

Minutes of the meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Durham held September 7, 2004 at the Town Building in Oak Hill, N.Y.

Present: Gary Hulbert – Supervisor  
 William A. Carr, Jr. - Councilman  
 Robert Elpel - Councilman  
 Jodi Wood- Councilwoman  
 Linda Sutton – Councilwoman  
 Recording Secretary: Chris Kohrs – Deputy Town Clerk  
 Others Present: Wesley Moore – Highway Superintendent

The Supervisor called the meeting to order with the Pledge to the Flag at 7:33.M. Twenty-two people were present.

Mr. Hulbert announced that the next meeting will begin at 7:00 pm with the Greene County Department of Planning Economic Development on September 21, 2004.

Mr. Hulbert announced that the state legislature passed budget legislation which will affect the return of fee revenues to all towns that normally comes from speeding tickets. The state is going to keep that revenue.

The sand bids were opened.

Carver Sand & Gravel	\$5.00 per ton loaded on town trucks
	\$7.75 per ton delivered to the town
A. Colarusso	\$5.25 per ton loaded on town trucks
	\$12.00 per ton delivered to the town
Bedrock Sand & Gravel	\$6.40 per cubic yard loaded on town trucks

The board reviewed the subdivision for New York – New Jersey Trail Conference. The adjoining landowners will be notified and a Public Hearing is scheduled for October 5, 2004 at 7:30 PM.

Mrs. Moyer submitted a survey for a simple subdivision. It did not meet the criteria; therefore, Mrs. Moyer will have the survey corrected to show the easement within her own property.

Mrs. Biolzi had her survey revised to show her 50' easement. The survey was checked and the adjoining landowners will be notified of the Public Hearing scheduled for October 5, 2004 at 7:30 PM.

Mr. LaRosa's subdivision was amended to show 4 parcels with a minimum 50' road frontage on the cul-de-sac. The adjoining landowners will be notified and a public Hearing scheduled for October 5 at 7:30 PM.

Mr. Bennett discussed Section 459C Real Property Tax Law. This allows the municipality to enact an exemption for property owners with low income and social security or railroad certified disabilities for an exemption based on a sliding scale similar to the scale used for the senior exemption. Those who receive an aged exemption are not eligible for the handicap exemption. The resident would need to show a 1099 statement documenting their income and a Social Security Award Letter or Railroad certification of disability. The board requested additional information regarding the impact on the tax base and specific qualifications for the exemption to be presented at the next meeting.

Mr. Hulbert has received information from Nathan Ingram of the NYS DOT regarding the request from the businesses in Oak Hill to have a T.O.D. sign at the corner of State Route 145 and County Route 27. Mr. Ingram explained that a T.O.D. sign on one state highway can not lead to another state highway. Mr. Hulbert has requested a copy of the legislation and will pursue this matter further.

**At 8:26 p.m. Mr. Hulbert made a motion seconded by Mr. Carr to enter executive session to discuss personnel matters.**

**At 9:00 p.m. Mr. Hulbert made a motion seconded by Mr. Carr to reopen the regular workshop.**

**Mr. Carr made a motion seconded by Mrs. Sutton to accept the sand bid received by Carver Sand and Gravel, all were in favor, the motion carried.**

Wes Moore requested permission to transfer approximately \$10,000 from Highway Surplus to Maintenance and Repair should it be necessary in order to complete the scheduled road repairs. **Ms. Wood made the motion seconded by Mr. Carr to transfer the funds as needed, all were in favor and the motion carried.**

**Mr. Carr made a motion seconded by Ms. Wood to adjourn at 9:05 p.m.**

Minutes approved:

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Chris Kohrs, Deputy Town Clerk