

**TOWN OF WESTERN
BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 13, 2010**

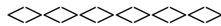


Present

Town Supervisor	Robin Davis	Town Clerk	Mary J. Centro
Councilman	Leonard Charney	Councilman	Edward Mader
Councilman	Lawrence Mierek	Councilman	Veronica Murphy
Highway Superintendent	Thomas Stevens	Town Attorney	Charles Engelbrecht, Esq.

Visitors

Harlan Moonan (NOCCOG)



Supervisor Davis called the December 13, 2010 Town Board meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. It was determined a quorum was present.

MINUTES:

A motion is in order and on file that the reading of the minutes of the previous Board meetings be dispensed with.

10-136 Motion: to accept the minutes of the November 03, 2010 Town Board Meeting.

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

WARRANT:

A motion is in order and on file that the reading of the itemized warrant be dispensed with and the totals read only:

The Warrant (bills) for the month of November 2010 were presented by the Town Clerk:

General Fund	Vouchers	483 -- 518	\$	30,170.78
Highway Fund	Vouchers	519 -- 544	\$	24,237.20
		Total	\$	54,409.98

The Board held a discussion concerning the health care coverage for the highway employees and why there is no voucher this month. H/S Stevens stated that he believes that in the last few months the Town has been over charged and he is discussing the issue with the health carrier. So no payment this month.

10-137 Motion: to approve the December 2010 Warrant, subject to audit,

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

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

The Supervisor's report for the period ending October 31, 2010 was filed with the Town Clerk.

Total fund balances on hand at the end of the period are \$ 531,601.40. The report for the period ending November 30, 2010 not available. Supervisor Davis stated that the current bank statements are in the notebooks, on the table, and are available for review by the Board.

10-138 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: Winter started on November 25th for the department and all trucks were ready for the winter work.

Ben Cady Bridge: we received a *yellow flag* warning from the NYSDOT on the Ben Cady bridge guard rail supports. The bolts were pulling out and the concrete was eroding. This situation was requested to be repaired as soon as possible. We formed and poured concrete to correct five supports just before the weather worsened. We will take pictures and complete the paperwork for the DOT.

Water Stokes Westernville Road: on December 4th, we received a 911 call of water freezing on the road near the A-OK Camp grounds. The water was running down a driveway and freezing in the road. With a couple of heavy salt applications, the situation was cleared up.

Helping the Fire Company: the department has been working with our Fire Department on several issues. One issue was a tree down on Hillside. The second, we accepted delivery of a new tank for them and will be assisting to install it on their truck with highway department equipment.

Town of Lee: in a cooperative effort, we have been assisting the Town of Lee by hauling cold patch to an emergency bridge project they were trying to finish before winter set in.

Radio Equipment: due to new Federal regulations concerning the radio equipment in our trucks and at the tower, the department had all equipment updated and now meet the new regulations.

Old Fuel Tanks: one of the old 275 gallon fuel tanks from the library, is being used by our department as a holding tank for kerosene. The tank was placed near the (kerosene) operated pressure washer. As required by the D.E.C., the tank was color coded, numbered and placed on the list of tanks, on our permit.

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Auto Car: In January, we will advertise the 1995 Auto Car, complete with plow equipment for sale. Using newspapers and internet, we will ask for sealed bids, with a reserve of between \$12,000 to 13,000.

Equipment Repair: Routine maintenance continues on a daily basis:

Truck #16 -- blew a main hydraulic hose on its sander

Truck #16 -- has had a flat tire

Loader #22 -- four new tires

Truck #1 -- have been having problems starting the truck
Truck #8 -- sander chain broke

Warranty Work: On truck #7 the Freightliner, warranty work was done to diagnosis a code reading. The truck was taken to Syracuse Penn Diesel for a faulty code reading, which was repaired. The truck was out of service for only one day.

Equipment Software: In the future, the department is going to need a lap top and software, in order to diagnosis any problems with the new Freightliner trucks. This software can be used on both the old and new trucks. The software will be expensive and not sure the cost of a lap top. The men will need to learn how to use the new software to solve any problems with the trucks.

10-139 Motion: to accept the Highway Superintendent's report

Made by: Leonard Charney Second Edward Mader

Motion carried: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

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

OLD BUSINESS:

Dog Licensing Law: Supervisor Davis stated that the Board needs to approve and pass Local Law #01 of 2010 for the licensing of dogs within the Town. A short discussion followed.

10-140 Motion: to approve and pass Local Law #01 of 2010 for the licensing of dog within the Town of Western, effective January 01, 2011.

Made by: Veronica Murphy Second Edward Mader

Motion carried: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

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

Year End Meeting: Supervisor Davis suggested that the Board hold the year end meeting on Wednesday December 29, 2010. The Board agreed and set the time at 6:00 pm.

NEW BUSINESS:

Budget Transfer: Supervisor Davis stated that a budget transfer of \$97,024.94 needs to be done, to allocate the Sales Tax revenue received.

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10-141 Motion: to transfer \$97,024.94 from Account A1120 (Non-Property Taxes) to DA1120 (Highway Non Property Taxes) to allocate sales tax revenue received.

Made by: Edward Mader Second Lawrence Mierek

Motion carried: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

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

Board of Assessment Review: The term for John Eggan, Jr. on this BAR has expired and he needs to be re-appointed.

10-142 Motion: to appoint John Eggan, Jr. (Town Line Road) to the Board of Assessment Review for a five year term. His term will be from December 13, 2010 to September 30, 2015.

Made by: Leonard Charney Second Lawrence Mierek

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

Capital Reserve Accounts: Supervisor Davis stated that after the first of the year, she will talk with the accountant to set up capital reserve accounts for machinery and bridges. At that time the Board can decide the amounts to be moved into these accounts.

January 2011 Meeting: The Board agreed to hold the January Organizational and Regular Board meetings on Monday January 03, 2011 at 7:00 pm.

10-143 Motion: to recess the December 13, 2010 Board Meeting to Wednesday December 29, 2010 at 6:00 pm. Meeting recessed at 8:00 pm

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

**Mary J. Centro, RMC
Town Clerk**

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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.