

Clerk. Total fund balances on hand at the end of the period are \$ 731,354.05. The report for the period ending October 31, 2010 not available, due to the time frame of the November meeting. Supervisor Davis stated that the current bank statements are in the notebooks on the table and are available for review by the Board.

10-129 Motion: to approve the Supervisor's Report, subject to audit.

Made by: Lawrence Mierek Second Edward Mader

Motion carried: 4 Ayes 0 Nays

Ayes: Leonard Charney, Edward Mader, Lawrence Mierek, Veronica Murphy

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Weather: the weather has held for finishing up the seasonal work. All signs indicate a snowy winter, and the department will be prepared with all salt and sand in for the winter.

Road Projects: the department has finished road projects, with the rebuilding and resurfacing of 6 town roads. Repaired a plugged drain on Knollwood Circle. Gradall work has continued for several days on ditching and culvert work. We made a beaver deceiver for the Town Line Road culvert.

Other Projects: the office at the Highway Department is being remodeled and will soon be finished.

Equipment Repair: Routine maintenance continues on a daily basis:

Truck #30 -- welding on the head board, along with tarp repair.

Truck #31 -- headlight issues

Truck #16 -- new battery covers

Truck # 8 -- sander mounted

Loader #23 -- four new tires

Gradall -- new front tires

Cost Savings: the John Deere loader needed new tires, as we had borrowed tires from several other towns for use on it. The time had come to purchase new tires for the loader. Prices quoted for radial tires was \$1000 to \$1600 for each tire. We were able to purchase bias tread tires at a substantial savings to the town. These tires should last two to three years.

New Trucks: we have received our new trucks. Two Freightliner truck with plow equipment, one is a tandem axle and the other is single axle. Our current sanders are going on these new trucks. Currently we have three tandems ready for plowing and sanding.

Training since the new trucks are computer driven, it is important that the men have diagnostic training on these trucks. Have been looking into options for training.

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Budget Transfer H/S Stevens reported that due to an under estimate of the amount materials needed to double stone and oil the south end of Main Street (Westernville) and two other roads, it was a 20% over the amount needed. A budget transfer of \$ 8000.00 needs to be done to cover the overage. A transfer from DA5110.4 to DA5112.2 will balance this account.

10-130 Motion: to approve a budget transfer in the highway funds of \$ 8000.00 from DA5110.4 to DA5112.2 to cover extra expenses on capital improvement projects.

Made by: Leonard Charney Second Veronica Murphy
Motion carried: 5 Ayes 0 Nays
Ayes: Leonard Charney, Edward Mader, Lawrence Mierek, Veronica Murphy, Robin Davis

Highway Services Consolidation H/S Stevens reported that the executive committee of the Highway Superintendents Association continues to meet with county officials concerning the consolidation of services for highway maintenance. It is felt that the county will consolidate the services with or without an agreement from the superintendents.

Oliver Road Bridge: H/S Stevens stated that the Oliver Road Bridge has been '*yellow flagged*' by New York State Department of Transportation. The Town is going to need to repair this bridge or replace it. If not the bridge will be '*red flagged*' and closed to all traffic. Have considered many options for repairing/replacing the bridge and what would be most cost effective for the town.

10-131 Motion: to accept the Highway Superintendent's report

Made by: Edward Mader Second Veronica Murphy
Motion carried: 5 Ayes 0 Nays
Ayes: Leonard Charney, Edward Mader, Lawrence Mierek, Veronica Murphy, Robin Davis

OLD BUSINESS:

Planning Board Secretary: Supervisor Davis spoke with Mike Hoke, (Planning Board Chairman) and he has someone in mind, to fill this position.

Shared Services - Dumpsters: the shared services grant with the town of Floyd for dumpsters for large item disposal has been denied. Supervisor Davis asked the Board if they wanted to pursue the grant again. She also will talk with the town of Floyd about whether or not, they want to submit another grant.

NEW BUSINESS:

ZBA Vacancy: Due to appointment of Lawrence Mierek to the Town Board, there is now a vacancy on the Zoning Board of Appeals. T/C Centro suggested Diane Lux for the vacancy on the ZBA.

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10-132 Motion: to appoint Diane Lux, (Main Street, Westernville) to the Zoning Board of Appeals, to fill a recent vacancy. Her term will be from November 03, 2010 to December 31, 2013.

Made by: Edward Mader Second Lawrence Mierek
Motion carried: 5 Ayes 0 Nays
Ayes: Leonard Charney, Edward Mader, Lawrence Mierek, Veronica Murphy, Robin Davis

County Plowing Contract: Supervisor Davis stated that the contract for plowing county roads for the winter of 2010 - 2011 needs to be approved. Some of the wording has been changed but basically the contract is the same as last year.

10-132 Motion: to approve the 2010 - 2011 contract to plow county roads with Oneida County. To authorize Supervisor Davis and H/S Stevens to sign the contract.

Made by: Leonard Charney Second Veronica Murphy

Motion carried: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

Ayes: Leonard Charney, Edward Mader, Lawrence Mierek, Veronica Murphy, Robin Davis

2011 Budget: Following the public hearing, the Board needs to consider the 2011 budget. Supervisor Davis asked for input from the Board.

C/M Mierek questioned the amount budgeted for health insurance (highway employees & superintendent) and was the anticipated 15% increase included. -- Yes it was included.

C/M Mader suggested putting more funds in the health insurance budget account.

C/M Mierek stated that a tax increase of 11%, might put a burden on town tax payers, with county taxes and school taxes also being increased.

Supervisor Davis stated that due to increases in state retirement, funds needed for bridges and health insurance increases have caused the increase in the funds needed.

Other discussion it was noted that there were not town tax payers at the public hearing to object to the 2011 budget or the estimated tax increase. The Board went through the budget line by line and moved funds between the budget accounts and reduced funds in some accounts.

10-133 Motion: to approve the 2011 Town of Western Budget, with the changes noted.

Made by: Edward Mader Second Leonard Charney

Motion carried: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

Ayes: Leonard Charney, Edward Mader, Lawrence Mierek, Veronica Murphy, Robin Davis

2011 Salary List Supervisor Davis stated that the Board needs to approve the salary list as presented to the Board.

C/M Murphy stated that in the current economy, she objects to the raises, that were given to the elected officials. Other industries and business have suspended raises this year.

Supervisor Davis stated that the raises are only 3.75% and add about \$ 3000 to the total budget and not all officials were given raises.

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10-134 Motion: to approve the 2011 Salary List as presented with the raises as indicated.

Made by: Edward Mader Second Lawrence Mierek

Motion carried: 4 Ayes 1 Nay

Ayes: Leonard Charney, Edward Mader, Lawrence Mierek, Robin Davis

Nays: Veronica Murphy

Dog Licensing Law: the vote on the dog licensing law was tabled to the December 2010 meeting.

10-135 Motion: to adjourn the November 03, 2010 Town Board Meeting at 9:30 pm.

Made by: Lawrence Mierek Second Veronica Murphy

Motion carried 5 Ayes 0 Nays

Ayes: Leonard Charney, Edward Mader, Lawrence Mierek, Veronica Murphy, Robin Davis

Mary J. Centro, RMC
Town Clerk

Next Regular Town Board Meeting

Monday December 13, 2010 at 7:00 pm.