

The Town of Bethel Town Board meeting of August, 26, 2015 was called to order by Supervisor Daniel Sturm at the Dr. Duggan Community Center at 7:30 p.m.

Council members present:                   Vicky Simpson  
  Lillian Hendrickson  
  Bernie Cohen  
  Dawn Ryder

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Property Violation Update:**

1) 36 W. Delaware Place (Behr)       #42.-4-18

Mr. Cohen asked if the property owner has been notified. Mr. Sturm said yes – certified, return receipt. Motion by Mrs. Hendrickson to remedy by all options available in our code, seconded by Mr. Cohen, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Mrs. Simpson asked about Taconic Trail. Mr. Sturm have authorized to seek sealed bids to remove unregistered vehicles.

Mr. Sturm reported that the Gomez property has been cleaned up. Re-levy property owner. All debris, holes filled in, silt fence installed, seeded and hayed.

**Reappoint Jim Crowley to the Board of Assessment Review**

Motion by Mr. Cohen to re-appoint James Crowley, Jr. to the Board of Assessment Review for period of 10/1/2015 – 9/30/2020, seconded by Mrs. Simpson, motion carried 5-0.

**DEC Notice of Intent to Establish Lead Agency – Well’s Pond Dam Restoration**

Town has received notice of intent to establish lead agency by the NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation for the Well’s Pond dam restoration. Motion by Mrs. Simpson to receive and file, seconded by Mr. Ryder, motion carried 5-0.

**Approve contract for Bond Counsel**

Motion by Mrs. Simpson to approve contract Orrick Herrington & Sutcliffe, LLP Bond Counsel for the Kauneonga Lake Sewer District bond, seconded by Mrs. Hendrickson, motion carried 5-0.

**Approve agreement for legal services**

Motion by Mrs. Ryder to approve contract with Robert S. McEwan, Jr. for legal services for the Kauneonga Lake Sewer District bond, seconded by Mrs. Hendrickson, motion carried 5-0.

**Notice from NYS Dept. of Transportation regarding 17B Guiderail Work**

Notice has been received from the NYS Dept. of Transportation for the Route 17B guiderail project from Town of Bethel line to light in Fosterdale. Motion by Mrs. Simpson to receive and file notice, seconded by Mrs. Ryder, motion carried 5-0.

**Joint Fuel Bid Results**

Joint fuel bids with Town of Liberty were opened in their offices on August 13, 2015 as follows. Motion by Mrs. Ryder to receive, file and approve low bid, seconded by Mr. Cohen, motion carried 5-0.

Diesel & Kerosene:

|                 |             |        |
|-----------------|-------------|--------|
| #2 Fuel Oil     | Ultra Power | 1.7001 |
| Kerosene        | Ultra Power | 2.2010 |
| Diesel          | Ultra Power | 1.7215 |
| Off Road Diesel | Ultra Power | 1.7215 |

Un-Branded Regular & Unleaded:

|            |             |        |
|------------|-------------|--------|
| 87% Octane | Ultra Power | 1.8182 |
| 89% Octane | Mirabito    | 2.0691 |
| 92% Octane | Mirabito    | 2.5371 |

Branded Regular & Unleaded:

|            |          |        |
|------------|----------|--------|
| 87% Octane | Mirabito | 1.8696 |
| 89% Octane | Mirabito | 2.0061 |
| 92% Octane | Mirabito | 2.5371 |

**Town Board Comments**

Mrs. Ryder raised the question of parking fees. Suggested to add “Free” to the directional parking signs in Kauneonga Lake.

**Public Comment**

Jonathan Drapkin was present and indicated his wife was hit on 17B by a car egressing without stopping at Schultz Road going 45 mph. Suggested:

1. Wants to study this intersection
2. Post a camera at that intersection to videotape.
3. On findings 6-8 pm for a period of two months have a constable on corner.
4. Trees need trimming on south side and west corner.
5. Willing to help the Town.
6. Wants the Town to seriously look into this matter.

Bob Barrett commented that all intersections should be monitored.

Jeryl Abramson asked: How do I apply for next year? What application? What board? Is there even an application? Escrow account, would like accounting.

Mr. Sturm – site plan review. Jeryl replied that she was told no fee; site plan is \$300. Mr. Sturm maybe renewal fee, which is less. Suggested to contact the Building Dept. for application and he would look into the escrow.

Danielle Pierce, Gale Road, said local delivery clause in the road law was a bad idea, should be revisited.

Susan Harte stated that all the rules were adopted for camping law. May 30<sup>th</sup> there was a camper, now ninety (90) days later without any violations. Mr. Sturm, did you send a complaint letter? Susan Harte, yes. Mr. Sturm, the Building Department has oversight. Maybe they disagree with your interpretation and that is why no violations were issued. Ms. Harte - don't you have jurisdiction over the Building Department? Mr. Sturm, the Building Department handles the enforcement. Ms. Harte - since June 1, 2015 no response.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Mrs. Ryder to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Cohen, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

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Rita J. Sheehan, Town Clerk