

**TOWN OF URBANA
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
November 20, 2012**

The Urbana Town Board held its Regular Meeting Tuesday, November 20, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Hall, 8014 Pleasant Valley Road, Bath, New York.

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Bub Robinson, Katrina Remaily, Gary Vogt, Sydney Farmer, Don Patoine, Anne Green, and Traff Doherty.

Supervisor Webster opened the meeting at 6:32 pm.

Minutes

On motion by Councilman Jensen, seconded by Councilman Presley and carried, all voting Aye to approve the Minutes of October 16, 2012.

On motion by Councilwoman Kolo, seconded by Councilman Chadwick and carried, all voting Aye to approve the Minutes of October 25, 2012.

On motion by Councilman Presley, seconded by Councilwoman Kolo and carried, all voting Aye to approve the Minutes of October 31, 2012.

Abstracts

On motion by Councilman Presley, seconded by Councilman Jensen and carried, all voting Aye to approve the November 2012 Abstracts.

Accounting Transfers

On motion by Councilman Chadwick, seconded by Councilwoman Kolo and carried, all voting Aye to approve the following accounting transfers:

Debit:	A1990.400	Contingent Account	\$2,000.00
Credit:	A1620.450	Computer Hardware	\$2,000.00
Debit:	A1220.400	Supervisor Contractual	\$ 900.00
Credit:	A1620.470	Renovations & Repairs	\$ 900.00
Debit:	A1110.400	Justice Contractual	\$ 950.00
	A1440.400	Engineer Contractual	1,200.00
Credit:	A1620.480	Computer Fees/Programs	\$2,150.00
Debit:	B1990.400	Contingent Account	\$ 200.00
Credit:	B8010.100	Zoning-Secretary	\$ 200.00

Old Business

Fields Construction/Keuka Maid

Jeremy Fields gave the Board an update on the boat and its impending inspection. Mr. Fields said that State representatives did a preliminary inspection and determined the boat could possibly be put back in service. Mr. Fields is requesting additional time, until January 31, 2013, for a complete inspection of the hull. Mr. Fields said he would attend both December meetings and would bring back a final schedule and timeline. He would then come to the first January meeting with a date of the inspection. After some discussion by the Board, Attorney Ryan said he could create an amendment to the current license agreeing to the extension. The amendment will also include payments of \$500.00 per month due on December 1, 2012 and January 1, 2013.

On motion by Councilman Presley, seconded by Councilwoman Kolo and carried, all voting Aye to authorize Supervisor Webster to sign the amended license with Fields Construction.

New Business

Water Line to Curtiss Museum

Councilman Presley and Councilman Jensen attended a meeting with representatives from the Museum, Village, and NYS Department of Health regarding water concerns at the Curtiss Museum. It was determined at the meeting that the resolution would be to handle the matter similar to the way lines were run to the Fire House. The Museum will pay for the equipment needed and the Town and Village road crews would lay the lines.

On motion by Councilman Chadwick, seconded by Councilwoman Kolo and carried, all voting Aye to support the project of running water lines to the Curtiss Museum.

Moratorium Public Hearing

On motion by Councilman Jensen, seconded by Councilman Presley and carried, all voting Aye to schedule a Public Hearing on December 4, 2012 for the purpose of a Moratorium on fracking.

Union Contract

On motion by Councilwoman Kolo, seconded by Councilman Jensen and carried, all voting Aye to accept the Union Contract.

December 27, 2012 Meeting

Meeting will be left at 9:00 am.

Boat Launch Agreement

The Board discussed ongoing problems at the launch area especially commercial use and liability concerns. Attorney Ryan will look into any liability issues. Supervisor Webster would like the matter taken to the Parks Advisory Committee for their opinion. This will stay on the agenda.

Reorganization Meeting

On motion by Councilman Presley, seconded by Councilman Chadwick and carried, all voting Aye to move the Reorganizational Meeting from January 8, 2013 to January 2, 2013.

Conference Attendance Approval

On motion by Councilwoman Kolo, seconded by Councilman Jensen and carried, all voting Aye to approve conference attendance for Dave Oliver – Assessor's Conference

Mary Farmer – District Director's meeting and training

Memorial Fund

Supervisor Webster suggested a Memorial Fund be established by the staff for when cards or flowers need to be sent. He suggested \$10.00 each. The Board unanimously agreed.

Urbana Park Advisory Committee Report

Parks advisory Committee ... Nov. 2012

The committee met 11/14. The group reviewed the Oct regular meeting and tour of the park property. Folks who weren't able to participate in the parks tour were asked to do soon their own. Information was distributed regarding a committee in Penn Yan doing similar work. Mary offered to be a distribution point so that we could share information between meetings. Members were asked to forward information to Mary and she would forward it (primarily by email) to the others.

The group was appraised of the discussions with Fields Construction (RE: Keuka Maid) at the Boards Oct. meeting. The group was also appraised that DEC permit applications are being completed that would allow for some grading and drainage work at Curtiss Park.

The members decided to individually research any or all the following general areas for discussion next month: Trail layout and construction options; pedestrian bridge options; potential Town dock uses; various other park improvements (ie: playgrounds, parking lots, rest rooms, landscaping); design assistance (architects college project, etc); financial assistance options (including researching of a 501c3 status).

After discussions the committee decided to communicate a request and a recommendation to the Town Board:

Request:

One area that members want to work on is the conversion of the "old Town barn property"(Liberty & Mill) to a parking lot for both Depot and Curtiss parks. The Town Board has committed to this conversion, but it is unclear when the building shall be raised. The committee asks that a time-table for the building's demolition be established. The committee would then prepare a recommendation for constructing a landscaped parking lot at this location in advance of this date.

Recommendation:

While it is premature to make specific recommendations regarding the Town Dock at Champlin, the committee would like to communicate a general recommendation, based in part on past experience here. We suggest the Town Board think in terms of multiple uses and tenants for the dock rather than granting exclusive use to any one person, business, or organization. We suggest that one of the uses continue to be public access. And we suggest that the Board factor in the cost to repair and maintain the dock as they determine appropriate fees.

John Jensen, Chair
Urbana Parks Advisory Committee

Other

Councilman Presley had a request from the Chamber asking if the public restrooms could stay open longer in the fall and open earlier in the spring.

Public Input

No public input.

With no further business, on a motion by Councilman Presley, seconded by Councilwoman Kolo, the meeting was adjourned at 7:58p.m. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Farmer
Town Clerk