

**TOWN OF URBANA
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
August 20, 2013**

The Urbana Town Board held its Regular Meeting Tuesday, August 20, 2013 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
 David Buckley Highway Superintendent

ABSENT: Christine Kolo Councilwoman

OTHERS PRESENT: Anne C. Green, Candace Hosier, Maryann E. Geisz, Carol A. Malone, John S. Hosier, Samuel Chalk, Dick Hamilton, Catherine Powell, Jack and Gail Merriam, Rick Drain, Edward P. Stull, Herman Heytmeijer, Mary Orman, Richard Orman, Lucille Knapp, Sue Sprague and Bub Robinson.

Supervisor Webster opened the meeting at 6:30 a.m. and immediately opened the **Public Hearing for the Fracking Moratorium**.

Richard Orman would like to see the lakes protected and urges the Town create codes and zoning to delineate zones around the lake which could be affected by hydraulic fracturing. Make specific zones off limits to protect them against hydraulic fracturing. Carol Malone agreed with Mr. Orman.

On motion by Councilman Presley, seconded by Councilman Jensen and carried, all voting Aye to close the Public Hearing.

Minutes

On motion by Councilman Presley, seconded by Councilman Chadwick and carried, all voting Aye to approve the Minutes of July 16, 2013.

On motion by Councilman Jensen, seconded by Councilman Presley and carried, all voting Aye to approve the Minutes of July 23, 2013.

On motion by Councilman Chadwick, seconded by Councilman Presley and carried, all voting Aye to approve the Minutes of August 1, 2013

Abstracts

On motion by Councilman Jensen, seconded by Councilman Presley and carried, all voting Aye to approve the August 2013 Abstracts.

Accounting Transfer

On motion by Councilman Jensen, seconded by Councilman Chadwick and carried, all voting Aye to approve the following transfer:

Debit:	A77140.400	HCS	\$2,795.11
Credit:	A7140.130	Personal Svcs. – Summer Rec Staff	\$2,795.11
Debit:	DB5110.410	General Repairs – Major	\$11,961.31
Credit	DB5112.200	Capital Outlay – CHIPS	\$11,961.31

Old Business

DA Fund

It has been three weeks since Supervisor Webster asked the State Comptroller’s Office specific questions regarding the DA Fund. As of today Mr. Webster has not heard back from them.

On motion by Councilman Chadwick, seconded by Councilman Presley and carried, all voting Aye to table the topic of the DA Fund indefinitely which means it will not take effect for the 2014 budget.

Pier Inspection

Supervisor Webster has tried to get two additional engineering firms to give him quotes but no one is interested in the project. Mr. Webster wants to move forward with the quote from Hunt Engineers of \$5,000.

On motion by Councilman Chadwick, seconded by Councilman Jensen and carried, all voting Aye to hire Hunt Engineer’s for \$5,000. The engineer’s will complete an analysis of what needs to be done to repair or replace the pier at Champlin Beach

New Business

Parks Committee Report

The questions below were given to the Board members to review and answer at the September meeting.

Urbana Parks Committee... 8/14/13 Town Hall @ 6pm

1. *TEP project/grant update Chuck Peacock, SCIDA*
Chuck Peacock of SCIDA explained that the cost estimates came in much higher than expected (@ 1.5 million) and that SCIDA decided to reduce the TEP application to the trail from Cold Brook to the Curtiss Museum, The project consists of board walk and stone dust trail and is estimated to cost @\$380,000 with @80,000 match that would be covered by County's rail clearing work. The application is to be submitted Friday 8/16 with winners announced Dec 13th.
2. *Note: we have a Map showing the planned trail system.*
3. *Update on Curtiss drainage/gradingTom Chadwick*
Stones for this project were obtained from the HCS roof project at no cost.
4. *Update on potential Town-School property exchange to facilitate bridge & trails....*
No date set for joint meeting yet.
5. *Continue our discussion on a policy for town regarding requests to use park facilities.*

The committee recommends we start with a general parks policy before we work on park use policy detail. We submit the following for Board review before continuing:

General policy: Urbana park facilities are provided for the use and enjoyment of Urbana residents, guests, and visitors. The Town desires to keep the park facilities open and available to the public as much as possible. The town also desires to ensure park uses and users do not negatively impact the general public’s access to or enjoyment of park facilities. The specific standards established in this policy are intended to help accomplish this general policy.

The committee has questions for the Board to give us some direction for the parks use policy:

1. Do you agree with the "General Parks Policy" as stated? (if not please explain)
 2. Shall we assume same insurance requirements for park use?
 3. Shall we consider including moderate fees?
 4. Shall we restrict exclusive uses to private, non-profit, non-commercial uses?
 5. Shall we restrict non-exclusive uses to private, non-profit, non-commercial uses?
 6. Shall we give preference to residents? (such as in fees or preference for approval)
 7. Does the Board feel the policy should restrict number of uses per week? ...Per month?Per applicant? Per year?
6. Other
- Dave Oliver will investigate fundraising alternatives.
 - Tom will try to speak with Mr. Wambold @ ROW for trail
 - We wish to ask Mr. Ryan whether the Town may solicit donations for the parks & trails.

Park Use Application – Storytelling Festival

On motion by Councilman Jensen, seconded by Councilman Chadwick and carried, all voting Aye to approve the Exclusive Use of the grass area at Depot Park on September 20th from 5-9pm and September 21st from 9am-6pm. The boat launch and board walk will remain open.

Park Use Application – Heather Personius and Ian Ellis

On motion by Councilman Presley, seconded by Councilman Chadwick and carried, all voting Aye to approve the Non-Exclusive Use of Depot Park for their wedding.

Dog Seizure

On motion by Councilman Chadwick, seconded by Councilman Jensen and carried, all voting Aye to enforce the current Town Dog Law. If someone does not license their dog they will be issued an appearance ticket to appear in court. If they do not appear in court, the Dog Control Officers will be accompanied by a police officer to seize the dog.

Waterfront Study Match Money

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50% Match Commitment for the ARC Grant

On motion by Councilman Presley, seconded by Councilman Chadwick and carried, all voting Aye to approve spending up to \$35,000.00 to match funds awarded through the Appalachian Regional Commission Grant. The grant application will be to request funding for a Study and Plan for the Keuka Lake Waterfront.

Supervisor Webster	Aye
Councilman Presley	Aye
Councilman Chadwick	Aye
Councilman Jensen	Aye

Mary M. Farmer, Town Clerk

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Other

Highway Barn Electricity

Superintendent Buckley said there is nothing new to report on the electricity for the new

highway barn.

On motion by Councilman Presley, seconded by Councilman Chadwick and carried, all voting Aye to authorize Mr. Buckley, Mr. Chadwick and Mr. Presley to make the necessary steps to move forward with the electric.

Water District #2 Update

The EPA required Request for Qualifications allowing two weeks to receive. Supervisor Webster will create a form for evaluating the RFQ's and he, Mr. Chadwick and Mr. Presley will evaluate the RFQ's and that will determine the engineering firm that we will hire.

Public Input

DA Fund Comments

Richard Orman hopes that before the Board moves forward again with a DA Fund that they would offer a public meeting to replace the one that was cancelled.

Sandy Hosier supports Mr. Orman's suggestions and said he doesn't understand the rationale since residents outside the village do not pay towards village road maintenance.

Sue Sprague wants Supervisor Webster to commit to a public hearing. Supervisor Webster said there will be a public hearing if it comes up again.

With no further business, on a motion by Councilman Presley, seconded by Councilman Chadwick, the meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m. Carried unanimously by all present.

Respectfully submitted,

Antibodies

Mary M. Farmer
Town Clerk