

**TOWN OF URBANA
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
December 4, 2012**

The Urbana Town Board held its Regular Meeting Tuesday, December 4, 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: Lance Locey, Gary Vogt, Carly Presley, Tim Slayton, and Dave Buckley

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

There were no comments. At 6:32 pm on motion by Councilman Chadwick, seconded by Councilman Presley and carried, all voting Aye to close the Moratorium Public Hearing.

Minutes

On motion by Councilwoman Kolo, seconded by Councilman Jensen and carried, all voting Aye to approve the Minutes of November 20, 2012.

Abstracts

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

Accounting Transfers

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

Debit:	A1220.400	Supervisor Contractual	\$500.00
Credit:	A1620.470	Renovations & Repair	\$500.00
Debit:	DB5110.100	Personal Services, April - October	\$1,317.00
Credit:	DB9010.800	NYS Retirement	\$1,317.00

New Business

Fire Commissioner Appointment

On motion by Councilwoman Kolo, seconded by Councilman Jensen and carried, all voting Aye to appoint Mike Day as Fire Commissioner for a five-year term. The term will run from January 1, 2013 – December 31, 2017.

Dog Shelter

The topic has been moved to the December 27th meeting. Attorney Ryan has some questions regarding the Ag & Market law and liability coverage.

Boat Launch Dredging

The Town received a permit from the DEC which expires December 31, 2012. Highway Superintendent, Dave Buckley presented a quote from Knight Settlement for \$3,250.00 to dredge the launch site. The highway staff will remove it to drain and use on the roads.

On motion by Councilwoman Kolo, seconded by Councilman Jensen and carried, all voting Aye to authorize Superintendent Buckley to contract with Knight Settlement for dredging.

Highway Storage Barn

Tim Slayton, Deputy Superintendent and Dave Buckley, Highway Superintendent handed out information from Charlie Fink on a proposed barn. The barn would range in price from approximately \$109,000 - \$115,000. Superintendent Buckley will schedule a meeting with Charlie Fink and the Highway Committee to fine tune the proposal before the December 27th Board meeting. He will come back to the Board on the 27th.

Highway Equipment Purchase

Deputy Superintendent Slayton talked to the Board about purchasing two trucks from Rathbone. The trucks are both fully equipped 2005 models with approximately 70,000 miles for \$41,000 each. Mr. Slayton added that each truck will require less than \$9,000 in maintenance and repair. Attorney Ryan will speak to the Rathbone Supervisor regarding a detailed agreement.

On motion by Councilman Chadwick, seconded by Councilwoman Kolo and carried, all voting Aye to purchase two 2005 10 wheel trucks from the Town of Rathbone for \$41,000 out of the Highway Capital Reserve and further authorizes \$9,000 for each truck to be taken out of the Equipment Line in the 2012 Budget. The purchase will be subject to the approval and signed agreement by both Urbana and Rathbone.

Wheel Loader Bids

The Board and Highway representatives discussed the specifications of a new loader needed and how they want to trade-in the Town's 2004 John Deere Wheel Loader.

On motion by Councilman Presley, seconded by Councilman Chadwick and carried, all voting Aye to request Bid Proposals for a new 2013 3.5 CY Wheel Loader less the trade-in allowance for the 2004 John Deere Loader. All Bids will be opened on January 2, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.

Supervisor Webster requested an internet search to establish the current price for similar trucks.

Electric Supplier

Supervisor Webster talked to the Board about different

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