

Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Durham held March 15, 2005 at the Town Building in Oak Hill, NY.

Present: Gary Hulbert – Supervisor
Linda Sutton – Councilman
Robert Elpel – Councilman
William Carr – Councilman
Jodi Wood – Councilman

Recording Secretary: Chris Kohrs – Deputy Town Clerk
Others: Tal Rappleyea – Attorney
Wes Moore - Highway Superintendent
Al Schmidt – Code Enforcement
Dr. Goldstein – Health Officer

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

Mr. Elpel made the motion seconded by Ms. Wood to approve the minutes of February 3, and February 15, 2005. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Mr. Hulbert announced the following: Schedule for the Greene County Rabies Clinics, the town has been notified that we will be receiving \$7,500 from the Greenway Grant to be used to develop a comprehensive plan.

Wes More, Highway Superintendent reported that the crews have been busy cleaning up from the eight snowstorms and snow squalls. The crew used 4320 gals. of calcium chloride to help keep the roads clear. In between storms he has had been hauling in additional sand, salt and liquid calcium. It was necessary to switch from Carver to Callanans as Carver was running out of material.

Al Schmidt reported that the code enforcement office had issued fourteen permits, three certificates of compliance and two certificates of occupancy as well as two violations.

The board members received the report from the judges.

Sergeant Sutton reported 29 complaints for the month including 4 accidents and one arrest.

Tal Rappleyea reported that the appointed attorney is still researching information in the Fabri estate and once they have completed the research they will know which county to file notice with. The code violation court case has once again been postponed. The next date is March 28.

Mr. Hulbert read the dog report: two complaints, two bites, four missing dogs - three were found and returned. Department of Ag and Markets performed an inspection on March 9, 2005.

Bids were opened for the 2000 Dodge Pickup from the following:

Bertini	\$2800
Thornton	\$2801
Bunting	\$4250

Ms. Wood made the motion seconded by Mr. Carr to accept the bid from Bunting as the high bidder. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Mr. Hulbert received a bid to repair the fence in Brandow Park from AC Fence for \$3000. The specs given were 40# steel post and 9-gage fence. There is a bid on file from Catskill Fence from October 2004. Mr. Hulbert will contact Catskill Fence to see if their price is still good and make sure that the specs are the same as AC Fence. The goal of the board is to have the fence repaired prior to the start of the little league season.

Mr. Hulbert received proposals for telephone systems from the following companies:

S & F Telecommunications	\$4110.80
Cornerstone Communications	\$3700.00
East Side Communications	\$5440.00

Mr. Carr made the motion seconded by Mrs. Sutton to set up a meeting with Cornerstone Communications to review their proposal. All were in favor and the motion carried.

The board reviewed the previously approved subdivision for Mrs. Moyer. As the subdivision was not filed with the county within the required number of days, it was necessary for the board to approve it again. **Mrs. Sutton made the motion seconded by Ms. Wood to approve the subdivision of Moyer. All were in favor motion carried.**

The board reviewed the proposed Site Plan Review Law the following items were discussed: what is the recourse for non-compliance, would a home office addition apply, and would a change in use apply. The board decided to review the process further at the next meeting.

The supervisor received a contract from Nan Stolzenburg d/b/a Community Planning & Environmental Associates, for Comprehensive Plan Development. After some discussion it was decided that the board would request a quote from Frazier Assoc. and make a decision at the next meeting.

Dr. Goldstein reviewed the table top exercise. The situation involved an overturned tractor-trailer with hazardous placards in front of Stiefel's. Considering the weather there was a good turnout by all agencies. East Durham was not present as it was the funeral for one of their members.

Mr. Elpel made the motion seconded by Mr. Carr to approve the following transfers:

FROM:	A1990.400 CONTINGENT	\$290.00
TO:	A1220.401 SUPERVISOR - CONT. AUDIT	

FROM:	A1990.400 CONTINGENT	\$1,600.00
TO:	A6989.419 ECON & DEVELOP-SIDEWALK	

Abstract #504, consisting of Vouchers #232 through #243 for \$14,074.20 was reviewed and approved for payment. The total was broken down as follows:

Trust & Agency	\$14,074.20
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Abstract #505, consisting of Vouchers #244 through #305 for \$57,528.05 was reviewed and approved for payment. The total was broken down as follows:

General Funds	\$21,283.12
Highway Funds	\$35,684.73
Street Lighting	\$ 560.20

Mrs. Sutton made a motion seconded by Ms. Wood to adjourn at 8:55 p.m.

Minutes approved:

Chris Kohrs, Deputy Town Clerk