

TOWN BOARD MEETING was held on the 8th DAY of JANUARY, 2007 at 7:30 P.M. in TOWN HALL, 183 Main Street, Cornwall, N.Y.,

PRESENT: Supervisor, RICHARD RANDAZZO

Councilpersons, Randolph Clark
Mary Beth Greene-Krafft
Alexander Mazzocca
J. Kerry McGuinness

Also PRESENT, Attorney, STEVE GABA representing Attorney For Town, James R. Loeb, Esq.

Supervisor RANDAZZO called meeting to order, OPENING with PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE to FLAG.

Approval of Minutes: TBM 12/20/2006 – AMENDED - Regarding Officer in Charge Sgt. Dixon. To read, “Supervisor advised Board” (no memo) etc.

There being no additional corrections, deletions or additions to December 2006 Minutes As read, Councilwoman KRAFFT MOVED APPROVED and ACCEPTED.

Seconded by Councilman J.Kerry McGuinness. Roll Call: Unanimous AYES

Public Comment – Agenda Items NANCY LEWITT inquired on HAZEN Street Drainage and knowing that the second stage was going to be done this year. Is that correct?

Supervisor RANDAZZO: Yes. The engineers are still looking at the engineering study.

Mrs. LEWITT: People were working on the right hand side down by the Church – Is that part of it?

Supervisor RANDAZZO: I believe Phase I starts in the vicinity of Main and Clinton Streets on the lower section, but it will not go the entire length, and it will be part of it. The upper part of it will be in the new section.

Mrs. LEWITT: There is no drainage on that side. Will they put drainage in there?

Supervisor RANDAZZO: When it is connected Phase II will connect to Phase I and the Engineer is working on it. Informing Mrs. Lewitt that this is on the Agenda, and the Orange County Community Development Block Grant amounts to \$95,000.00, and the Town will be responsible for the remainder.

Replying to her inquiry on FEMA that that was totally separate.

COUNTY AGREEMENT – 2007 - (Senior Citizen Bus) UNDER TITLE IIIB – OLDER AMERICANS ACT with Town of Cornwall.

Councilman ALEXANDER MAZZOCCA MOVED SUPERVISOR RANDAZZO BE AUTHORIZED TO SIGN THE AFOREMENTIONED AGREEMENT with County. Seconded by Councilman Randolph Clark. Roll Call: Unanimous AYES

AGREEMENT with ORANGE COUNTY OFFICE of AGING and TOWN of CORNWALL for SENIOR DINING PROGRAM – MUNGER COTTAGE for January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007.

Councilman ALEXANDER MAZZOCCA MOVED AUTHORIZATION FOR SUPERVISOR TO SIGN FOREGOING SENIOR DINING AGREEMENT.

Seconded by Councilman J.Kerry McGuinness. Roll Call: Unanimous AYES

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT – 2007 – AWARD – HAZEN STREET PHASE II

LETTER from County Executive, Edward A. Diana to Supervisor Randazzo indicating That the Town of Cornwall will be eligible for receiving GRANT through OCCD for 2007 HAZEN STREET DRAINAGE PROGRAM in the AMOUNT of \$95,000.00.

Councilman J.KERRY MCGUINNESS MOVED BOARD ACKNOWLEDGE FOREGOING and TOWN ENGINEER, MARK EDSALL BE AUTHORIZED TO PROCEED WITH NECESSARY ENGINEERING WORK. Seconded by Councilman Alexander Mazzocca. Roll Call: Unanimous AYES

RECEIVER of TAXES BONDING LETTER was read from ATTORNEY, STEVE GABA advising in connection with the Receiver of Taxes undertaking to be filed with the Town for the Year, 2007. “You have advised me that the undertaking will be less than the Receiver’s Warrant and that the insurance company will not increase the amount of the undertaking.

You will recall that this problem arose for the first time in 1986 and it now appears that it will be a continuing problem. As Mr. Loeb has advised the Town Board each year starting in 1986 Section 25 of the Town Law requires that an undertaking be filed on behalf of the Receiver for all monies and properties coming in to the Receiver’s hands. However, I believe that as long as the undertaking is of a sufficient amount so that it is at least equal to the amount of money received and held by the Receiver at any one time, we have complied with the spirit of the Law. There is an opinion of the State Comptroller that supports that position.

As you know, the Receiver turns over monies on a regular basis as she receives them. It is my understanding that this process insures that the Receiver will never have an amount in her account which approaches the amount of the undertaking. As long as the Receiver is careful to see that she never has on hand more monies than the amount of the undertaking, I believe the Town is in compliance with the Law”

Supervisor noted that as has been done in the past, when the Bonding is received the Town Clerk will forward information to Goshen.

(copy of letter will be given to Town Clerk)

ASSOCIATION of TOWNS ANNUAL CONFERENCE – February 18th to 21st in New York City.

LETTERS of REQUEST to ATTEND from following:

Councilman Alexander Mazzocca
Councilman Randolph Clark
Councilwoman Mary Beth Greene-Krafft
Receiver of Taxes, Elizabeth Longinott
Building Inspector, Gary Vinson
Justice, Joseph Thomson
Justice, Francis Navarra
Town Clerk, Elaine Tilford Schmeer
Supervisor Richard Randazzo

REGISTRATION, ACCOMMODATIONS, AND \$50.00 PER DIEM WILL BE PAID and RECEIPTS FOR SAME WILL BE REQUIRED AS WELL AS TRANSPORTATION and PARKING FEES. ALL WILL BE REIMBURSED.

Councilwoman MARY BETH GREENE-KRAFFT MOVED FOREGOING.
Seconded by Councilman J.Kerry McGuinness. Roll Call: Unanimous AYES

Supervisor RANDAZZO commented at the Association of Town's; the Delegates Vote on various resolutions to be presented to the Legislature and Governor. Naming as DELEGATE, Councilwoman Mary Beth Greene-Krafft and ALTERNATE DELEGATE, Richard Randazzo.
Councilman Alexander Mazzocca Moved foregoing. Seconded by Councilman Randolph Clark. Roll Call: Unanimous AYES

PERSONNEL

RETIREMENT:

GARY WEYANT – SANITATION DEPT.
EFFECTIVE, JANUARY 24, 2007 (Wed.)
Councilwoman KRAFFT MOVED ACCEPTED. Seconded by Councilman Randolph Clark. Roll Call: Unanimous AYES
Supervisor expressed THANKS on BEHALF OF THE TOWN BOARD and WISHED HIM WELL.

RESIGNATION:

Letter from PAULA SEBESTA as Part-time Clerk in Supervisor's Office EFFECTIVE, FEBRUARY 16, 2007
Councilwoman KRAFFT MOVED RESIGNATION ACCEPTED WITH REGRETS.
And LETTER OF APPRECIATION and THANKS BE FORWARDED TO PAULA.
Seconded by Councilman Randolph Clark. Roll Call: Unanimous AYES

APPOINTMENTS :

COREY LEWIS –LABORER-CHAUFFEUR – HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT - AS PER RECOMMENDATION of Highway Superintendent, Bob Conley a/s/a/p.

Effective 1-8-2007 MOVED by Councilman Alexander Mazzocca. Seconded by Councilman J.Kerry McGuinness. Roll Call: Unanimous AYES

Councilman RANDOLPH CLARK MOVED RE-APPOINTMENT of JOHN HUSSEY to BOARD of ETHICS. Seconded by Councilman J.Kerry McGuinness. Roll Call: Unanimous AYES (5 yr. Appointment – will expire December 31, 2011. (will be made part of reorganization meeting)

Councilwoman MARY BETH GREENE-KRAFFT MOVED RE-APPOINTMENT of MICHAEL MCGUINNESS to ZONING BOARD of APPEALS. Seconded by Councilman Randolph Clark. Roll Call: Unanimous AYES (5 years)

Councilman RANDOLPH CLARK MOVED RE-APPOINTMENT of WYNN GOLD to PLANNING BOARD. Seconded by Councilwoman Mary Beth Greene-Krafft. Roll Call: Unanimous AYES (5 years)

Councilman ALEXANDER MAZZOCCA MOVED RE-APPOINTMENT of GARY HAUGLAND and EDWARD FLYNN to CONSERVATION ADVISORY COUNCIL. Seconded by Councilwoman Krafft. Roll Call: Unanimous AYES (2 years)

ADP PAYROLL SERVICES PROPOSAL Supervisor RANDAZZO informed Board that additional information is necessary and requested that this be TABLED for next Town Board Meeting.

Councilman MAZZOCCA MOVED FOREGOING – TABLED. Seconded by Councilman Randolph Clark. Roll Call: Unanimous AYES

AGREEMENT LEGAL SERVICES RESOLUTION presented by Councilman ALEXANDER MAZZOCCA seconded by Councilman RANDOLPH CLARK. (firm of Drake,Loeb, Heller,Kennedy, Gogerty, Gaba & Rodd PLLC for 2007) Roll Call: Unanimous AYES (to be made part of Official Minute Book Record)

AGREEMENT ENGINEERING SERVICES RESOLUTION presented by Councilman ALEXANDER MAZZOCCA seconded by Councilman J.Kerry McGuinness. (firm McGoey,Hauser & Edsall, Consulting Engineers for 2007) Roll Call: Unanimous AYES (to be made part of official Minute Book Record)

RESOLUTION – LETTER of CREDIT - DAN Z CORNWALL HOLDINGS CORP. (expiration date 2-1-2007) Councilman J.KERRY MCGUINNESS presented resolution. Seconded by Councilwoman Krafft. Roll Call: Unanimous AYES (to be made part of official record)

LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL - Canterbury Brook Inn, Inc. , 331 Main Street, Cornwall, N.Y. 12518 Hans R. Baumann – SN 200S54F 2-1-2007 –1-31-2009 For Record.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Councilman CLARK REPORTED nothing of consequence on his respective committee.

Councilman MCGUINNESS REPORTED on Highway Department that they are working on equipment and outdoor work taking advantage of the mild weather.

Councilwoman KRAFFT REPORTED that Valerie Cordero, Senior Citizens Coordinator, planned Holiday Event for them and did a terrific job and expressed thanks and appreciation to Valerie.

Councilman MAZZOCCA presented POLICE REPORT - Auxiliary Police worked on various assignments including Town Christmas Tree Lighting, Live Nativity at Methodist Church, DARE Graduation and Community Toy Drive averaging total of 119 hours.

Police Officers and Auxiliary Police all attended Firearms simulation training .

Debby Jersey attended Traffic and Criminal Software training in Albany which is a required course for accident reports and traffic tickets which will be implemented in PD System shortly. SGT. DIXON re-certified – DWI Breath Analysis Course.

Town Dog Shelter as of 12/31/06 had 5 dogs, and it is a holding facility not a long-term boarding kennel. The time for holding dogs should be limited and options explored when time limit expires. I WOULD LIKE THIS TO BE DISCUSSED AT NEXT BOARD WORK SESSION .

DARE GRADUATION CEREMONY held on the 20th December was attended by the largest turnout of parents and students ever and was a big success.

Cornwall Town Board established TITLE of COURT OFFICER and Members of Auxiliary Police have been trained and uniformed and will start on Wednesday, January 10, 2007 AND on BEHALF OF TOWN BOARD THANKED AUXILIARY POLICE for their time and effort assuming this new responsibility.

WARRANT #1 – 2007 MOVED APPROVED and ACCEPTED by Councilwoman KRAFFT seconded by Councilman Randolph Clark. Roll Call: Unanimous AYES

Supervisor RANDAZZO brought to Board's attention meeting is scheduled to interview potential candidates for Police Chief's Position and discuss resumes received .

Meeting scheduled for January 24, 2007 at 7:00 P.M.

(Board will be given copy of all resumes)

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Gentleman from floor: I hope you can get the Cornwall Town Board Meetings changed on the Web site so they are available to everyone.

Supervisor Randazzo commented that I just said, Welcome to the New Web site.

Gentleman: I would also like to say, thank you having watched your work over the past year and hope you have a very successful New Year.

Supervisor on behalf of the Board, expressed thanks and appreciation to him. Commenting the Web site will be ready to go and will be available for any kind of in-put. The Minutes of Planning, Zoning and Town Board will be available on the web site for the Public as well as many other interesting topics.

Q from floor: If a citizen has question on any matter, what would be the proper procedure to contact a Board Member?

Supervisor Randazzo advised that his Office will take any messages and will be relayed to whomever, and for public officials in general that is their accessibility.

NANCY LEWITT inquired about the Board of Ethics and any vacancies. Supervisor Randazzo advised that if resident is interested they may forward letter to Town . Noting that the Attorney for the Town usually meets with Members about every two years, and there will be a meeting scheduled during February to go over functions of the Board of Ethics, and the Attorney will sit in on the meeting and answer any questions. Advising there are five Members on the Board of Ethics and presently there are no vacancies.

There being NO ADDITIONAL BOARD BUSINESS or Public Comments, Councilman ALEXANDER MAZZOCCA MOVED TOWN BOARD MEETING CLOSED. Seconded by Councilwoman Mary Beth Greene-Krafft. Carried.

Constance Triolo,
Deputy Town Clerk-Stenog.

Elaine Tilford Schneer
Town Clerk