

Minutes of the meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Durham held June 15, 2004 at the Town Building in Oak Hill, N.Y.

Present: Gary Hulbert - Supervisor
Linda Sutton - Councilwoman
Robert Elpel - Councilman
Jodi Wood – Councilwoman

Absent: William A. Carr, Jr. – Councilman

Recording Secretary: Chris Kohrs – Deputy Town Clerk
Others Present: Wesley Moore - Highway Superintendent
Tal Rapplelea – Attorney for the Town
Charles G. Soderblom – Town Clerk
Guenther Ohm - County Legislator

The Supervisor called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. with the Pledge to the Flag. Twenty-seven people were present.

Mr. Elpel made a motion to approve the minutes of the meetings of May 5, May 18 and May 25. Mrs. Sutton seconded the motion and it carried.

Supervisor Hulbert had received an application for a mass gathering permit from the Greene County Chamber of Commerce for the Greene County Fair, which is being held July 28 thru August 1. The insurance form was not provided, but will be at a later date. Mrs. Sutton did not see acknowledgement from the police departments. Tal will look over the paperwork.

Mr. Ohm, Greene County Legislator reported that the Chairman of the Republican Committee had sent a letter to 4 of the legislators to inform them that the Director of the IDA had been given a substantial raise, 27%, from \$75,000 per year to \$104,000 and a \$25,000 performance bonus and \$750 per month for expenses. The legislators had various reactions. There was a meeting last night and Mr. Quigley, a board member, told about the good work the IDA has been doing. Mr. Ohm explained the difference in the county tax collected before the land in Cocksackie was developed and after.

Wesley Moore read the Highway Superintendents Report for May. The men hauled in blacktop for Brown Road from Carvers and Cobleskill Stone. Also, blacktop was used from Peckham to patch the roads. They used 9007 gallons of liquid calcium for dust control and 8752 gallons on a section of Allan Teator Road that we are rebuilding. Gravel from Molters gravel bank was used on roads in the Cornwallville area. Wesley had to buy four tires for the pay loader at a cost of \$3400.

The Judges Report was filed.

There was no assessors report.

The police had 41 complaints and the report was filed.

Attorney Rappleyea reported that he had followed up with McStein Road. There is still one landowner, who through his attorney, refuses to become involved in any kind of project upgrading the road. Tal will follow up with the rest of the residents.

The dog control report was filed.

The tax collector report was filed.

Mr. Cullie read the Chamber of Commerce report. The parade will be held July 3rd in East Durham. The parade will start at 11:00 and end at the Irish Cultural grounds. The grand marshals will be Helen Lawyer and Mrs. Myers. There will be free fireworks at the Irish Centre at dusk.

Mr. Cullie read the Historical Committee report for the meeting held on June 12. The commission received an application for a Certificate of Appropriateness from a resident in Cornwallville who wishes to build a single family home. The commission needed more information before they can approve the application.

Mary Mammano asked if the 40 MPH sign could be moved on Rt. 145 near the beginning of town. She has had numerous close calls because at her driveway there is a passing zone. Mr. Hulbert will check into it with the NYS highway department.

Mr. Hulbert reported that the Fabbri house in Oak Hill was for sale, but Mr. Fabbri told the buyer the deal was off, because he thought he wasn't getting a fair price, as the house has some historic value. Mr. Fabbri called June 14 and asked for a 90-day extension to possibly find a buyer. There was further discussion. **Ms. Wood made a motion to give Mr. Fabbri a 30-day extension. Mrs. Sutton seconded and all were in favor.** Tal will write the letter and invite Mr. Fabbri to the next meeting.

James Conarpe, a resident from Clay Hill Road complained about motorists speeding on his road.

Enda Reilly is looking for a variance to build a garage five feet from the property line. The town law is 10 feet. His neighbors have agreed and the code enforcement officer has signed. **Mr. Elpel made a motion to approve the variance and seconded by Mrs. Sutton. All were in favor.**

The Dog Enumeration will begin next week following the town tax map by sections.

Mr. Queen would like the speed limit on Rt. 81 running through the village of Oak Hill reduced to 35MPH. **Mrs. Sutton made a motion to get in touch with DOT to check into having the speed limit on Clay Hill posted at 35 MPH, the 45 MPH sign moved**

on Rt. 81 coming into Oak Hill and extend the 35MPH further out of town and to move the signs on Rt. 145 back closer to the village and not near the Mammano driveway. Ms. Wood seconded the motion and all were in favor.

A resident complained that the new bridge on Rt. 145 outside of East Durham has poles that were left and does not seem to be completed. Mr. Ohm suggested that the gentlemen call Mr. Winans at DOT in Cairo. Mr. Ohm will check into it.

Bonnie Greer offered comments on the proposed noise ordinance.

The board will meet with Ms. Paulette M Barlette of J K Fraser on Tuesday July 6 at 7 p.m. to J K Fraser is a firm who assists municipalities with planning projects and obtaining funding.

Mr. Ohm stated that the county has firms reviewing the road side on county route 67 and expect to start repairs in July.

Mr. Rappleyea reviewed the application for Mass Gathering from the Greene County Fair and found seven items missing. The Greene County Chamber will provide the missing information before the July 6th meeting.

The Irish Cultural Center sent a letter announcing the 1st Car show and Swap meet on June 27, 2004. They expect less than one thousand to attend.

Mr. Hulbert will contact the following individuals to see if they wish to be reappointed when their appointed positions expire. James Allan, Board of Assessment Review, 09/30/04, James Cullie and Ken Mabey, Historic Commission, 12/31/04.

Mrs. Lanzilotta will contact the NYS DOT and Central Hudson to obtain written permission to hang the street banners on the power poles.

Ms. Wood made the motion seconded by Mrs. Sutton to approve the following transfer:

From:	Contingent A1990.400	\$250.00
To:	Court Contractual A1110.400	\$250.00

Abstract #411, consisting of Vouchers #483 through #547 for \$51,110.14 was reviewed and approved for payment. The total amount was broken down as follows:

General Funds	\$15,818.55
Highway Funds	\$34,796.85
Street Lighting	\$ 494.74

Ms. Wood made the motion seconded by Mrs. Sutton to adjourn at 9:13 p.m.
Minutes approved:

Chris Kohrs, Deputy Town Clerk