

**Town Board Meeting
September 20, 2012
6:00 p.m.**

Resolution #12-218

Executive Session: On a motion of Councilor Keyes, seconded by Councilor Greenfield and with unanimous (5-0) approval of the Town Board the meeting was adjourned to Executive Session at 6 p.m. to discuss contract negotiations with the SRCT.

Town Board returned to an open meeting at 7 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Roney, Councilor Greenfield, Councilor Murray, Councilor McGlynn, Councilor Keyes, Attorney Sardino.

Also Present: Gene LaForte, Jim Card, Jessica Soule (Skaneateles Journal), Jason Emerson (Skaneateles Press), Allan Wellington.

Department Reports:

▪**Highway:** Jim Card reported that the guard rails were installed on the Irish Road Bridge and black top had been added.

▪**Water and Transfer Station:** Jim Card reported on normal operations in both departments.

▪**Parks:** Gene LaForte reported that the last summer employee left to go back to college. He thanked Cal Winkelman for staying a little longer to help with the startup of ice at Austin Pavilion. The chiller was started on September 19th and once the temperature gets to 16 degrees ice will be started and will be in use by October 1st.

▪**Codes:** Supervisor Roney read the Codes report stating that the department has been busy with permit applications. Contractors are trying to get foundations in before the weather changes. An application for a new home on the corner of Rt. 321 and Jewett is being reviewed. Bob Congel has made application to demolish the two vacant houses on the former Sandy Beach property.

▪**Budget:** Supervisor Roney read the Budget report stating that the department was meeting two times a week with the Town Board and departments to prepare the 2013 tentative budget. Bridgett Winkelman is providing support on budget questions for departments. The State Insurance Fund is currently doing a workers comp audit. She is also working with Sensus on meter reading reports..

Resolution #12-219

Budget Amendments: Councilor Greenfield moved a resolution approving the following budget amendments:

General Fund

\$ 250.00	Increase	014604.01.004.00	Records Management – C/E
\$ 250.00	Decrease	019904.02.004.00	Contingency
Cost of Town project – Biel’s			

\$ 250.00	Increase	050104.01.004.00	Supt. Of Highway – C/E
\$ 250.00	Decrease	050102.01.002.00	Supt. Of Highway – Equip.
Cost of doing business			

Part Town Fund

\$ 200.00	Increase	016704.02.004.00	Central Print/Mail – C/E
\$ 200.00	Decrease	019904.02.004.00	Contingency
Cost of doing business			

\$ 5,000.00	Increase	090608.02.008.00	Med Ins.
\$ 5,000.00	Decrease	080201.02.001.00	Planning – P/S
Cost of benefits for Full time employee			

Highway Part Town

\$ 4,500.00	Increase	051122.04.002.00	Chips Improvement – C/E
\$ 4,500.00	Decrease	051104.04.004.00	General Repair – C/E
Additional expense on Chips Road			

Water Consolidated

\$ 1,300.00	Increase	083104.08.004.00	Water – Admin – C/E
\$ 7,400.00	Increase	083204.08.004.00	Source of Supply – C/E
\$ 8,700.00	Decrease	083102.08.002.00	Water Admin - Equip
Cost of Doing Business			

Seconded by Councilor Murray.

Councilor Keyes	Yes
Councilor McGlynn	Yes
Councilor Greenfield	Yes
Councilor Murray	Yes
Supervisor Roney	Yes

Carried 5-0

Resolution #12-220

Abstract #12-18: Councilor Keyes moved a resolution approving voucher #12-1534 to #12-1642 from the following funds:

General Fund	\$72,125.58	Part Town:	\$ 1,640.15
Highway	\$ 9,058.22	Highway P/T:	\$ 1,066.59
Water:	\$46,385.86	Sewer:	\$ 1,637.65
Sewer #6:	\$ 506.87	Limeledge:	\$ 473.60
Butters Farm Drain:	\$ 1,335.00	Western Gate:	\$ 12,553.59
T & A:	\$ 3,851.87		

Total: \$150,634.98

Seconded by Councilor McGlynn.

Councilor Keyes	Yes
Councilor McGlynn	Yes
Councilor Greenfield	Yes
Councilor Murray	Yes

Supervisor Roney

Yes

Carried 5-0

Unsafe Buildings Update:

▪*Albring*: Debbie Williams submitted a report that the Albring house on Heifer Road has been removed and the basement has been filled in and graded.

▪*Sheets*: Attorney Sardino reported that the transfer of ownership of the Sheets house on Jordan Road is on schedule to be completed by the end of September.

Resolution #12-221

Water Meter and New Service Fee Increases: Supervisor Roney said that Jim Card submitted his recommendations to increase the water meter and new service fees. The current fees do not cover the installation expenses.

Councilor Greenfield moved a resolution approving the following fees for water meter and new services to be effective immediately:

Meters

¾ inch x 5/8 inch meter with radio INSTALLED	\$300
¾ inch x 5/8 inch pit meter	\$350
1 inch meter with radio	\$400
1 inch pit meter	\$485

Service Connections

¾ inch short side	\$500 plus Meter
¾ inch long side or 1 inch short side	\$650 plus Meter
1 inch long side	\$800 plus Meter
Services for larger meters should be priced at the time of installation	

Meter Pits (when required)

5/8 inch x ¾ inch single meter pit	\$ 450
5/8 inch x ¾ inch double meter pit	\$ 685
1 inch single meter pit	\$ 595
1 inch double meter pit	\$1550

All new services over 150 feet in length will be required to have a meter pit installed on the road right-of way.

Seconded by Councilor McGlynn.

Councilor Keyes	Yes
Councilor McGlynn	Yes
Councilor Greenfield	Yes
Councilor Murray	Yes
Supervisor Roney	Yes

Carried 5-0

Resolution #12-222

Minutes: Councilor Murray moved a resolution accepting the minutes of September 6, 2012 as presented. Seconded by Councilor McGlynn.

Councilor Keyes	Yes
Councilor McGlynn	Yes
Councilor Greenfield	Yes
Councilor Murray	Yes
Supervisor Roney	Yes

Carried 5-0

Skaneateles Lake Association Request for Grant Support: Supervisor Roney said that the Skaneateles Lake Association submitted a request support from the Town for a grant from the Community Grants Program to support monitoring the boat launches to keep invasive species from entering Skaneateles Lake.

Councilor Murray said she spoke with Buzz Roberts today and he requested that this request be withdrawn because the grant was more for antipollution requests than environmental requests. Therefore, they would not be submitted a grant application.

No further action was taken.

Resolution #12-223

Chamber of Commerce Request – Tree Donations for Western Gateway: Supervisor Roney said that Councilor Keyes received a request from Pam Schoener, President of the Chamber of Commerce offering to coordinate the donation of trees for the Western Gateway program and to plan an event for Arbor Day in 2013 which is April 26th.

Councilor Keyes said he suggested that the Chamber coordinate this with Jim Card, if he would be willing to oversee it for the type of trees to preserve the line of sight. He said that trees would be donated in memory of someone and that plaques would also need to be installed. This may require a Local Law.

Supervisor Roney said that this should be coordinated with the Village as part of the project is in the Village and they should have input on the type of trees installed.

The Town Board agreed that this was a great idea. Councilor Keyes moved a resolution authorizing the tree donation project that will be coordinated through Pam Schoener, President of the Chamber of Commerce, with Jim Card and with the Village of Skaneateles. Seconded by Councilor Murray.

Councilor Keyes	Yes
Councilor McGlynn	Yes
Councilor Greenfield	Yes
Councilor Murray	Yes
Supervisor Roney	Yes

Carried 5-0

Resolution #12-224

Onondaga County Snow Removal Contract: Supervisor Roney reported that the Town Board was in receipt of a letter from the Office of the County Executive stating that the reimbursement

rate for plowing County roads would be \$6,335 as well as a contingency fund to provide towns additional funding that will increase reflective of the severity of the winter. This rate is the same as last year. Jim Card is comfortable with the reimbursement rate.

Councilor Greenfield moved a resolution authorizing Supervisor Roney to enter into the snow removal contract with Onondaga County for the 2012-201 season. Seconded by Councilor Murray.

Councilor Keyes	Yes
Councilor McGlynn	Yes
Councilor Greenfield	Yes
Councilor Murray	Yes
Supervisor Roney	Yes

Carried 5-0

Resolution #12-224

Ice Rates: Councilor Keyes moved a resolution to set the hourly ice rate for all contracted users at \$80.00 per hour. Seconded by Councilor Greenfield.

Councilor Keyes	Yes
Councilor McGlynn	Yes
Councilor Greenfield	Yes
Councilor Murray	Yes
Supervisor Roney	Yes

Carried 5-0

Announcements/Correspondence

▪**Hamlet Meeting:** Supervisor Roney reported that the Hamlet Meeting has been rescheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 16, 2012 at the Mottville Fire Department. The meeting have representatives from Astra Zeneca and NYSDEC to provide updates on that project.

▪**Town of Ulysses Amicus Brief:** Supervisor Roney reviewed the September 18, 2012 letter from Supervisor Marino from the Town of Ulysses thanking the Town of Skaneateles for becoming a signatory to the Amicus Brief they intend to file by October or November to preserve Municipal Home Rule and protect any municipality's legal right to decide for itself whether gas drilling is an appropriate land use for its citizens.

▪**Onondaga County Town Supervisors Meeting:** Supervisor Roney reported that she attended a meeting with Town Supervisors today and heard a presentation from FOCUS Greater Syracuse requesting input from all residents on how the Onondaga Lake lakeshore should be developed. More information on this is available at the Town Clerk's Office.

▪**NYSDOT Notice of Order:** Supervisor Roney reported that the Town was in receipt of the Order allowing new speed limit signs to be added to Visions Drive for 35 mph and 40 mph on Stump Road between Vinegar Hill Road and RT. 321.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Janet L. Aaron". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and "A".

Janet L. Aaron
Town Clerk