOWN OF CONSTANTIA
MINUTES - TOWN BOARD –April 17, 2012
7:30pm Constantia Town Hall

Present: Charles Gilkey – Supervisor
Richard Colesante, John Metzger, Thomas Moran, Frank Tomaino– Council Members
Clare Haynes – Town Clerk

Others Present: Warren Bader – Town Attorney
Wayne Woolridge - Highway Superintendent
Nancy Butler - Supervisor's Clerk
Paul Baxter - Tug Hill Commission
Ronald Sakonyi - County Legislator

CALL TO ORDER

At 7:30 pm the regular meeting of the Constantia town board was called to order.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

WATER:

Constantia & Toad Harbor Water Districts Construction

- Contract No. 1 (Water Mains – NYS Route 49) – Change Order No. 5 (Over/under quantity adjustments) has been sent to North Country Contractors for signature. Upon receipt of the signed Change Order No. 5, recommendation for final payment will be forwarded to the Town Board.
- Contract No. 2 (Water Mains - County, Town & Private Roads) – Guarantee inspections will be conducted in the summer of 2012.
- Contract No. 3 (Tank) – Notice of Substantial Completion was issued March 20, 2012. A guarantee inspection will be conducted in August.
- Contract No. 4 (Pump Station) – LaFleur is working on back-up for a change order to install a bypass line in the pump station. The bypass line will allow OCWA to feed water back toward Central Square instead of dumping water at the tank site in order to ensure adequate turnover in the tank.

Water Service Connections

- To date, 370 people have connected to the water system (278 in the Constantia Water District and 92 in the Toad Harbor Water District). This is up from 359 last month.

“In-District” Extensions

- B&L has received survey, completed a field edit and commenced design of the extensions. It is anticipated that plans and specifications will be submitted to regulatory agencies in May for review and approval.

Proposed Bernhards Bay Water District

- To date, the water committee has collected 118 signatures, which amounts to 42.4% of property owners and 45.6% of assessed value. A petition mailer has been sent to property owners the water committee couldn't reach.
- The Village of Cleveland authorized the Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) for the potential joint water project at their April 10th Board Meeting.

Mr. Moran asked if there is any open ligation concerning the water district. The one outstanding is with North County Contractors. We have responded to them and we are waiting for a reply. If there is a judgment there will be enough money left over from the original funding.

Mr. Metzger asked about the stuff that the fire department has been getting out of the hydrants, OCWA is working on this. There have been crews out pulling hydrants, it is believed that they will need to wait until the Central Square tower and our tower are both full, then release the hydrants to power all the stuff out. OCWA wants the contractor to pay for this, have not heard back from the contractor.

COUNTY LEGISLATOR:

Mr. Sakonyi:

- Gave the board copies of the new Hastings race track this is a \$25M project.
- Governor has appointed a Mandate Relief Council which continues to deliberate and is charged with reviewing specific mandates identified by local governments and advancing proposals to reduce the statutory and regulatory burden on our municipalities. Go to www.governor/ny.gov/mandatereliefcouncil to download the forms for submission.
- Seminar on road preservation - Tuesday, May 8, 2012.
- NYS to spend nearly \$30 Million improving CNY infrastructure. \$1,122,140 will be used for pavement preservation of Route 49 from County Route 37 to Hatchery Road in

Constantia.

MINUTES:

Mr. Metzger made the motion to accept the minutes of the March 15th special meeting, March 20th public hearing and the March 20th town board meeting, seconded by Mr. Moran.

Carried: Moran – Yes Tomaino - Yes Colesante - Yes Metzger - Yes Gilkey - Yes

VOUCHERS:

Mr. Moran made the motion to accept the following vouchers as listed on Abstract #4, Dated April 17, 2012:

General Fund	101 - 129	\$ 18,021.50
Highway Fund	50 - 67	\$ 13,544.29
Northshore Water District	20 - 25	\$ 100,916.84

Seconded by Mr. Metzger.

Carried: Moran – Yes Tomaino - Yes Colesante - Yes Metzger - Yes Gilkey – Yes

SUPERVISOR:

Mr. Moran made the motion to accept the Supervisor's Report, seconded by Mr. Colesante.

Carried: Moran – Yes Tomaino - Yes Colesante - Yes Metzger - Yes Gilkey – Yes

HIGHWAY:

-The highway department is currently working on Marsden Road they have replaced four culverts, two road and two driveway.

-May 7th and May 8th will be community clean up days:

The following items placed at the roadside will be picked up:

All Appliances (refrigerators, stoves, dishwashers) Batteries, Bicycles, Computers, Furnaces, Metal, Televisions/Monitors, Car Rims (NO Tires), Water Heaters

NOT ACCEPTABLE:

Auto Parts, Gas Tanks, Carpet, Plastics, Furniture, Mattresses, Paint Cans, Building Materials, Gas Grill Tanks, Porcelain (toilets, sinks), Florescent Lights, Tires

Nothing in bags!

Unacceptable materials will be left at the roadside. Call 675-8264 with questions

- Earlier this month items were taken from the highway garage property. A police report has been filed, the items taken were worth approx \$5,275. The ripper tooth for the gradall was the most expensive item taken, along with new storm grates, risers and a used sander chain. Mr. Gilkey will file a claim with the insurance company. The board has spoken before about the need for a security fence along with a fire detection system. Mr. Woolridge has 3 estimates for the fencing as required by our procurement policy.

Butler Fence Co. Inc.	\$12,640.00
David J. Grover, Inc.	\$14,129.70
Atlas Fence Inc.	\$14,442.00

Mr. Woolridge does not have the quotes with him for fire detection, last year the quotes were about \$10,000, but he will get new ones together.

Mr. Colesante made the motion to have Mr. Woolridge seek proposal/scope of services for the fence and fire protection and then choose one, seconded by Mr. Moran.

Carried: Moran – Yes Tomaino - Yes Colesante - Yes Metzger - Yes Gilkey – Yes

Mr. Woolridge would like to accept the Butler's bid now and get the fire detection quotes for next meeting. Mr. Metzger has no problem with the project as long as it stays within budget, we have a meeting on Thursday, April 26th if the quotes are ready by then and acceptable the board can approve at that time.

Mr. Colesante made the motion to accept Butler Fence Co. Inc. quote for \$12,640 to install the fencing at the highway garage, Mr. Woolridge has approval to move forward with the project, seconded by Mr. Moran.

Carried: Moran – Yes Tomaino - Yes Colesante - Yes Metzger - Yes Gilkey – No

Mr. Ospelt Highway Superintendent for the county of Oswego has returned the Agreement to Spend Highway Funds for the town.

Mr. Moran made the motion to accept the Highway Superintendent's report, seconded by Mr. Metzger.

Carried: Moran – Yes Tomaino - Yes Colesante - Yes Metzger - Yes Gilkey – No

TOWN CLERK:

Mrs. Haynes gave her report along with the tax collector report. All tax monies have been turned over to the Supervisor, we collected 83% of our tax warrant. The town clerk office will be opened on April 23rd and 25th from 8:30 am to 11:30 pm. April 24th and 26th normal hours, Mrs. Haynes will be at the town clerk conference. Mr. Metzger made the motion to accept the Town Clerk's report, seconded by Mr. Tomaino.

Carried: Moran – Yes Tomaino - Yes Colesante - Yes Metzger - Yes Gilkey – No

ASSESSOR:

Mr. Wheeler is still working in the field completing information for building permits and properties that have been split or merged.

CODE ENFORCEMENT:

Mr. Illingworth has been in touch with Mr. Hall, he is hiring an engineer to look at the block walls that are still standing on the property on County Route 17. He will then give that report to Mr. Illingworth. Mr. Bader feels as long as progress is being made that the town should give him time, but he must keep moving forward. Mr. Metzger made the motion to accept the Code Officer's report, seconded by Mr. Moran.

Carried: Moran – Yes Tomaino - Yes Colesante - Yes Metzger - Yes Gilkey – Yes

DOG CONTROL:

Mr. Tomaino made the motion to accept the Dog Control Officer's report, seconded by Mr. Moran.

Carried: Moran – Yes Tomaino - Yes Colesante - Yes Metzger - Yes Gilkey – Yes

PLANNING BOARD:

Nothing to report.

BOARD OF APPEALS:

Nothing to report.

JUSTICE:

Mr. Moran made the motion to accept Justice Pelon's report for February and Justice Simpson and Justice Pelon's report for March, seconded by Mr. Metzger.

Carried: Moran – Yes Tomaino - Yes Colesante - Yes Metzger - Yes Gilkey – Yes

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

BOARD COMMENT:

- Received form PERM 1 from NYS Department of Transportation, will review further.
- Received back from Fire Commissioners letter of support for grant.
- Petition received today from residents from Whipple Road against gravel pit. Mr. Gilkey will forward this to DEC. The people who apply for the permit will need to follow a number of steps, including going to the planning board because this will be considered a change of use. A SEQR will also need to be done.

TUG HILL COMMISSION:

Paul Baxter reported:

- I assisted supervisor Chuck Gilkey with research, preparation, and submission of a Local Government Efficiency Grant application for a potential study of improved fire department efficiency in Constantia and Cleveland.
- The Tug Hill Commission is meeting tomorrow, Wednesday, April 18 at 4:00 p.m. at the Parish Village Gym, 2938 East Main Street, Parish, New York. Before the meeting, at 3:30 p.m., there will be a presentation on the work that we've been doing with the town, the village, and two consultants to assist in preparing for new uses for Parish Elementary School after the school system moves the elementary school classes to the central campus starting this fall. The Commission meetings are open to the public, so you are welcome to attend if interested.
- I am in the process of organizing a training session with Mickey Dietrich of the Tug Hill Commission on use of the Tug Hill mapping resources available online. This training would be useful for planning boards, zoning boards, assessors, codes officers and others who would find benefit in access to local maps. When I get a date and time for this training session, I'll let you know ASAP.
- The town's annual 2011 financial report has been posted to the town web site. I assisted bookkeeper Nancy Butler with putting this in the proper form for posting.
- I received information on the town's annual clean-up day yesterday, and should have it posted tomorrow.
- I've heard a tentative timetable for the next round of CFA (Consolidated Funding Application) grants. The tentative timetable is for grants to be solicited this spring, due in July, with announcements to be made in October. More information about the CFA process can be found at: <http://nyworks.ny.gov/faq#cfa>
- Last but not least, I was happy to see all the attendees from Constantia at the Thursday, March 29 Local Government Conference in Watertown. By all accounts, it was another good day for local government training. As potential training topics occur to you, please let me know so that we can include them in next year's conference schedule, or so that we can do a separate training session on the topic sooner.

ADJOURN:

At 9:50 pm Mr. Moran made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Colesante.

Carried: Moran - Yes Tomaino - Yes Colesante - Yes Metzger - Yes Gilkey - Yes