

MEETING OF THE DURHAM TOWN BOARD, MARCH 4, 2014

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 4th, day of March.

PRESENT: William Carr -- Supervisor
Jodi Wood -- Deputy Supervisor
Linda Sutton -- Councilperson
Nick Nahas -- Councilperson
Chris Kohrs -- Town Clerk

ABSENT: Jerry Cunningham -- Councilperson

OTHERS PRESENT: Joe van Holsteyn-Highway Superintendent, David Cunningham-Building Inspector, Thomas Sutton – Police Sgt., and 8 community members.

Supervisor Carr called the meeting to order 7:41 p.m.

The board granted permission for a property owner of 150+ acres to survey just the section to be subdivided off for his daughter and not the entire original parcel.

Supervisor Carr mentioned he had spoken with several town Supervisors regarding a grant writer and requested permission from the board to interview a potential individual for the position. Discussion followed and it was agreed Supervisor Carr will interview the candidate and report his finding to the board at the next meeting.

Supervisor Carr has been contacted by EVO regarding following up on the presentation they gave the board last month. They would like to tour our facility and make a recommendation of how their alternative energy unit might help to reduce our heating costs. Supervisor will schedule a meeting with them.

Highway Superintendent van Holsteyn presented the board with a request to hire an additional crewmember to work full time during the April to November and part time December to March. The board agreed to review the request and discuss at the March 18 meeting.

Mr. Nahas motioned to accept the Agreement to Spend Town Highway Funds as presented (document attached) seconded by Ms. Wood all in favor motion carried. (4-yea Carr, Sutton, Nahas, Wood, 1-Absent Cunningham)

Corp Cost Solutions has contacted Bookkeeper Moore and they would like to review our payroll and present a proposal for Worker's Compensation Insurance. Supervisor Carr can sit in on the process if necessary.

Mrs. Sutton shared the Durham Task Force will meet March 26 at the Town Hall to discuss the East Durham Sidewalk enhancement project. They have decided on which type of tree they would like to plant and will be contacting NYSDOT to learn if there are procedures which need to be followed prior to planting the trees.

There will be a Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner at the Shamrock House March 17 from 4-7 hosted by the Durham Task Force and the proceeds will benefit the Annual July 4th celebration.

The board discussed the request to purchase cemetery plots on installment plan. Discussion followed and topic was tabled.

Supervisor Carr read the Memorial Proclamation honoring Charles Soderblom. (see attached)

Supervisor Carr gave a brief update on the County Wide Ambulance Service Task Force stating that the process appears to be more complicated than first realized and there is concern among the residents that a countywide service may harm the service in certain areas of the county. Basically, the original idea of having a determination by April may be unrealistic as more research and study is necessary. Supervisor Carr added that Durham Rescue is currently being modeled by other agencies for their ability to staff and compensate their personnel.

Having reviewed the Mass Gathering Application MGP2014-01 for the Annual Irish Festival for Memorial Day weekend at the MJQIC&SC Ms. Wood motioned to approve, seconded by Mrs. Sutton all in favor motion carried. (4-yea Carr, Sutton, Nahas, Wood, 1-Absent Cunningham)

The board reviewed the request from the Zoom Flume to move the boundary line for the Wave pool parcel and the Country Place 12 feet so the addition of the Zip line will fall within the wave pool parcel. Ms. Wood motioned to approve the request seconded by Mrs. Sutton all in favor motion carried. (4-yea Carr, Sutton, Nahas, Wood, 1-Absent Cunningham)

Supervisor Carr and Mrs. Sutton reported to the board that their review of the 2013 financial records for the Clerk/Collector and the Court Clerk found no concerns.

Ms. Wood motioned to adjourn at 8:10 p.m. seconded by Mrs. Sutton.

Minutes approved: _____
Chris Kohrs, Town Clerk

AGREEMENT TO SPEND TOWN HIGHWAY FUNDS

TOWN OF DURHAM
COUNTY OF GREENE

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 284 of the Highway Law, we agree that moneys levied and collected for the repair and improvement of highways, and received from the state for the repair and improvement of highways, shall be expended as follows:

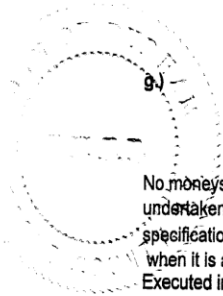
1 **GENERAL REPAIRS.** The sum of **\$209,250** may be expended for general repairs upon 84 miles of town highways, including sluices, culverts and bridges having a span of less than five feet and boardwalks or the renewals thereof.

2 **IMPROVEMENTS.** The following sums shall be set aside to be expended for the improvements of town highways:

- a.) On the road commencing at Cty Rte 20B to Cty Rte (**Woodard Rd**), the complete length, there shall be expended the sum of \$35,100.00
Type Oil & Stone **Width of traveled surface** - 18 feet
Thickness 2 coats **Subbase** Existing road pavement
- b.) On the road commencing at Stonitch Rd to Dead End (**Panorama Rd**), the complete length, there shall be expended the sum of \$13,100.00
Type Oil & Stone **Width of traveled surface** - 18 feet
Thickness 2 coats **Subbase** Existing road pavement
- c.) On the road commencing at State Rte 145 to Cty Rte 20 (**Golden Hill Rd**), there shall be expended the sum of \$62,100.00
Type Oil & Stone **Width of traveled surface** - 18 feet
Thickness 2 coats **Subbase** Existing road pavement
- d.) On the road commencing at Greenville Town Line to Westerlo Town Line (**Sunset Rd**), the complete length, there shall be expended the sum of \$8,375.00
Type Oil & Stone **Width of traveled surface** - 18 feet
Thickness 2 coats **Subbase** Existing road pavement
- e.) On the road commencing at Cornwallville Rd to Dead End (**Woodworth Meadows Rd**), the complete length, there shall be expended the sum of \$8,675.00
Type Oil & Stone **Width of traveled surface** - 18 feet
Thickness 2 coats **Subbase** Existing road pavement
- f.) On the road commencing at State Rte 145 to Stonebridge Rd (**Shady Glen Rd**), the complete length, there shall be expended the sum of \$81,900.00
Type Black Top **Width of traveled surface** - 20 feet
Thickness 3" Thick **Subbase** Existing road pavement

g.) On the roads commencing on all Town roads, there shall be expended the sum of \$135,000.00. These improvements will consist of patching, grading, ditching, brush removal, storm damage and any other improvements needed.

No moneys set aside for such improvements shall be expended, nor shall any work be undertaken on such improvements, until the County Superintendent approves the plans, specifications and estimates for such construction. This agreement shall take effect when it is approved by the County Superintendent of Highways.
Executed in duplicate this **4th day of March, 2014.**



Town Superintendent
McNair

Councilperson
absent

Councilperson

[Signature]

Town Supervisor

Councilperson

Councilperson

The foregoing Agreement is hereby approved this ____ day of _____, 2014.

County Superintendent of Highways

Memorial Proclamation

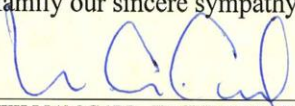
WHEREAS, Charles (Charlie) Soderblom served as Durham Town Clerk/Collector from 1986 thru 2007 and as a member of the Board of Assessment Review from 2009 til 2014; and

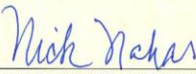
WHEREAS, Charlie demonstrated his concern for the welfare and well-being of his fellow citizens by his actions both in his private life by serving in the Army National Guard and by his participation in the American Legion as by serving as Town Clerk on the Board of Assessment Review, and

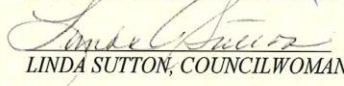
WHEREAS, The Town of Durham is deeply indebted to Charlie for his service to our community, and

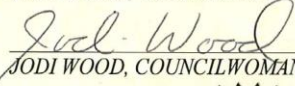
WHEREAS, Charlie's service was given with such devotion that he earned the respect, admiration and friendship of all the citizens of our community through his professional leadership and dedication;

Now, therefore . . . in recognition of Charlie's many contributions to our town and its citizens, we hereby express our deep appreciation for this dedication to the progress of this community and extend to this family our sincere sympathy upon his passing.


WILLIAM CARR, JR, SUPERVISOR


NICK NAHAS, COUNCILMAN


LINDA SUTTON, COUNCILWOMAN


JODI WOOD, COUNCILWOMAN


JERRY CUNNINGHAM, COUNCILMAN

