

A REGULAR MEETING, TOWN OF DURHAM, MARCH 13, 2011

A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Durham, County of Greene and the State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 7309 State Route 81, East Durham, NY on the 13th, day of March.

PRESENT:

William Carr	----	Deputy Supervisor
Jerry Cunningham	----	Councilperson
Linda Sutton	----	Councilperson
Jodi Wood	----	Councilperson
Chris Kohrs	----	Town Clerk

ABSENT:

Gary Hulbert	----	Supervisor
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OTHERS PRESENT: Alan Beechert-Highway Superintendent, Larry Cooke-Code Enforcement Officer, Thomas Sutton – Police Sgt. and eleven community members.

Deputy Supervisor Carr called the meeting to order 7:32 p.m.

Mrs. Sutton moved to approve the minutes of February 1 and February 15, seconded by Mr. Cunningham. All in favor motion carried. (4-years, Sutton, Cunningham, Carr, Wood, Absent-Hulbert)

Deputy Supervisor Carr announced the Annual Corn Beef and Cabbage Dinner to benefit the East Durham Vol. Fire Co. March 17 from 5-8 p.m. at the Shamrock House.

Rich Lendin with the Durham Ambulance squad reported during the February 27 calls were dispatched, 22 were transports, 3 refused medical attention, 2 were canceled and one was a standby at the fire scene. Year to date there were 66 calls with 100% call coverage. They continue to receive applications and the current crews are very dedicated to the squad.

Highway Superintendent Beechert reported working through twelve storms using 1540 tons of sand and salt. The lighting contract is completed. The new truck is at Arrowhead and waiting for a wiring harness for the sander.

Deputy Supervisor Carr reported that building department had not building did not receive any applications this month and issued two certificates of compliance.

Code Enforcement Officer Cooke reported little activity in his department expect for the usual inspections for the GSK and Blackthorne projects. He attended required training in Lake Placid last week and found the conference excellent and much new material was presented.

Sgt. Sutton reported his department handled 41 complaints.

Clerk/Collector Kohrs reported collection of \$2,687,742.06 taxes, \$2,503.15 penalties as of 03/15/11 leaving \$743,219.03 - 22% uncollected.

Eli Joseph-Hunter asked the board what he needs to do to open a wholesale greenhouse on County Route 20 between Strong Road and Cornwallville Road. He was advised to complete the Site Plan Application and submit to the Town Clerk to be reviewed at the April 5, 2011 meeting.

Jo-Ann Rascoe of Durham Chamber NY announced the Chamber will host a Balloon Festival June 18 in the open field next to the Milk Run. It promises to be family fun filled day of games, vendors and food, details still developing.

Irene Lanzilotta inquired if the Town Board would be interested in paying half and the business owners half for new road banners.

Mrs. Sutton announced that the Task Force will be responsible for the hanging baskets for the East Durham Main Street.

Guy Norbury asked for additional information on the re-valuation process.

Jo-Ann Rascoe announced the Durham Chamber NY would hold a community clean-up day April 30.

Mrs. Sutton moved to approve the following transfers seconded by Ms. Wood all in favor motion carried. (4-years, Sutton, Cunningham, Carr, Wood, Absent-Hulbert)

FROM:	Highway Surplus	\$ 25,000.00
<i>TO:</i>	DA-5142.400 Snow, Contractual	\$ 25,000.00
FROM:	General Surplus	\$ 5,000.00
<i>TO:</i>	A-1440.400 Engineer, Contractual	\$ 5,000.00

(* \$5,065 will be transferred from GSK escrow account to reimburse town)

Abstract #104, consisting of 2011 Vouchers #225 through #244 for \$38,140.63 broken down as follows:

General Funds	\$ 257.85
Highway Funds	\$ 401.37
Trust & Agency	\$ 37,481.41

Abstract #105, consisting of 2011 Vouchers #245 through #307 for \$160,718.60 broken down as follows:

General Funds	\$ 40,070.43
Highway Funds	\$ 119,816.64
Street Lighting	\$ 831.53

Mr. Cunningham motioned to adjourn at 8:07 p.m. seconded by Mrs. Sutton.

Minutes approved: _____
Chris Kohrs, Clerk/Collector