

The Town of Bethel Town Board meeting of September 27, 2012 was called to order by Supervisor Daniel Sturm at the Dr. Duggan Community Center Meeting Room at 7:30 p.m.

Council Members Present: Denise Frangipane
Robert Blais
Bernard Cohen
Vicky Simpson

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

Request from Bookkeeping Dept. to Attend Health Insurance Regional Meeting

Request has been received from Erin Lynch and Donna Stackhouse, Bookkeeping Department, to attend NYSHIP regional meeting on October 23rd in Suffern, NY. At this meeting they will learn the projected rates for 2013, information on the Empire Plan Medicare RX changes and other information. Motion by Ms. Frangipane to approve attendance, seconded by Mrs. Simpson, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Relevy for House Hold Waste Removal

The Building Dept. and the Town Supervisor were notified on September 4th of garbage (the entire household contents) outside of 3052 Route 55, White Lake. The Town tried diligently to notify the property owner; this was an emergency clean-up under the Town Code provision Chapter 279-5 (B-D). It took (4) 30 yard dumpsters.

**TOWN OF BETHEL
COUNTY OF SULLIVAN**

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE SPECIAL RELEVY ON THE TOWN OF BETHEL
2013 TAX ROLL FOR REMOVAL OF HOUSEHOLD WASTE**

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Bethel hereby adopts the following resolution to relevy the costs for removal of household waste as authorized by the Town of Bethel Code Chapter 279 Solid Waste,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sullivan County Legislature relevy the following property in the amount specified on the Town of Bethel 2013 Tax Roll, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk file this resolution with the Sullivan County Legislature with the 2013 Budget and the Sullivan County Clerk.

<u>Owner</u>	<u>S-B-L</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Shaul Vaknin PO Box 35 Mongaup Valley, NY 12762	40.-1-67	\$4,000

Motion by Mr. Cohen to approve resolution, seconded by Ms. Frangipane, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Adopted the 27th day of September, 2012

Building Dept. Monthly Report – August

Motion by Mrs. Simpson to receive and file, seconded by Mr. Blais, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

2012 August Fees: \$6,149.
2011 August Fees: \$5,756.

2012 August Cost: \$878,900

2011 August Cost: \$536,500

Correspondence from Glenn Smith re: Gabriel Road

Motion by Ms. Frangipane to have Glenn Smith to seek sealed bids to repair Gabriel Road, seconded by Mrs. Simpson, put to a vote and carried 5-0. Ms. Frangipane suggested to let homeowners know about date restrictions.

Filing of 2013 Tentative Budget by the Town Supervisor

Town Clerk has received the 2013 Tentative Town Budget from the Town Supervisor. Motion by Ms. Frangipane to receive and file, seconded by Mr. Cohen, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Mr. Sturm reviewed the 2013 Tentative Budget:

Workmen's Compensation going up from \$149,000 to \$163,000

NYS Retirement up 39%; \$82,000 increase

Gas, fuel, salt, equipment are up.

Health Insurance may go up between 3% to 12%, don't know yet.

Revenue flat.

The mild winter helped extremely; assessments flat-has not fallen, new construction. Under actual expenses for 2012.

Under 2% tax cap.

Set work session for 2013 budget

Motion by Ms. Frangipane to set 2013 budget work session for October 9th at 9:30 a.m. at Town Hall, seconded by Mr. Cohen, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Sludge Removal Bid Results

Sealed bids were received, publicly open and read at the Town Clerks Office for sludge removal at the Waste Water Treatment Plant on September 24th at 11 a.m. with Jay Beaumont and Raj Ravilla present as follows:

Sepctraserv, Inc.	\$104,000
Earthcare	\$175,000
Fred A. Cook, Jr. Inc.	\$220,700
TAM Enterprises	\$317,000

Award Sludge Removal Bid to low bidder

Correspondence received from KC Engineering (formerly E & H Engineering) recommended awarding the sludge removal bid to Spectraserv, Inc. at a cost of \$104,000. Motion by Mr. Blais to award bid to Spectraserv, Inc. for \$104,000, seconded by Mr. Cohen, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

EPA grant funds to be used for Wastewater Infrastructure Improvements

E-mail has been received Environmental Protection Agency notifying the Town that Fiscal Year 2004 funds can be used for wastewater infrastructure improved that have been completed since September 20, 2006 or any future work. Motion by Mrs. Simpson to receive and file, seconded by Mr. Blais, put to a vote and carried 5-0. Need to expend \$250,036.90 before the Town qualifies in \$137,520.30 in grant funds. Any wastewater infrastructure improvement completed since September 20, 2006 or any future work.

Correspondence from KC Engineering Aeration System for Pond #2

Correspondence has been received from KC Engineering recommending an emergency change order to the contract with Sullivan County Paving to replace the aeration system in pond #2. There is only a sole surface for the equipment. Motion by Ms. Frangipane to receive and file, seconded by Mr. Blais, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Motion by Mr. Cohen to approve Change Order #3 to the Sewer Rehab contract with Sullivan County Paving in an amount not to exceed \$112,000; seconded by Mrs. Simpson, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Request from Assessor to attend Institute of Assessing Officers Educational Classes

Request has been received from Assessor Marguerite Brown to attend the Institute of Assessing Officers Educational Classes on September 30th – October 3rd \$175 registration and \$250 night. The cost of the classes are 100% reimbursable. This is on-stop shopping rather than attending classes all year throughout the State. Motion by Mrs. Simpson to approve attendance, seconded by Mr. Blais, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

2013 Renewal license letter from Bethel Motor Speedway

Correspondence has been received from Bethel Motor Speedway requesting to renew their racetrack license for 2013. Motion by Ms. Frangipane to receive and file, seconded by Mr. Blais, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Set Public Hearing for Bethel Motor Speedway October 10th at 7:45

Motion by Mr. Cohen to set Bethel Motor Speedway 2013 public hearing license renewal for October 10th at 7:45 p.m., seconded by Ms. Frangipane, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Mr. Sturm mentioned everything was great this year; 5 out of the 6 things. The one time was the paving. Tracy Chirico, track manger, stated that she has a consultant coming in to use black top millings. Mr. Sturm reiterated it needs paving, not as many complaints about dust, but there is still a dust problem.

Ag Committee Update

Ms. Frangipane announced the Ribbon Cutting/Grand Opening of Cunningham Family Farms on September 29th at 10:30 a.m. Next Ag meeting October 16th, 7:00 p.m.

Public Comment

Dr. Allan Abramson would like the Town to review law to require developers to bond projects such as the White Lake Mansion House.

June Lombardi mentioned that Strout & Plank Road the pipe needs cleaning out; causing back-up and wash outs; not being maintained; better to spend a little more money now than a lot later.

2012 Code Official of the Year

Mr. Sturm announced that BetteJean Gettel, Town Code Enforcement Officer, received the *2012 Code Official of the Year* from the NYS Building Officials at their annual conference. Mrs. Gettel is the official from Sullivan County and the first woman to ever receive this award.

Adjournment

Motion by Mrs. Simpson to adjourn the meeting at 9:09 p.m., seconded by Mr. Cohen, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita J. Sheehan, Town Clerk