

*TOWN OF SARANAC
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
APRIL 23, 2007, 7:00 PM @ TOWN HALL*

Members Present:

*Joe Gerardi (Supervisor)
Gary Tedford (Councilman)
Phil Rice (Councilman)
Robert Blair (Councilman)
Michael Tedford (Councilman)
Mary Bell (Town Clerk)
Leo Bell (Deputy Town Clerk)
Steve Petrashune (Assessor)
Eugene Dickerman (Code Officer)
Cindy Waldron (JCEO)
Mark Plumadore (Dog Control Officer)
Lee Vann (Highway Superintendent)
Ken Carter (Pool Manager)*

Also attending meeting- Harold Ryan, Todd Perry, Linda Coryer, Marla S. Perry, Michele Petrashune, Don Uhler, Hunt True, Jan Gosselin, Rich Plumadore, Joe Donnery, Marcia Rice, and Robert Butler.

Supervisor- Joe Gerardi opened meeting at 7:00 pm. Councilman, Michael Tedford led the Town Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Resolution 30-2007

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *March 26th, 2007 regular Board meeting
Motion to except minutes-resolved by: Gary Tedford (C) second by: Mike Tedford
GARY-YES
PHIL-YES
BOB-YES
MIKE-YES
JOE-YES*

Questions, Comments, Petitions from the Floor:

The Saranac Fire Department- Commissioner's & Fire Chief came to the meeting tonight to discuss & educate the Town Council and residents information on the Proposed Class "A" Fire Pumper with C.A.F.S.

Don Uhler (Fire Chief) started the presentation with introduction of the Fire Truck the department is purchasing.

The last new fire truck purchased was in 1992. The purchase price was \$225,000.00 the amount financed was \$195,000.00 at 6% interest rate.

The amount to be financed for the new Fire Truck is \$ 198,000.00 at 4% rate.

The total ban for the new Fire truck would be for the amount of 198,000.00 with a payment of 39,600.00 plus interest for five years.

There are two bans that are being paid off in 2007 and 2008 they are....

- 1. Tanker \$21,000 plus interest*
- 2. Heavy Rescue \$ 16,000 plus interest*

The current bans will be paid off prior to the first payment being due.

Over the years since 1994 the average increase per year between 1994 and 2004 ran approx. a flat 4% per year.

On May 15th, 2007 at the Saranac Fire Station and Redford Fire Station , from 6 pm – 9 pm voting will be on the financing of the new Fire Truck.

Any questions or concerns please call: Saranac Fire Chief (Don Uhler)

Correspondence:

Kathy Regan, APA

The Town received a letter regarding permits that involve wetlands and shorelines (both rivers & lakes) each landowner will be sent a letter from the APA concerning an Environmental Protection Agency grant to enhance its wetlands programs.

Burning Barrel letter:

The Supervisor received a letter regarding one of our town's residents wanting to let the Council know that their burning barrel problem with the neighbor has stopped.

Angelo and Barbara Brienza:

The Town Board received a letter from the Brienza's responding about the iron Bridge on the Soper road. They too, would like to see the Bridge retained.

Supervisor's Report:

Resolution 31-2007

APPROVAL of Financial Report: Motion by: Phil Rice(C) second by: Gary Tedford

(C)

GARY-YES

PHIL-YES

BOB-YES

MIKE-YES

JOE-YES

Snow & Ice removal Check, final installment: The amount of \$37,082.34

SAVING ACCOUNT BALANCES

	<u>As of 3-31-07</u>	<u>As of 4-18-07</u>
<u>General</u>	<u>\$ 366,771.23</u>	<u>\$ 369,504.34</u>
<u>Saranac Ltg.</u>	<u>52,415.57</u>	<u>52,415.57</u>
<u>Standish Ltg.</u>	<u>6,785.91</u>	<u>6,785.91</u>
<u>General/Res.</u>	<u>186,553.32</u>	<u>186,553.32</u>
<u>Building Fund</u>	<u>96,386.57</u>	<u>96,386.57</u>
<u>Highway</u>	<u>749,951.26</u>	<u>775,249.76</u>
<u>Road/Bridges</u>	<u>74,510.96</u>	<u>74,510.96</u>
<u>Redford Water</u>	<u>72,845.86</u>	<u>73,894.96</u>
<u>Standish Water</u>	<u>10,565.96</u>	<u>10,990.16</u>
<u>Saranac Water</u>	<u>16,586.90</u>	<u>16,823.90</u>
<u>Expenditures in March</u>		<u>\$157,223.06</u>

Revenues in March 44,079.60

WATER TAX COLLECTION REPORT:

	<u>To Collect</u>	<u>Collected to Date</u>	<u>Left to Collect</u>
<u>Redford Water</u>	<u>\$ 21,190.00</u>	<u>\$ 15,665</u>	<u>\$5,525</u>
<u>Standish Water</u>	<u>\$ 11,340.00</u>	<u>\$ 7,350</u>	<u>\$3,990</u>
<u>Saranac Water</u>	<u>\$11,280.00</u>	<u>\$ 9,165</u>	<u>\$ 2,115</u>

Received Check from Clinton County Treasurer's Office:

In amount of \$ 28,221.69 The Town's portion of Mortgage tax distribution for period of October 1, 2006 – March 31, 2007

CD renewal **Resolution 32-2007**

- 3 months- 4.2 %
- 6 months 4.8 %
- 9 months 4.5 %
- 12 months 4.7 %

Motion to except the 6 Month CD in the amount of \$ 98,813.26 with the % rate of 4.80

Motion by: Phil Rice (C) second by: Gary Tedford (C)

- GARY-YES
- PHIL-YES
- BOB-YES
- MIKE-YES
- JOE-YES

Letter to McHugh re Rural Water funding:

Received a letter from Congressman John McHugh, who told us he supported, Rural Water FY08 funding request by adding his signature to the nationwide Dear Colleague Letters cosponsored by Congressman Pomeroy and Congressman Shimkus.

Highway Superintendent's report:

Lee Vann reports:

The Posted Road signs will be coming down no later than Monday April 30th, 2007.

The Highway Department will be doing clean up, picking up sand for the next 3-4 weeks.

Anyone requesting fill must fill out a form, which is at the Superintendents office. Lee asks for anyone to call the garage with questions.

Reports:

Water Districts:

Redford Water:

Bob Blair reports:

The Annual Water Quality Report has been distributed to customers.
Annual report is complete.

Standish Water:

Gary Tedford reports:

The Annual Water Quality Report has been distributed to customers.
Annual report is complete.

Saranac Water:

Michael Tedford reports:

The Annual Water Quality Report has been distributed to customers.
Glen Hamel is just waiting to take the Water Treatment Operator test.

Code Officer's report:

Eugene Dickerman reports: April - 2007

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Type of Con.</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Fee</u>
3/26/07	R. Lapoint	4198 Rt. #3	Rehab	\$15,000	\$25.00
3/29/07	J. Reed	4324 Rt.#3	Fix- House	\$ 8,000	\$88.00
4/03/07	M. Vann	River Rd.	Log home -Add	\$ 10,000	\$69.00
4/4/07	A. Baker	Hardscrabble Rd.	Garage	\$ 500.00	\$32.00
4/09/07	M. A. Wish	Rt. #3	Pool	\$-0-	\$ -0-
4/09/07	Bajjer	Standish Rd	Garage	\$12,000	\$ 43.00
4/09/07	D. Carter	Hardscrabble Rd.	Add/Garage	\$ 10,000	\$39.00
4/11/07	A. Brown	Chazy Lake Rd.	Addition	\$45,000	\$93.50

4/18/07 L. Rivers Burnt Hill Rd. Garage \$ 10,000 \$65.00

4/20/07 J. Boland Standish Rd. Camp \$ 10,000 \$ 53.00

TOTALS \$ 65,000 \$ 507.00

C/O 4/05/07- Rita Mitchell - 376 Nashville Rd.

4/09/07 Bajjer- Standish Rd.

04/09/07 Friends of the North Country- 960 Burnt Hill Road

Complaint from Tim Campbell- 93 Clinton Street in Redford (stove pipe and Creosote and pipe over property line. Against Mike Gilmour -97 Clinton Street.

Complaint from Mike Gilmour about Tim Campbell's unregistered vehicles.

Dog Control Officer's reports:

The report is attached to these minutes.

Community Outreach Center:

Cindy Waldron reports:

Monthly report:

3-26-07- 4-23-07

109 # Visits to Center for all services on including clothes, toys, household items.

13 # of trips coordinated to medical appointments.

12 # households received Emergency Food.

24 # monthly Food Co-op purchased.

36 # Volunteer hours were given to the Center.

10 # Information & referral

6 # Heap applications.

The 2006-2007 HEAP season will be closing on May 15, 2007.

Recreation:

Bob Blair reports:

Nothing at this time.

Discussion on personal.

Joe Gerardi (Supervisor) request to enter into an executive session - motion by: Gary Tedford (C) second by Phil Rice (C)

GARY-YES

PHIL-YES

BOB-YES

MIKE-YES

JOE-YES

Assessor:

Steve Petrashune reports:

The assessments are complete.

Grievance Day is May 22, 2007 from 5-9 pm.

Planning Board:

Nothing at this time.

Senior Citizens:

Phil Rice reports:

Phil was invited to their monthly meeting, but he was on vacation and couldn't attend the meeting.

Saranac Fire Department:

The Fire Department spoke to the Town Council at the beginning of the meeting. Saranac Fire Chief - Don Uhler spoke to the Town about the purchase of the New Fire truck the department is looking to purchase.

Building:

Bob Blair reports:

Look into purchasing a truck for Glen.

Pumping the water lines out at the pool.

Newsletter, Website, Saranac Central School:

Joe Gerardi reports:

The Supervisor has received positive comments on the Towns Crier, Thanks goes out to Mrs. Ryan.

The Website is under construction.

Historian:

Jan Couture reports:

Wasn't at meeting.

Attorney:

Frank Zappala reports:

Wasn't at meeting.

Unfinished Business:

Justice Waldron, CC Solid Waste Law, update:

There is a Local Law from the County which states- littering issues- when a hauler is utilized to transport solid waste to the landfill, both the waste generator and the hauler will share responsibility for the solid waste until the solid waste properly deposited at an approved landfill facility. All vehicles used to collect, haul, or transport solid waste, and the loads therein, shall be subject to periodic inspection by superintendent.

Any violation of this Local Law there is a fine of not less than \$200.00 and no more than \$10,000.00 and or term of imprisonment of not more than Thirty (30) days. In addition, up to forty (40) hours of community service may be imposed.

Church Street property, set date for public hearing:

There will be a Public Hearing on May 21, 2007 at 6:50 p.m. for the purpose pursuant to section 205 of the Town Highway Law to discuss a section of land in Redford 165' x 66' between tax map parcels 251.3-1-3 and 251.3-1-41. Also to discuss Local Law 3-2007 Flooding Damage Prevention.

New Business:

Inconvenient Truth donation:

The Town received a DVD from Pastor Pamela Pearson on climate change anyone wanting to borrow the DVD may come into the Town Hall and sign out the video.

FEMA- flood plain action needed by Sept. 28, 2007:

There will be a Public Hearing on May 21, 2007 at 6:50 p.m. to discuss a Local Law, Section 206 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) and the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968.

Questions, Comments, Petitions from the Floor:

Historical Markers –Cindy Waldron brought in one of the signs to show the Council what the signs will look like. Special Thanks goes out to the volunteers that have been restoring the markers.

Pay Audit Warrants: Resolution 33-2007

AUTHORIZATION to PAY WARRANTS:

Resolved to pay Warrants by: Bob Blair (C) second by Gary Tedford (C)

GARY-YES

PHIL-YES

BOB-YES

MIKE-YES

JOE-YES

Meeting was adjourned at 8:13 pm

Public Hearing is scheduled for 6:50 p.m. May 21st, 2007 at the Saranac Town Hall.

Next regular Board meeting will be May 21, 2007, at 7 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Bell

Town Clerk