

A REGULAR MEETING, TOWN OF DURHAM, APRIL 5, 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 5th, day of April.

PRESENT:	Gary Hulbert	----	Supervisor
	William Carr	----	Deputy Supervisor
	Jerry Cunningham	----	Councilperson
	Jodi Wood	----	Councilperson
	Chris Kohrs	----	Town Clerk
ABSENT:	Linda Sutton	----	Councilperson

OTHERS PRESENT: Alan Beechert-Highway Superintendent, Larry Cooke-Code Enforcement Officer, David Cunningham-Building Inspector, Patti Handel-Legislator and twenty-one community members.

Supervisor Hulbert called the meeting to order 7:30 p.m. and asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of recently departed community member Elsie Allan.

Ms. Wood motioned to appoint Reay Mahler-Durham Ambulance as the town's representative to the Greene County EMS Council, seconded by Mr. Cunningham all in favor motion carried. (4-yees, Hulbert, Cunningham, Carr & Wood, 1-absent, Sutton)

The board will allow GSK to present a Site Plan Review at the April 19 board meeting, rather than having them wait for the May 3 meeting.

Ms. Wood motioned to allow the Cairo-Durham School District to use the Patrick Kellegher Memorial Baseball Field for their 2011 Softball season, seconded by Mr. Carr all in favor motion carried. (4-yees, Hulbert, Cunningham, Carr & Wood, 1-absent, Sutton)

The Knights of Columbus wishes to hold a Saturday Flea Market during the summer and inquired as to whether a Site Plan Review would be required. The board discussed and concluded it fit within their normal fundraising activity and a Site Plan Review would not be required. The Town Clerk will notify the Knights.

Mr. Carr motioned to approve funding for Greene County Council of the Arts Sprouts Program seconded by Mr. Cunningham, all in favor motion carried. (4-yees, Hulbert, Cunningham, Carr & Wood, 1-absent, Sutton)

Mr. Sardo of Sardo Surveying presented a subdivision application for Joseph Naugle of Morrison Road, Acra. Mr. Naugle has a 14.443-acre parcel he wishes to subdivide into two lots, 1-7.443 acres and 1-7.0 acres. The public hearing will be May 3, 2011. The Town Clerk will send the proper notifications.

The Asaro Subdivision was removed from the agenda, as the board had not received the documentation from the application showing the subdivision was what Mrs. Asaro had instructed in her will. The documentation received showed that Mr. Paul Asaro was executor of the estate. The Town Attorney had left a message for Mr. Asaro's attorney and had not heard back.

The board reviewed the Site Plan Application received from Eli Joseph-Hunter d/b/a Greene Bee Greenhouse, LTD. They currently have been doing a small wholesale business from their home and would like to expand to a retail business. The driveway is 18 feet wide and can adequately handle traffic in and out. As the site is located on County Route 20, the application will be forward to the County Planning Board for review and comments. The Town Attorney will forward to the county and once the board has received their response they will call Mr. Joseph-Hunter back.

The board reviewed the Site Plan Application received from Niall Donnelly who would like to place a used car lot on his residential parcel located on State Route 145 on the north end of the hamlet of East Durham. The application needs to be reviewed by NYS DOT for signage, egress, and ingress. Once the State has reviewed and offered their comments the board will call Mr. Donnelly back.

Mr. Cunningham motioned to approve the request from Highway Superintendent Beechert to purchase culvert pipe under state contract seconded by Mr. Carr all in favor motion carried. (4-yeas, Hulbert, Cunningham, Carr & Wood, 1-absent, Sutton)

Ms. Wood motioned to approve the request from Highway Superintendent Beechert to request bids for the Salt Shed seconded by Mr. Carr all in favor motion carried. (4-yeas, Hulbert, Cunningham, Carr & Wood, 1-absent, Sutton)

Highway Superintendent Beechert explained to the board his desire to move up the purchase schedule for the next snowplow. The cost for a new plow purchased this season is \$40,000 more than what it cost for the snowplow purchased last year. Given the rapid rate increase from one year to the next it is projected that it could increase \$25,000 the following year and as we still have not received the truck purchased last year it would be prudent to make this purchase this year. The money has been set aside and ear marked for equipment purchase. If approved this truck would replace the 1999 International and the 1979 Walters. Neither truck would be completely retired they would be reassigned to routes with easier terrain.

RESOLUTION 2011-08 Purchase of a 2011 Western Star, Model 4900 Plow with snow equipment

Councilman Carr offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town of Durham has need of a snowplow; and

WHEREAS, the State of New York has advertised and has chosen Tracey Equipment, Inc. as the contractor

WHEREAS, Tracey Equipment, Inc. quoted a price of \$205,235.00 based on 2011 NYS contract # PC62376 for the Town of Durham to purchase said vehicle

NOW THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town of Durham does hereby purchase said 2011 Western Star Model 4900 Snow Plow with snow equipment for \$205,235.00 with extended warranty for five years \$2,681.00 totaling \$207,916.00

Seconded by Councilperson Cunningham

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote of roll call, which resulted as follows: 4 yeas, 0-Nays, 1-Absent

Mr. Hulbert-yea

Mrs. Sutton-Absent

Mr. Carr-yea

Ms. Wood-yea

Mr. Cunningham-yea

The resolution was thereupon declared adopted.

John Gavin Jr. of Gavin's Golden Hill Resort requested a reduced speed limit for the road especially in the area of the resort due to the amount of pedestrian traffic in the area. A request for review will be made to the NYS DOT.

Mr. Cunningham asked Attorney Rappleyea to follow up on the request for the Conservation Advisory Council to make a presentation to the board on Land Use regulations and guidelines.

Supervisor Hulbert introduce the newly appointed Legislator Patricia Handel who spoke briefly and encouraged all to contact her regarding any issues or concerns.

Ms. Wood motioned to adjourn at 8:11 p.m. seconded by Mr. Carr.

Minutes approved: _____
Chris Kohrs, Clerk/Collector