

TOWN OF URBANA
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
January 31, 2012

The Urbana Town Board held its special meeting on Tuesday, January 31, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Hall, 8014 Pleasant Valley Road, Bath, New York.

PRESENT: John Webster Supervisor
 John Jensen Councilman
 Jim Presley Councilman
 Tom Chadwick Councilman
 Mary Farmer Town Clerk
ABSENT: Christine Kolo Councilwoman

OTHERS PRESENT: Brent Hill, Bub Robinson, Gary Vogt, Dick Leonberger, Rachel Treichler, and Mark Schlechter.

Supervisor Webster opened the meeting at 6:30 pm.

Minutes

On motion by Councilman Chadwick, seconded by Councilman Jensen and carried, all voting Aye to approve the minutes of January 17, 2012.

Prepay Authorization

On motion by Councilman Jensen, seconded by Councilman Presley and carried, all voting Aye to authorize certain pre-paid bills with limits.

NYSEG

 Crow's Nest \$1417 approve \$1488
 Garage 1 \$975 approve \$1024
 Garage2 \$713 approve \$749
 Depot 1 \$103 approve \$109
 Depot 2 \$70 approve \$74 (All Depot electric bills are paid by either the Village or Ann Marie)
 Depot 3 \$60 approve \$63
 Old Garage \$40 approve \$42
 Street lighting \$65 approve \$68
 Town Hall \$1200 approve \$1260

Corning Natural Gas

 Depot \$375 approve \$394 bill is paid by the Village
 Garage \$1700 approve \$1785
 Town Hall \$500 approve \$525

Verizon

 Highway \$60 approve \$63
 Town other \$325 approve \$341

Time Warner (phones and internet)

 Garage \$145 approve \$152
 Town Hall \$480 approve \$504

Union Dues \$190

Paychex \$40

Insurances

 Health Ins. \$12849
 Dental Ins. \$800
 Vision Ins. \$106
 Medicare \$446
 Disability Ins. \$281 approve \$295

NYS Comptroller – Court fines
Staples (office supplies) \$750 approve \$788

Accounting Transfer

On motion by Councilman Chadwick, seconded by Councilman Presley and carried, all voting Aye to approve the transfer of \$5,000.00 from the money market account to the B Fund Cash Savings to correct a negative balance at the end of 2011.

Inter-Municipal Agreements

Supervisor Webster said he had not had a conversation with Mayor Cummings about the Town's request for more money. Mr. Webster said he would be willing to accept \$3,600.00, half of the request and ask for \$2,300-\$2,400.00 more next year.

Old Business

Moratorium Discussion

Attorney Mark Schlechter gave the Town Board a draft moratorium on fracking at the January 17th meeting. The Board discussed the language of the moratorium which generated several comments and questions which Supervisor Webster will run by Attorney John Ryan.

Councilman Jensen suggested the Board not rush into a moratorium due to the State having to wade through 60,000 comments. Mr. Jensen recommended they wait because the moratorium could be over by the time the DEC responds with a decision. He also suggested the Board work on the codes to have rules in place in order to guide future growth. Supervisor Webster will have the answers to the Boards questions at the February meeting.

Suggestions for Grants

Supervisor Webster informed the Board that Jean O'Connell agreed to reduce her annual contract \$3,000.00 to allow the Town some start-up money for a project. Some grant ideas the Board came up with:

- Youth Literacy
- Estate farm wineries
- Speaker system for the Board room
- Water lines to Bully Hill
- Champlin Dock
- Curtiss Park

Councilman Chadwick told the Board that he has had conversations with representatives from the DEC on a grading plan for Curtiss Park. Mr. Chadwick asked the Board for their approval to firm up plans and get permits in place to be ready once there is money. The Board unanimously agreed.

County Work Program

The Board talked about potential projects for the county workers such as raking and cleaning all Town land in the spring, washing windows, cleaning the highway kitchen and office, and painting. Supervisor Webster will get the list to the County by the end of February.

With no further business, on a motion by Councilman Presley, seconded by Councilman Chadwick, the meeting was adjourned at 7:49 p.m. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary M. Farmer
Town Clerk