

TOWN OF URBANA BOARD MEETING
August 17, 2010

The Urbana Town Board held its regular meeting on Tuesday, August 17, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall, 8014 Pleasant Valley Road, Bath, New York.

PRESENT:	Gordon Lanphere	Supervisor
	Joe Carroll	Councilman
	Paul Martuscello	Councilman
	Jim Presley	Councilman
	Barb Yahn	Councilwoman
	Mary Farmer	Clerk
	Dave Buckley	Superintendent

OTHERS PRESENT: Robert Byland, Tony Cecce, Carly Presley, Charles Clark, Erwin Robinson, Robert Parker, Jim Mathers, Ellen Mathers, Sharlene Parker, Lauren and Pat Welch, Lawrence Feets, Scott Sprague, Edward Stull, Steve Veley, Lance Locey, Bob Hicks, Joan and Joe Pound, Craig Wilson, Mary Perham and Delia Stull.

Supervisor Lanphere opened the Meeting at 7:01 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

On motion by Councilman Presley, seconded by Councilman Martuscello and carried, all voting Aye, to approve the Minutes of July 27, 2010.

Public Input

Robert Byland, President of Finger Lakes Underwater Preserver Association (FLUPA) approached the Board about sinking the Keuka Maid for a recreational dive site. Mr. Byland described the benefits of having sites such as this and the significant revenue it can bring to the Town. The Board explained the situation of the boats eviction and that Robert Pfuntner is still the owner of the boat and they should contact him along with all interested State agencies.

Old Business

Park Property – Councilman Presley said the repairs for the Town dock at Champlin Beach are not included in the park grant and the Town should be notified about approval or denial by the end of October.

Keuka Maid – The Board discussed the current issues with the eviction process and the need to pursue another eviction hearing. Supervisor Lanphere said he has repeatedly called Mr. Pfuntner and he is always unavailable and never returns his phone calls. The Board agreed to take action on this matter one way or another at the September 2010 meeting.

Inter-Municipal Water Agreements – Supervisor Lanphere said he spoke to Mayor Cummings about scheduling a meeting for them to meet with Randy Hoad in order to go over the proposed Agreement paragraph by paragraph.

Councilman Martuscello would like to know who owns the water lines and suggested the water rate be changed. Supervisor Lanphere said he would like a comparison of Village v. Outside usage and Councilman Martuscello offered to find out. Councilman Presley added the entire Town should not have to pay for broken lines if they occur. Only the people who benefit by having the waterlines should be responsible.

New Business

NYMIR – Scott Sprague from Sprague Insurance gave the Board an update on what is happening with the Town’s policies. Mr. Sprague reported there will be a 6% overall decrease in premiums for 2011. He also told the Board about an on-line university for employee training and that he will submit the 2011 budget information sometime in September.

Lauren Welch – Mr. Welch approached the Board about his concerns with the new ice cream business and his opinions about safety and the use of his parking lot. Supervisor Lanphere explained that the Town Board can not change the decisions of the Planning Board and that he would need to bring this up with them. Councilman Carroll noted the caveat of re-visiting issues such as this.

Highway Building Repairs – Superintendent Buckley submitted two quotes from Day Enterprises for repairs needed on the salt and tire buildings.

On motion by Councilman Presley, seconded by Councilwoman Yahn and carried, all voting aye to approve the repairs to be completed by Day Enterprises.

Letter from Mr. and Mrs. Moretti – The Board discussed a letter submitted by Mr. and Mrs. Moretti regarding the Town taking a no fracking position. Supervisor Lanphere said the Town should refrain from any involvement in a matter which the State will ultimately make the decision. Councilwoman Yahn said the State has staffed experts to make these decisions.

On motion by Councilman Martuscello, seconded by Councilwoman Yahn and carried, all voting Aye not to take action on this request at this time.

Filing cabinet request – Terry DeBuck submitted a request for three fire proof filing cabinets. Councilman Carroll suggested they wait for the Steuben County Surplus Auction in September and look for used cabinets. The Board unanimously agreed to wait.

Request for Mooring – Mr. Kingham submitted a request to moor his sail boat at the head of the lake near where the Curtiss Park will be. After discussion the Board decided that until there is a long term plan for the waterfront they could not approve this request.

On motion by Councilwoman Yahn, seconded by Councilman Presley and carried, all voting Aye not to approve Mr. Kingham’s request.

On motion by Councilman Carroll, seconded by Councilman Martuscello and carried, all voting Aye to approve July 2010 Supervisor’s Reports.

On motion by Councilman Carroll, seconded by Councilwoman Yahn and carried, to approve the August 2010 Abstracts, all voting as follows:

Town Supervisor Lanphere	Aye
Councilman Carroll	Aye
Councilman Martuscello	Nay
Councilman Presley	Nay
Councilwoman Yahn	Aye

Other

Councilman Presley asked about a report from Hunt Engineer’s regarding water district #3. Supervisor Lanphere said he gave the report to Jean O’Connell for grant purposes.

Accounting Transfers:

Debit:	A1990.400 Contingent Account -	\$ 7,499.99
Credit:	A1440.400 Engineer Contractual	\$ 4,999.99
	A1620.470 Renovations & Repairs	\$ 2,500.00
Debit:	A1620.450 Computer Hardware	\$ 2,000.00
Credit:	A1620.480 Computer Program/Fees	\$ 2,000.00

Website - There was further discussion about the website and Councilman Carroll suggested Supervisor Lanphere set some parameters or guidelines for Empire Graphics to follow. It was decided that any updates will need to be on the website by close of business on the Friday prior to the Regular scheduled Board Meeting.

Lance Locey – spoke to the Board concerning some boat launch area problems and offered suggestions to correct them. Mr. Locey also commented on the Keuka Maid and recommended the Town use the rent money received from Robert Pfuntner for legal fees in the eviction process.

With no further business, on a motion of Councilman Presley, seconded by Councilman Martuscello, the meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary M. Farmer
Town Clerk