

Minutes - October 1, 2013 - 7 PM

The Regular meeting for the Town of Fowler was held on the above date with all members present. Also present were Town Clerk Sherrie Williams, Deputy Highway Superintendent Lyle Bishop, Justice Paul Lamson, Code Enforcement Officer Rick Whitford, Bookkeeper Gary Higgins, Bonnie Seaman, Kathy Moses, Tim Prashaw, Dustin Fayette, Wanda Fayette, Debbie Tupper, Peter Devine, Alan Hipps, Ruth Donaldson, Chassidy Newvine, Gaige Gonyeau, Shae-Lynn Porter, Vicky Cappellino, Herb Fuller, Mike Macaulay, Lillith Griffith.

Supervisor Cappellino called the meeting to order then proceeded with the opening prayer & the pledge of allegiance.

After discussion, a motion was made by Councilperson Rick Newvine to approve the September 3, 2013 & September 6, 2013 Meeting Minutes with 1 correction & seconded by Councilperson Randy Durham. Roll call vote showed Michael Cappellino; Yes, Rick Newvine; Yes, Karen Simmons; Yes, Randy Durham; Yes, Natalie Spilman; Yes. All in Favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Supervisor Cappellino asked for a moment of silence in memory of the Town of Fowler past Historian & Town Clerk Isabelle "Belle" Hance who recently passed away.

Peter Devine & Alan Hipps from the St. Lawrence County Housing Council reported on the progress of the CDBG grant. Thirteen projects have been selected in the Town & 3 inspections have been done. One project will begin within 30 days. July, 2014 is the completion date for all the projects. Monthly updates will be provided. The town Code Enforcement Officer will be involved in the inspection & issue permits that are required. The board thanked them for the report.

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Supervisor Cappellino reported that he has a resolution for the board to consider for the Town attorney to proceed involving the boundary line dispute for the Sylvia Lake Beach. After discussion, a motion was made by Councilperson Rick Newvine to approve Resolution No. 11 of 2013 for the Town attorney to proceed involving in a boundary line dispute for the Sylvia Lake Beach if needed & seconded by Councilperson Natalie Spilman. Roll call vote showed Michael Cappellino; Yes, Rick Newvine; Yes, Karen Simmons; Yes, Natalie Spilman; Yes, Randy Durham; Yes. All in Favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Mike Macaulay submitted a complaint that will be handled by Code Enforcement Officer Rick Whitford.

Bookkeeper Gary Higgins reported that the first draft of the 2014 proposed tentative budget is done.

Code Enforcement Officer Rick Whitford reported that he has issued 8 permits for the month & a final complaint letter has been sent out. He had concerns about his involvement in the grant process & was told previously that he would not be doing the inspections just the permits required.

Councilperson Karen Simmons reported that Historian Connie Bishop had called on the progress of the WWI plaque.

Dog Control Report - Councilperson Karen Simmons reported that the Dog Control Officer had addressed 9 complaints, 2 dogs returned to their owners, 4 follow-ups, 2 warnings, & 1 ticket

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Issued. No dogs are in the kennel at this time.

Highway Report - Deputy Highway Superintendent Lyle Bishop reported that the pavement on the Smith Road will be started approximately on October 22nd. The sand is all up for winter maintenance, trucks are getting ready for inspection, 2000 yards of milings were received from the State. The 1993 plow truck is up to BOCES where the BOCES students are replacing metal in the box. The 1998 plow truck is up to Vikings getting the box insert in. The picnic tables are picked up & the beach is closed up. The new pickup is getting the plow on it & the roadsides have been mowed again.

Mike Macaulay asked where the old picnic tables are going. It was discussed that they could be donated to the Rt. 58 Race Track.

Councilperson Natalie Spilman reported that Gaige Gonyeau & Chassidy Newvine helped close up the beach & the beach had a great season. The board thanked Gaige & Chassidy for their help this year.

Vicky Cappellino asked about the issue of the Town providing material to the private roads up to Sylvia Lake. It was discussed that this had been done for many years & the board has to decide on the issue. After discussion, Councilperson Natalie Spilman made a motion for the Town to deliver material of 2 loads once a year to the Beach Road only & seconded by Councilperson Karen Simmons. Roll call vote showed Michael Cappellino; Yes, Rick Newvine; Yes, Karen Simmons; Yes, Natalie Spilman; Yes, Randy Durham; Yes. All in Favor. MOTION CARRIED.

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Mike Macaulay thanked Randy Durham for his service as a board member for 4 years. Councilperson Randy Durham thanked the public for voting him in for a 4 year term to serve the public.

Councilperson Karen Simmons reported that she attended a meeting in Canton by the St. Lawrence County Emergency Services concerning providing animal shelters in the County in case of an emergency since animals cannot stay at a human shelter.

Supervisor Cappellino reported that the trappers course that was held in the Town Hall was a success & there was a large turn out

Supervisor Cappellino reported that the next board meeting is November 7, 2013 at 7 PM in the Fowler Town Hall & there will be a Proposed 2014 Budget work session on October 17, 2013 at 7 PM at the Town Hall.

It was discussed that the fuel bids were ready to be sent out with the boards permission. After discussion, a motion was made by Councilperson Randy Durham to send out the fuel bids to come in by November 7, 2013 at 4 PM & seconded by Councilperson Rick Newvine. Roll call vote showed Michael Cappellino; Yes, Rick Newvine; Yes, Karen Simmons; Yes, Natalie Spilman; Yes, Randy Durham; Yes. All in Favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Supervisor Cappellino reported that on October 8th at 7 PM the County is having an informational meeting at the Fowler Town Hall concerning a bridge on County Rt. 24 for anyone interested.

Supervisor Cappellino reported that the current amount for

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Donations or flowers for a funeral is \$30. It was discussed to increase the amount to \$50. Consensus of the board was to increase the amount for a donation or flowers for a funeral be increased to \$50.

Tim Prashaw of the Beaver Patrol reported that 2 beavers have taken.

The bills audited for the General Fund were #213 - #232 \$12,402.57 & Highway Fund #149 - #160 - \$70,732.88.

A motion was made by Councilperson Natalie Spilman to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 PM & seconded by Councilperson Karen Simmons. Roll call vote showed Michael Cappellino; Yes, Rick Newvine; Yes, Natalie Spilman; Yes, Karen Simmons; Yes, Randy Durham; Yes. All in Favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Michael Cappellino; Supervisor Sherrie Williams; Town Clerk

Rick Newvine; Councilperson Randy Durham; Councilperson

Karen Simmons, Councilperson Natalie Spilman, Councilperson