

## JUNE 9, 2009

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Greenwich, Washington County, New York was held at the Town Office Building, 2 Academy Street, Greenwich, New York on Tuesday, June 9, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:	Donald Wilbur	Supervisor
	Bob Jeffords	Councilman
	Steven Patrick	Councilman
	George Perkins	Councilman
	Eric Whitehouse	Councilman

Others Present: Elaine Kelly, Kellie Blake, Rick Sullivan, Stanley Mattison, Tim Tefft - The Journal Press, Dan O'Connor, Marilyn Boyd and Fire Chief Dean Watkins.

Supervisor Wilbur led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and the Clerk called the roll.

RESOLUTION NO. 58-09  
Budget Amendment 6/09/09

Resolution by Councilman Whitehouse  
Seconded by Councilman Jeffords

and passed unanimously by said Board,

RESOLVED, that the following budget amendment be approved: Increase appropriations in H38160.202 by \$1435.20 from Capital Fund Landfill for landfill monitoring test.

RESOLUTION NO. 59-09  
Payt. of Bills 6/09/09

Resolution by Councilman Jeffords  
Seconded by Councilman Whitehouse

and passed unanimously by said Board

RESOLVED, that the following bills on Abstract #9006 be approved and audited and the Supervisor be authorized to pay said bills from their respective funds:

<u>FUND</u>	<u>BILL #</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
General Town-wide (A) Pre-pay:	0160	\$ 528.83
General Town-wide (A):	0161-0198	\$ 5,969.56
General Outside Village (B):	0199-0201	\$ 153.30
Special District Lighting (SL):	0202	\$ 668.80
Capital Fund Landfill Closure :	3003	\$ 1,435.20
Highway Town-wide (DA) Pre-pay:	5070	\$ 20.49
Highway Town-wide (DA):	5071-5074	\$ 3,226.20
Highway Outside Village (DB):	5075-5082	\$ 1,755.90

RESOLUTION NO. 60-09  
App. of Minutes 5/12/09

Resolution by Councilman Jeffords  
Seconded by Councilman Perkins

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and passed unanimously by said Board,

RESOLVED, that the minutes of May 12, 2009 be approved and accepted as submitted.

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

1) The Town Board received an invitation to participate in the Whipple City Festival parade on Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM. Lineup is at 5:30 at the K Mart parking lot. This year's theme is "Village of Greenwich Bicentennial". Two of the Board members will march and possible three.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

1) Marilyn Boyd stated that she would like the set up of the board room changed. She doesn't like the way the Board is seated around the table. She also asked why reports aren't made available to the public. Supervisor Wilbur said that any report is available to the public; they just need to ask for it. This avoids the cost of unnecessary printing.

### **REPORTS:**

1) Greenwich Fire Department Report: An activity report for May was received from the Greenwich Fire Department. Chief Dean Watkins stated that the mandated safety vests for all firefighters working on State highways have been purchased. The fire department received an \$8,000 donation from the Spiritual Life Center for the purchase of water rescue equipment. A sea-doo with trailer and six full sets of dry suits, gloves, boots and helmets were purchased. The equipment will be used for cross training with the daytime Automatic Mutual Aid (AMA) departments so that members can assist in water rescue. The fire department is also looking for a location in the Town, above the H & V mill in Center Falls, that would be a suitable access point to the river. The Village of Greenwich has hired the firm of Butler, Roland and Mays to draft the architectural plans for the new firehouse.

Chief Watkins wished to clarify the purchase of the Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) for the Little League field. The purchase was made with Village and Town funds but in turn, the department has taken two other items out of their budget. Councilman Perkins thanked the fire department for the AED. Chief Watkins stated that if the Town wished to purchase any that he would assist in getting the best price.

2) Planning Board Report: Board members received the minutes of the Planning Board meetings that were held on May 14 & 21, 2009 as well as the minutes of the ZBA meeting that was held on May 19, 2009.

3) Assessor Report: Councilman Jeffords stated that he had received two phone calls from Board of Assessment Review Members complimenting Assessor Clerk Amanda Willetts on the great job she did during the grievance day hearings this year. The availability of information and data that Amanda provided was a considerable help.

4) Code Enforcement Report: Code Enforcement Officer Dan O'Connor's report stated that two building permits had been issued during the month of May. Dan responded to another formal complaint at the Burch residence but found no activity. Currently Dan is addressing the hot dog vendor located at Thruway Beverage. He has asked the vendor to cease and desist his operations until the proper permits have been obtained. The vendor said he will not stop therefore Dan will contact Attorney Alan Wrigley to generate a letter in this regard.

5) Highway Report: Highway Superintendent Rick Sullivan gave the following report:

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- 620 gallons diesel fuel used during May.
- Putting up winter sand; 75% complete at highway garage then will move to Irwin Road; mixing salt in with sand.
- First round of roadside mowing is half done. Once finished it will be time to start round two.
- Storm cleanup – hired three part-time employees; 50% done; 2-3 weeks to complete.
- Need to replace chainsaw that burned up.
- Grader is in shop again with a leak. Part of the repairs will be covered under the warranty.

Lawn Mower Purchase vs. Lawn Care: Excerpt from May meeting - *Would like to purchase a new lawn mower for mowing the lawn at the garage. The current one is old and was repaired last year and Rick doesn't want to invest any more money in it. Three quotes were presented:*

Sears	Craftsman	42"	21 Hp	1299.99
Lowes	John Deere	42"	19 ½ Hp	1849.00
Home Depot	John Deere	42"	21 Hp	1899.00

*It was decided to contact Empire Lawn Service for a quote to see what their price would be as they already mow other Town property.*

The quote from Empire Lawn Care came in at \$80 per mowing and estimated at \$1280 per year. It was decided to buy a mower.

RESOLUTION NO. 61-09  
Highway – Lawn Mower

Resolution by Councilman Jeffords  
Seconded by Councilman Wilbur

and passed unanimously by said Board,

RESOLVED, that the Board approves the purchase of a Sears Craftsman 42" – 21 hp. riding mower at a cost of \$1299.99.

- G-0 Ford 350 frequently needs repair and is in bad shape. Would like to replace it but still keep it for the Working Foreman to drive. Spec sheet from Carmody Ford for a 2009 F350 without a plow is \$31,586.99. Will need three quotes.
- Ready to pave McDougal Lake and Mahaffy Roads.
- Waiting for Kenny Luskin from Peckham to price out an additional mile of paving on Spraguetown Road. Rick would like Highway Committee to ride with him and evaluate Spraguetown Road as Luskin had previously told him that we may want to pave the west end first as it is worse than the east end.
- Agreement to Spend Highway Funds Part 2 will be addressed at the July meeting.
- Highway garage needs to be insulated and two roof leaks need to be taken care of. Insulating the garage doors will be \$1100 and the materials for inside will be \$400.
- The highway employees will inspect the roof and if they feel that tar will fix the roof then they will do it.
- Rick will get quotes on the door repair and a permissive referendum will be needed.
- Marilyn Boyd stated that she feels that the roads are in the best condition they have been in 25 years.

Wood Stove Installation Quotes: At last month's meeting the Town Board authorized the purchase of an outdoor wood boiler from Fort Miller Company. A quote was received from Schultz Plumbing and

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Heating for the installation of the boiler however, three quotes are needed. Rick contacted four vendors but only two were interested in offering a quote and he was unable to get any others:

- Shultz Plumbing, Heating & Cooling: \$3800 (revised- initial quote was \$4200)
- Andrus Power Solutions: \$4600

RESOLUTION NO. 62-09  
Highway – Wood Stove Installation

Resolution by Councilman Perkins  
Seconded by Councilman Patrick

and passed unanimously by said Board,

RESOLVED, that the Board, based on the fact that Highway Superintendent Rick Sullivan after several attempts could only secure two quotes, approves the installation work of a wood boiler by Shultz Plumbing, Heating & Cooling at a cost of \$3800.

6) Supervisor Report: Supervisor Wilbur said that the County Board of Supervisors has finished their review of the 2008 & 2009 budgets and request forms for the 2010 budget will be going out soon. Many variables in the budget process. Solid Waste program will probably cost approximately \$1 million this year. Electric rates are down. Recycling rates are down...with the stimulus funds for the next couple years the Board is hoping to come out okay in the end. On the other hand a lot of good things will be happening in the next two years. The trash plant contract ends in two years and then it will probably be sold. The debt service on the County building will be ending. These are good things that should hopefully help balance out the bad things.

The County is trying to work out a way that all County jobs will become 35 hours per week. If this could be done then it may possibly save a million dollars. However, close to 60% of the employees are represented by a union and contracts would have to be renegotiated to adjust the hours. Not sure how successful they will be but will try. Highway employee contracts guarantee 40 hours a week. The goal is to keep as many people employed as possible without layoffs. Most people would rather lose five hours per week than lose their job. If everyone cooperates and feels the same way then some things may be able to change. The teamsters would like Canadian prescription drugs to be available but the County Attorney has advised against that as they have not been approved.

7) Youth Report: Councilman Patrick stated that everything is all set for the waterfront program.

- Interviews were held and positions have been filled.
- The new playground equipment has been installed.
- Wed. June 17<sup>th</sup> – CPR class and meeting for Morning Program employees.
- Sat. June 20<sup>th</sup> - The lifeguards will put out the ropes followed by the lifeguard meeting.
- Ken McPhail York-raked the beach; looks good.
- Fire Pit has been completed.
- Beach will open for the season on Sunday, June 21.
- Lessons and morning programs will begin on Monday, June 29.

Councilman Perkins addressed the need for an Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) at the beach. The Town has borrowed one from GCS to meet State requirements. If we can continue to borrow one over the years that would be good, if not, we will purchase one.

RESOLUTION NO. 63-09  
Youth Program Pay Schedule

Resolution by Councilman Patrick

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Seconded by Councilman Perkins  
and passed unanimously by said Board,

RESOLVED, that the Board approves the 2009 Youth Program Pay Schedule as follows:

### 2009 YOUTH PAY SCHEDULE

Beach Administrator:	\$ 2575.00	Morning Program Director	\$ 1700.00
Aquatics Director:	\$ 1700.00	Arts & Crafts Coordinator	\$ 1200.00
Swim Instructors:	\$ 7.75/ hr	Morning Program Instructors	\$ 7.15/hr

<u>Head Lifeguard</u>		<u>Ass't Head Lifeguard</u>		<u>Lifeguards</u>	
1 Year	\$ 9.00/hr	1 Year	\$ 8.25/hr	1 Year	\$ 7.75/hr
2 Years	\$ 9.25/hr	2 Years	\$ 8.75 /hr	2 Years	\$ 8.00/hr
3+Years	\$ 9.50/hr	3+Years	\$ 9.00/hr	3+Years	\$ 8.25/hr

Clerk to the Supervisor Kellie Blake listed the following appointments:

Beach Administrator (Camp Director) - Tanya Grimes  
Aquatics Director – Bridgett Barbur  
Head Lifeguard - Patrick Dore  
Assistant Head Lifeguard – Bridgett Barbur  
Lifeguard/Swim Instructors: Carole Dore, Sarah Rubenstein, Molly King and Cady Kuzmich  
Swim Instructor: Laura Collins  
Morning Program Director – Nicole Carner  
Arts & Crafts Director – Nicole Walker  
Arts & Crafts Counselors: Jillian Towne, Ali Stein, Mike Pryor, Joanna Herrick, Morgan Herbst and Meghan Dusha  
Substitute Counselors: Cassidy Hughes and Madeline Skellie

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

#### NEW BUSINESS:

1) GCS Bus Lease:

RESOLUTION NO. 64-09  
Youth Program - Bus Lease

Resolution by Councilman Whitehouse  
Seconded by Councilman Jeffords

and passed unanimously by said Board,

RESOLVED, that the Town of Greenwich enter into the Bus Lease Agreement with Greenwich Central School as presented for the period of July 1, 2009 thru June 30, 2010.

2) A request to use the Town Beach and facilities on Sunday, July 12, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM was received from Rulyn Graves of Centenary United Methodist Church. This would be a church social, bonfire and worship service. As the beach normally closes at 7:00 PM, the church will hire one of the Town's lifeguards from 7:00 to 8:00 PM and will provide the Town with a Certificate of Insurance naming the Town as an additional insured.

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RESOLUTION NO. 65-09  
Beach – Centenary Methodist Church

Resolution by Councilman Patrick  
Seconded by Councilman Perkins

and passed unanimously by said Board,

WHEREAS, Centenary United Methodist Church desires to hold a church social, bonfire and worship service on Sunday, July 12, 2009 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Greenwich Beach, and

WHEREAS, Centenary United Methodist Church will hire one of the Town's lifeguards to be on duty from 7:00 to 8:00PM, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that upon receipt of a Certificate of Insurance naming the Town of Greenwich as an additional insured in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000, Centenary United Methodist Church be granted permission to use the Town Beach and facilities on Sunday, July 12 from 6:00 PM to 8:00PM.

3) A letter was received from Hubbard Hall Projects requesting use of The Commons to perform its production of Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream* at 7 PM on Monday, July 27, 2009. HHP will provide the Town with a Certificate of Insurance naming the Town as an additional insured.

RESOLUTION NO. 66-09  
Hubbard Hall Projects

Resolution by Councilman Jeffords  
Seconded by Councilman Perkins

and passed unanimously by said Board,

RESOLVED, that upon receipt of a Certificate of Insurance naming the Town of Greenwich as an additional insured in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000, Hubbard Hall Projects be granted permission to use The Commons to perform its production of Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream* at 7 PM on Monday, July 27, 2009.

Motion by Councilman Perkins  
Seconded by Councilman Patrick

and passed unanimously by said Board,

that the meeting be adjourned at 8:43 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine A. Kelly, RMC, CMC  
Town Clerk