

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

Council members present: Lillian Hendrickson  
Vicky Simpson  
Denise Frangipane  
Bernie Cohen

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Notice of Scholarship Award for Cornell Clerk's Institute**

Correspondence has been received from the Municipal Clerks Education Foundation Scholarship Committee announcing the award of a \$400 scholarship to Rita Sheehan, Bethel Town Clerk, for the 2013 Cornell Municipal Clerks Institute. Motion by Denise Frangipane to receive and file, seconded by Lillian Hendrickson, put to vote and carried 5-0.

**Request to attend 2013 Cornell Municipal Clerk's Institute**

Correspondence has been received from Bethel Town Clerk, Rita Sheehan, requesting to attend the 2013 Cornell Municipal Clerks Institute on July 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> in Ithaca, NY at a cost of \$800 including all classes, class materials, lodging and meals. Ms. Sheehan informed the Town Board she has applied for a \$400. Scholarship from the New York State Town Clerks Association. Motion by Vicky Simpson to receive, file and approve, seconded by Lillian Hendrickson, put to vote and carried 5-0.

**Internet Provider Survey**

Town Clerk Rita Sheehan announced that she has an Internet Provider Survey in the May newsletter which can also be accessed on the Town Website. Deadline May 31, 2013.

**Presentation #1: David Bodenstein 2013-2014 Insurance Proposal**

Last year was the town's last year in NY Reciprocal Capitalization. Up 3.2% which has been budgeted.

Premiums:  
2012 \$ 97,289.96  
2013 \$100,465.45

Increase is due to claims and property automatically goes up in value 3%.

Motion by Vicky Simpson to approve insurance renewal, seconded by Lillian Hendrickson, put to vote and carried 5-0.

**Presentation #2: NY Rural Water Assoc. Sewer Line Smoke Testing Program**

Steve Grimm, NYRWA, explained they are a federally funded technical assistance provider, so they are a free service.

I & I filtration of excess water in plant – costs a lot of money to treat. If the town reaches 95% a flow plan is required.

This is a pre-emptive measure, not a DEC mandate at this point.  
-sewer manhole infiltration  
-homeowner laterals  
-clean-out caps

This typically won't cost town or residents too much to fix.

Smoke is non-toxic, does have an order  
Notify public, no longer than a week before  
Fliers an be mailed, door hangers an option  
Test needs to be done when residents are here  
Code Enforcement follow-ups with violations if needed

The only cost is for liquid smoke USA Blue Book about  
\$300 gal. x 5 gals. = \$1,500.00  
3 ½ days if manholes accessible  
Central Ave, 17B

Not doing Route 55 extension to Bethel Woods

**Discussion sewer line smoke testing program**

Mr. Sturm will give everyone a copy of packet. Mr. Grimm is available to answer any questions.

Lillian Hendrickson has been up to the plant, so informed now, very important to due.

Denise mentioned to factor traffic control and find manholes  
Town needs to hold harmless NYRWA

Motion by Lillian Hendrickson to approve, second by Denise Frangipane, put to vote and carried 5-0.

Field notes will be turned over to Engineers.  
Engineers will write a report.

**Noise permits application for Yasgur Road Productions, LLC**

Mr. Sturm reviewed noise application by Yasgur Road Productions, LLC. For august 15<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>.

Motion by Lillian Hendrickson to receive and file, seconded by Denise Frangipane, put to vote and carried 5-0.

Mr. Sturm has no questions or comments on Planning Board decision, he agrees with times set in special use permit.

Motion by Vicky Simpson to approve, seconded by Lillian Hendrickson, put to vote and carried 5-0 as follows:

1. The noise to be generated pursuant to this Permit shall occur only on the following dates and times;
 

a) Thursday, August 15, 2013	(10:00 a.m. – 2:00 a.m.)
b) Friday, August 16, 2013	(10:00 a.m. – 2:00 a.m.)
c) Saturday, August 17, 2013	(10:00 a.m. – 2:00 a.m.)
d) Sunday, August 18, 2013	(10:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m.)
2. Any revocation or suspension of the Special Use Permit issued to the Applicant by the Town of Bethel Planning Board on April 9, 2013 may result in the revocation or suspension of this Permit;
3. Any violation of this Permit shall be subject to §220-8 of the Bethel Town Code and any other remedy available to the Town at law.
4. This Permit shall expire on August 18, 2013 at 12:00 a.m.

**Resolution to approve SC Mitigation Hazard Plan**

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF BETHEL TOWN BOARD TO ADOPT THE  
2012 SULLIVAN COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL  
HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE**

WHEREAS, Sullivan County with the assistance from Barton & Loguidice, P.C. has gathered information and prepared the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update for Sullivan County, New York; and

WHEREAS, the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update for Sullivan County, New York has been prepared in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act 2000 and Title 44 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 201 and;

WHEREAS, Title 44 CFR, Chapter 1, Part 201.6 (c)(5) requires each local government participating in the preparation of a multi-jurisdictional Local Mitigation Plan or Plan Update to accept and adopt such plan; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Bethel has reviewed the 2012 Hazard Mitigation Plan Update, has found the documents to be acceptable, and as a local unit of government, has afforded its citizen an opportunity to comment and provide the input regarding the Plan Update and the actions in the Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Bethel will consider the Sullivan County Hazard Mitigation Plan during the implementation and updating of local planning mechanisms, and will incorporate the hazard assessment date, hazard vulnerabilities, and mitigation actions in these mechanisms, where applicable,

WHEREAS, the Town of Bethel has reviewed the plan and affirms that the Plan will be updated no less than every five years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Bethel, as a participating jurisdiction, adopts the Multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update for Sullivan County, New York, dated October 2012, and resolves to execute the actions in the Plan.

ADOPTED this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2013 on a motion by Councilwoman Denise Frangipane, seconded by Councilman Bernie Cohen, with 5 ayes and 0 nays.

**Correspondence from Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther regarding justice court traffic adjudication process**

Correspondence has been received back from Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther supporting the town's Motion by Denise Frangipane to receive and file, seconded by Vicky Simpson, put to vote and carried 5-0. Mr. Sturm suggested sending thank-you note to Aileen Gunther & John Bonacic. Motion by Denise Frangipane to send letters, seconded by Lillian Hendrickson, put to vote and carried 5-0.

**Set clean-up dates (May 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>), rules and approve ad**

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RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PARTICIPATION IN THE  
2013 COUNTY MUNICIPAL CLEAN-UP

WHEREAS, The Town of Bethel will be participating in the 2013 municipal cleanup to improve the appearance of Sullivan County, and

WHEREAS, the County of Sullivan has set guidelines and regulations for the Town's who are participating in the program, and

WHEREAS , The Town of Bethel Town Board is desirous of participating and has authorized the Town Supervisor to sign any and all necessary agreements with the County of Sullivan.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Bethel will conduct their annual spring clean up on Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, May 5, 2013.

Motion by Denise Frangipane, seconded by Bernie Cohen adopted on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2013, with 5 ayes and 0 nays.

**NYSERDA “Buy Green” Rebate**

Mr. Sturm announced that the Town received rebate from NYSERDA for new air conditioners \$629.00 (75% off cost).

**2012 Audited Financial Statements**

Cooper & Arias filed the 2012 Financial Statements with the Town Board and Town Clerk. They will make a presentation at May meeting. Motion by Vicky Simpson to receive and file, seconded by Lillian Hendrickson, put to vote and carried 5-0.

**Bethel Ag Committee Update**

Ms. Frangipane announced the next meeting May 15<sup>th</sup>. The Liberty AG Committee came to Bethel’s April meeting to discuss projects they can work on together.

Current activities:

- Tour of Cornell kitchen in May 2013 at Cornell
- AG Committee putting ad in Bethel Guide
- Working on land use recommendations to Town Board
- 2013 Farm Stock Tour

**Town Board Comments**

Lillian Hendrickson took an informative tour of sewer plant, dredging ponds, next building receiving station, then accept septage. Vicky Simpson is working on a “Youth Community Garden” at the Town Park.

Bernie Cohen mentioned that the Highway Department is getting a quote on new paver; state bid. Should be done sweeping next week.

Denise Frangipane mentioned that the Town Board previously approved no smoking at Gazebo at state boat launch. A sign is needed.

**Public Comments**

Bob Barnett mentioned that at Mountain Lakes & Pine Grove Rd. The “Children at Play” sign is to far back from road. Four “Tetz” Trucks came through today. The hill is a concern because beach will be opening soon along with active bicyclers and walkers.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Lillian Hendrickson, seconded by Bernie Cohen, put to vote and carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

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Rita J. Sheehan, Town Clerk