

TOWN OF CONSTANTIA  
**MINUTES - TOWN BOARD- September 20, 2016**  
7:30 pm Constantia Town Hall

Present: Kenneth Mosley – Supervisor  
Richard Colesante, John Metzger, Thomas Moran – Council Members  
Clare Haynes – Town Clerk  
Wayne Woolridge - Highway Superintendent

Others Present: Roy Reehil – County Legislator  
Paul Baxter – Tug Hill Commission  
Laureen Tackman – Trustee, Village of Cleveland

Absent: Chad Whitney – Council Member  
Warren Bader - Town Attorney

**CALL TO ORDER:**

At 7:30 pm Mr. Mosley called the town board meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

**BID OPENING:**

Mr. Woolridge advertised for bids to be opened tonight, bids from Glider Oil Company, Inc. and Mirabito Energy Products were received. Mr. Mosley opened the bids they were as follows:

**Glider Oil:**

Diesel fuel ultra-low sulfur:	Rack price day of delivery plus any app taxes:	\$1.484
	Mark up:	<u>\$ .16</u>
		\$1.644
Propane:		
First delivery to fill tank:		\$0.999
	Cap price:	\$1.149
Gasoline – unleaded regular 87 octane:		
	Rack price day of delivery plus any app taxes:	\$1.492
	Mark up:	<u>\$ .18</u>
		\$1.672

(Full copies of the bids can be reviewed at the Town Clerk’s office during normal business hours.)

**Mirabito Energy Products:**

Ultra-low sulfur diesel fuel:	Fluctuating Bid Price as of 9/15/2016:	\$1.4968/gal
	Firm bid price (pay per delivery):	\$1.6965/gal
Unleaded gasoline:	Fluctuating Bid Price as of 9/15/2016:	\$1.4785/gal
	Firm bid price (pay per delivery):	NA
Propane:	Fluctuating Bid Price as of 9/15/2016:	\$ .8217/gal
	Firm bid price (pay per delivery):	\$ .9432/gal

Mr. Woolridge will review the bids, they will be awarded later in the meeting.

**WATER:**

Working on getting documents together for the EFC, documents need to be submitted by September 27<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Gould, 4 Simmons Drive was wondering when he would be able to hook up to the water. Mr. Colesante verified that indeed Mr. Gould is in this next phase for water, hopefully by the end of 2017 if there are no holdups.

**SEWER:**

\$15,000.00 Grant reimbursement has been received.

**COUNTY LEGISLATOR:**

Legislator Reehil submitted the following report:

Two important steps the County took this month had to do with property transfers. The former Miller Brewing site and wastewater treatment facility was sold to the Oswego County Industrial Development Agency for \$400,000. The IDA is tasked with seeking partners to develop the site for regional wastewater treatment and also to increase the number of businesses in the County Industrial Park.

The first six tax foreclosed properties were transferred to Oswego County Land Bank. These are a mix of commercial and residential properties, some designated for being removed and others that will be renovated by the land bank and sold. A seventh property was transferred to the Land Bank by Pathfinder Bank. That property had been in foreclosure and is within an area of Oswego City that has been targeted by the Oswego County Renaissance Association for neighborhood revitalization grants. The Land Bank will be using some of its recently awarded \$150,000 in grant to repurpose the properties and the proceeds of sales of the properties will go back into the Land Bank coffers to take on new projects. As I have mentioned before I encourage the town to maintain a list of the properties that are abandoned or vacant and to begin prioritizing those properties that most negatively affect

the safety or value of nearby properties. This will give us a chance to have those properties considered to be acquired.

The County is set to receive about \$18 million dollars as part of a settlement of efforts that began in the 1990s when the State sued tobacco companies regarding the public cost of health impacts from tobacco products. The money must be spent over three years and can only be spent on specific types of capital projects for which a number of reserve funds were established by resolution.

Super Dirt week will be held at Oswego Speedway October 5-9.

**BID AWARD:**

Mr. Woolridge would like to award the fuel gas and diesel to Glider, diesel has the biggest savings and they are \$.05 lower than Mirabito. Mr. Mosley wanted to know why not award the gas to Mirabito it is cheaper with them. Mr. Woolridge stated that usually gas and diesel get awarded together, propane is for the town hall.

Mr. Colesante made the motion to accept the Highway Superintendents recommendation and award the Ultra-low sulfur diesel and gasoline to Gilder Oil and the propane to Mirabito Energy Products.

Carried: Moran – Yes Colesante - Yes Metzger - Yes Mosley - No

**MINUTES:**

Mr. Metzger made the motion to accept the minutes of the August 9<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting, August 16<sup>th</sup> town board meeting, August 23<sup>rd</sup> Water Board meeting, August 30<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting and September 13<sup>th</sup> Budget meeting, seconded by Mr. Colesante.

Carried: Moran – Yes Colesante - Yes Metzger - Yes Mosley - Yes

**VOUCHERS:**

Mr. Colesante made the motion to accept the following vouchers as listed on Abstract #9 dated September 20, 2016:

General Fund	292-332	\$171,458.73
Highway Fund	154-177	\$ 19,649.17
NorthShore Water District	10	\$ 5,621.53

All vouchers have been reviewed and approved by the town board members, Seconded by Mr. Moran.

Carried: Moran – Yes Colesante - Yes Metzger - Yes Mosley – Yes

**SUPERVISOR:**

Mr. Moran made the motion to accept the Supervisor's report as presented dated August 31, 2016, seconded by Mr. Metzger.

Carried: Moran – Yes Colesante - Yes Metzger - Yes Mosley – Yes

**HIGHWAY:**

Mr. Woolridge reported:

- Paving is finished
- Making sand and crushing gravel
- Hauling sand
- Called State about mowing 49, the town is on its last round of mowing
- Pored pad and knee wall for loading sand at the highway department to replace old wooden one
- Continuing to cut trees
- CHIPS paperwork should be in for next month
- Long arm mower rented for a month starting Monday September 26th

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

Carried: Moran – Yes Colesante - Yes Metzger - Yes Mosley – Yes

**TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR:**

Mrs. Haynes reported that the total receipts and disbursements for the month of August were \$5,171.20. Mr. Moran made the motion to accept the Town Clerk's report as presented, seconded by Mr. Metzger.

Carried: Moran – Yes Colesante - Yes Metzger - Yes Mosley – Yes

**ASSESSOR:**

No report.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT:**

-Ms. Confer is slowly making progress on cleaning up her property. The Judge in this case has given her an end date of October 31, 2016 to have her property cleaned up. Judge Simpson has contacted Fred Beardsley the County Treasurer, the Town can levy outstanding fines and the cost of cleanup on to the Town and County Tax bill. Mr. Hall questioned as to who would do the cleanup, town highway or a third party? Mr. Colesante hopes that it will not get to that, but it would need to be a third party. How can anyone decide what to remove from someone's property? Mr. Moran indicated that Mr. Hall would have to coordinate as to how it is going and how to get it done. Demolition is one thing, but making decisions on people's property is another. Discussion continued onto Richard Rynearson, 129-31 Kibbie Lake Rd has been before the court, the Judge has instructed him to remove one boat per month off this property. Mr. Rynearson is scheduled to return to court later this year. Mr. Colesante understands that it is about \$1,500 per boat to bring to the landfill, maybe negotiate a deal with the County as to the fees. Mr. Reehil explained that there is no way to negotiate on an individual basis. Mr. Woolridge brought up the idea of using the County owned grinder that would chip up the boats this will make the tipping fees more manageable. That would be great if the property owner is agreeable.

Mr. Hall requested a \$100 stop work order lift fee and a \$35 miscellaneous fee to be added to the fee schedule. After discussion Mr. Colesante made the motion to add a \$75 stop work order lift fee only when no permit was issued and a \$35 miscellaneous fee to cover items not on the fee schedule, seconded by Mr. Metzger.

Carried: Moran – Yes Colesante - Yes Metzger - Yes Mosley – Yes

Mr. Colesante made the motion to accept the Code Officer's report for August, seconded by Mr. Moran.

Carried: Moran – Yes Colesante - Yes Metzger - Yes Mosley – Yes

**JUSTICE:**

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

Carried: Moran – Yes Colesante - Yes Metzger - Yes Mosley – Yes

COUNCILMAN: **Moran**

Introduced the following and moved its adoption:

**The Town of Constantia will be hiring an independent contractor for court security. Justice Court is in session on Mondays starting at 4:30 pm, when court is concluded for the night, all powers will cease for the court security officer. This independent contractor will be paid via voucher as submitted monthly at a rate of \$20.00 (Twenty) dollars an hour with a minimum of 3 (three) hours per court night.**

Seconded by Councilman: **Metzger**

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Kenneth Mosley	Voted	Yes
Richard Colesante	Voted	Yes
John Metzger	Voted	Yes
Tom Moran	Voted	Yes
Chad Whitney	Absent	

COUNCILMAN: **Metzger**

Introduced the following and moved its adoption:

**The Town Board for the Town of Constantia authorizes Town Justice Mark Simpson to apply and submit a Justice Court Assistance Program Grant for the purchase of a metal detector and/or hand held security wand.**

Seconded by Councilman: **Moran**

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Kenneth Mosley	Voted	Yes
Richard Colesante	Voted	Yes
John Metzger	Voted	Yes
Tom Moran	Voted	Yes
Chad Whitney	Absent	

**DOG CONTROL:**

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

Carried: Moran – Yes Colesante - Yes Metzger - Yes Mosley – Yes

**PLANNING BOARD:**

Minutes received for August 23, 2016.

**BOARD OF APPEALS:**

Nothing to report

**REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE:**

Minutes received for August 15 and September 12<sup>th</sup>.

**MUNICIPAL BUILDING:**

Mr. Russ Raymond Commissioner for the Fire District has indicated a committee has been set, but no new information has been received.

**TUG HILL COMMISSION:**

Mr. Baxter reported:

-Assisted bookkeeper Ms. Butler with preparing the 2017 budget template.

-October 27<sup>th</sup> the Councils of Government in the Tug Hill regions are all going to be getting together in on big SuperCOG meeting to compare notes and identify areas of concerns in the Tug Hill Region. All board members are invited to attend.

-Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup> the Tug Hill Commission will be holding its annual dinner at the Tail Water Lodge.

-Budget Process Workshop on Tuesday August 30<sup>th</sup> in Altmar, Mr. Baxter has extra handouts if anyone is interested.

-The town web site is up to date.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- North Shore Ambulance report

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mr. Wayne Confer thought it might be a good idea to put up signs letting ice fisherman know they can park at the town hall, problem with that is then they have to travel down the road across State Route 49 that puts liability back on the town.

**BOARD COMMENT:**

The Water Board meeting scheduled for September 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 am has been cancelled.

Mr. Woolridge told the board that Mr. Doug Riggs officially retires on September 26<sup>th</sup> he would like to get him a plaque to present at the October town board meeting. All agreed to spend up to \$150.

**ADJOURN:**

At 9:19 pm Mr. Colesante made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Metzger.

Carried: Moran - Yes Colesante - Yes Metzger - Yes Mosley - Yes