

A REGULAR MEETING, TOWN OF DURHAM, JUNE 19, 2012

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 19th, day of June.

PRESENT:

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Alan Beechert-Highway Superintendent, David Cunningham-Building Inspector, Tal Rappleyea-Town Attorney, Sgt. Sutton, Code Officer Len Asaro, six community members.

Supervisor Carr called the meeting to order 7:33 p.m.

Ms. Wood motioned to approve the minutes of May 1 and May 15 with the correction of the date of the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Sutton all in favor motion carried. (5-Yea, Carr, Sutton, Cunningham, Nahas and Wood)

Supervisor Carr announced the Town of Durham received an anonymous donation of \$4129.00 for the rehabilitation of Brandow Park.

Rich Lendin, Administrator of Durham Ambulance reported they were dispatched to 47 calls resulting in 34 transports. Billing, payroll and scheduling continue to go well. The lights for the helicopter-landing pad have been repaired.

Durham Ambulance were contracted to provide EMS service at the Diamond Back Motocross race held June 16 & 17 and will provide coverage at the next event July 14 & 15. They will also provide EMS coverage at the Grey Fox Blue Grass Festival July 21.

Legislator Handel was unable to attend due to another commitment, however, she will meet with Supervisor Carr Thursday morning to review what is happening at the County level of government.

Highway Superintendent Beechert reported the blacktopping of Stonitch Road is completed and plans to finish the shoulders next week, weather permitting.

Grading of dirt roads is complete, the crews continue to repair ditches as well as hand patching with blacktop. The pipe for Sutton Road is delivered and he has targeted the second week in July to install. Morrison Road, Old South Durham Highway, Pierson Road and Hervey Sunside were grader paved in preparation for the oil and stone projects. They repaired the outlet of the big pipe on Brand Hollow Road at Ed Blakeslee's which was damaged from Hurricane Irene in August 2011.

In addition, Mr. Beechert reported the majority of the FEMA money has been received from the Federal government they are still waiting on reimbursements to come in from the state.

The building at Brandow Park has been removed, Sid is mowing the edges of the town roads, the renovations on the highway office continue with the installation of internet, window shades, air conditioning, kitchen appliances, tables and chairs (donated by Future Homes in Cairo).

Building Inspector Cunningham reported issuing 4 septic permits, 1 pole barn, 1-stove, 3-add/alts, 2-sfd detached and 1-deck.

Code Enforcement Officer Asaro reported receiving ten complaints, three were unfounded, seven were founded and notices were issued: five for tall grass, one for junk cars and one for unsafe building. He received three permit applications, he granted one for fireworks and one for a shed and denied one permit for a project on State Route 145, as they did not have enough information. Mr. Asaro requested permission to purchase a code-tracking program from BAS to work in conjunction with the current BAS program. This program will allow the code officer to track violation in one area and set up form letters, notices etc. The quote for the program was \$2,210 however, Mr. Asaro has a prior working relationship with the vendor and they reached an agreement to reduce the quote to \$1,770.00. **Ms. Wood moved to approve the purchase of the BAS program at a cost of \$1,770.00 seconded by Mrs. Sutton all in favor motion carried.** (5-Yea, Carr, Sutton, Cunningham, Nahas and Wood)

Reports were received from the Judges.

No report from the Assessor.

Police Sgt. Sutton reported Durham PD having been dispatched to 53 complaints.

Nothing to report from Attorney Rappleyea.

Clerk/Collector Kohrs reported receiving \$86,991.62 in taxes, \$3,478.86 in penalties and \$100.00 in notice fees for May, which leaves \$487,461.94 uncollected for the year.

Mrs. Sutton reminded everyone the Independence Day Parade will be July 7 at 11 a.m. and a Pub Trivia fundraiser for the event will be held June 23 7 p.m. at the Shamrock House please come out and support this community event.

Historian/Councilman Nahas reported the Greene County Tour of Homes was attended by approximately 200 people who toured eleven homes in the Town of Durham. At this time, it was announced that after 23 years Councilwoman Sutton is retiring from the Durham Historic Commission. **Ms. Wood motioned to appoint Bobbi Cunningham to fill the remainder for Mrs. Sutton's term**

seconded by Mr. Nahas all in favor motion carried. (5-Yea, Carr, Sutton, Cunningham, Nahas and Wood)

The board was provided with two draft copies of signage laws to review and discuss at the next meeting. There has been an inquiry to erect bill board(s) in the Town of Durham and a concern was raised regarding how many we want and how will it fit into our comprehensive plan.

Mrs. Krebs stated a concern with dogs in Cornwallville running into the road and causing drivers to swerve or scare those who are walking down the road. The dog control officer has responded to the complaint on more than one occasion and the problem is corrected for a little while but never permanently.

Mrs. Sutton moved to approve the following transfers seconded by Mr. Cunningham all in favor motion carried. (5-Yea, Carr, Sutton, Cunningham, Nahas and Wood)

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| FROM: | A-1990.400 | Contingent | \$ | 800.00 |
| <i>TO:</i> | A-1220.401 | Supervisor | | |
| <i>Note:</i> | <i>Aud filing and YR end JE</i> | | | |
| FROM: | A-1990.400 | Contingent | \$ | 1,000.00 |
| | | Parks, | | |
| <i>TO:</i> | A-7110.400 | Contractual | | |
| <i>Note:</i> | <i>Portolets and repairs</i> | | | |
| | | Highway | | |
| FROM: | | Surplus | \$ | 27,500.00 |
| | DA-5112- | | | |
| <i>TO:</i> | 1.227 | Cap Improv - Sutton Road | | |
| <i>Note:</i> | <i>10x12 pipe - Hurricane Irene Damage</i> | | | |

Abstract #1010, consisting of 2012 Vouchers #1412 through #1432 for \$49,352.50 broken down as follows:

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| General Funds | \$ | 508.00 |
| Highway Funds | \$ | 1,524.00 |
| Trust & Agency | \$ | 47,320.50 |

Abstract #1011, consisting of 2012 Vouchers #1432 through #1502 for \$180,309.63 broken down as follows:

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| General Funds | \$ | 41,503.80 |
| Highway Funds | \$ | 138,012.22 |
| Street Lighting | \$ | 793.61 |

Ms. Wood motioned to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. seconded by Mrs. Sutton all in favor motion carried.

Minutes reviewed by board: _____
Chris Kohrs, Town Clerk