

## TOWN OF JAY REGULAR BOARD MEETING

AUGUST 8, 2013

COMMUNITY CENTER 7:00 P.M.

**PRESENT:** Supervisor Randy Douglas; Town Clerk Bea Pelkey; Councilman Archie Depo; Councilman Gerald Hall; Councilwoman Amy Shalton; and Councilman Thomas McDonald.

**ABSENT:** Chris Garrow: Attending Wake for Dubby Zaumetzer

**OTHERS:** Ray Losso; Fred Balzac; Rod Boula; Matt Nolan from Elizabethtown Community Hospital

**Supervisor Douglas called the meeting to order at 7:04 P.M.**

**PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:** Councilman Gerald Hall

### **APPROVAL OF BUDGET TRANSFERS:**

General Fund: \$17,926.64 Motion made by Councilman Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman McDonald to approve the transfers for General Fund in the amount of \$17,926.64. All in favor, none opposed, carried.

Res. # 080813-1

Highway \$18,859.30 Motion made by Councilman McDonald, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Hall to approve the transfers for the Highway in the amount of \$18,859.30. All in favor, none opposed, carried.

Res. #080813-2

W1- \$2,631.83 Motion made by Councilwoman Shalton 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Hall to approve the transfer of \$2,631.83 for W1. All in favor, none opposed, carried.

Res.#080813-3

W2- \$183.32- Motion made by Councilwoman Shalton, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman McDonald to approve the transfer for W2 in the amount of \$183.32. All in favor, none opposed, carried.

Res. #080813-4

W3- \$4,695.82- Motion made by Councilman Hall, seconded by Councilman McDonald to approve the transfer for W3 in the amount of \$4,695.82. All in favor, none opposed, carried.

Res. #080813-5

SS- \$1,307.99- Motion made by Councilman McDonald, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Hall to approve the transfer for SS in the amount of \$1,307.99. All in favor, none opposed, carried.

Res. #080813-6

### **AUDIENCE COMMENTS:**

#### **Fred Balzac:**

Fred stated he had missed the last two meetings and was requesting information on what had happened at those meetings regarding the decision to pass a Resolution to go with one Town Justice for the Town of Jay starting January 1, 2014. Supervisor Douglas explained that June 21<sup>st</sup> he wrote a letter to both Town Justices requesting a meeting with them. Councilman Depo had open discussions with both of them regarding this issue. I also obtained information from other Towns on the Town Justice Salaries which has been shared with the Town Board. A lot of thought and discussion was held before we passed the Resolution eliminating 1 Town Justice position.

Ray Losso: Asked if the Resolution regarding eliminating the position of one Town Justice could be rescinded. The Town Board does not wish to rescind the resolution.

### **PRESENTATION BY Rod Boula from Elizabethtown Community Hospital.**

Rod gave a good presentation about what is happening at the Elizabethtown Community Hospital. Last year they were in the Black financially, they have 2 new Primary Care Physicians. We are looking at coming into Au Sable Forks with a Clinic by this time next year. Supervisor thanked Rod for coming to the meeting and giving the Board an update. The Board looks forward to you coming to Au Sable Forks with a Clinic. We all appreciate what the Elizabethtown Community Hospital provides to the public.

### **Condolence to the Family of Dubby Zaumetzer:**

Motion made by Councilman Depo with a unanimous second to offer a Resolution of Condolence to the family of Dubby Zaumetzer, She is the Mother of Kevin Zaumetzer who works for the Highway Dept. She was a wonderful person and this is a great loss to our Town. All in favor, none opposed, carried.

Res. # 080813-7

**Attorney Manning: DISCUSS JLKN AGREEMENT:** Attorney Manning has to no problem with Supervisor Douglas signing the agreement, if Attorney Manning approves. Motion made by Councilman Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman McDonald to authorize Supervisor Douglas to sign the agreement with JLKN. All in favor, none opposed, carried.

Res. #080813-8

**CORRESPONDENCE IN:**

a. Clinton County Health Department.

b. New York State Smoking Regulations

c. Bob Marvin request for Road Name "Henry's Way" on behalf of Dave and Julie Bedore. Motion made by Councilman Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman McDonald to table until the Special meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup>. All in favor, none opposed, carried.

Res. #080813-9

d. Lynn Gilbert: (Red Cross Letter)

**CORRESPONDENCE OUT:**

a. AVCS KURT Munson Girls/Boys Varsity Basketball Resolutions of Congratulations.

b. Memo to Chris- Black Brook Sewer Update Request.

**RESOLUTIONS TO CONSIDER:**

a. Resolution of Condolence to the Family of G. Jeffrey Haber, Executive Director, NYS Association of Towns. Motion made by Councilman McDonald, with a unanimous second to offer a Resolution of Condolence to the family of G. Jeffrey Haber, who passed away July 26<sup>th</sup>. He was the Executive Director, of NYS Association of Towns. All in favor, none opposed, carried.

Res. #080813-10

b. APPROVAL TO PUT STRAIGHT ROAD (NRCS Grant) out to bid.

Motion made by Councilman Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Depo to put the Straight Road out for bid for work to be done with the NRCS Grant. All in favor, none opposed, carried.

Res. #080813-11

c. Allen Fitzgerald request to support Citizens United and Federal Election Commission for Constitutional Amendment. Tabled until Special Meeting.

**SUPERVISORS REPORT:**

a. Update Property Acquisition: Surveys are being done, we are hoping that we will be tearing the 50 homes down in the near future. It has been two long years, but this is a normal time to wait to get everything completed.

The Scriver home was for-closed, not a property acquisition. This was deemed an unsafe building; the cost of tearing the building down will be added to the land taxes.

b. I would like to clarify something that is being discussed among some people regarding FEMA and Councilman McDonald. FEMA sets the rules for qualification and Councilman McDonald duly qualifies for FEMA help. His home in Jersey was affected drastically by Irene. He does not have flood insurance. He would like to keep the home, but will not be able to do so. His application is fair and true, and I don't believe it is appropriate for others to be discussing this. He is not getting any help that he is not duly qualified to get. We as a Town reached out to everyone to get residents some help. We had residents applying to FEMA and SEMO, and some of the people making complaints about Councilman McDonald are getting help some other way.

**Update Henry's Trail: Resolution Needed.**

Motion made by Councilwoman Shalton with a unanimous 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve the name of Henry's Trail for the New trail at the Au Sable Forks Playground. All in favor, none opposed, carried. The Caito Family are very happy that we are naming the trail after their little son who lost his life in a tragic car accident.

Res. #080813-12

Update- Budget Class attended by Susan and Randy- Discuss 2014 Budget. We will be scheduling budget meetings soon.

Update- Sewer and Lagoons: The work is moving rapidly, we are going to schedule a meeting with Black Brook .

Update CRZ: Community Recovery Zone- This will be a group working together to discuss things that will help prevent future floods. Scott McDonald has been appointed to work with the CRZ as the Co-Chairman.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

**Clerk to the Supervisor/Budget Officer Susan Richards:**

Operating Statement

**WATER/SEWER BILLER Carol Greenley-Hackel**

1. Discuss Cody Pociask Request:

2. Resolution Needed: Accept 2013 Water Billing- A motion to accept the 2013 Town of Jay Water Billing in the amount of \$24,350.64 was offered by Councilman McDonald, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Hall. All in favor, none opposed, carried.

Res. #080813-13

3. Accept Water Billing Adjustments: Motion made by Councilman Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman McDonald To accept the Water Billing Adjustments as presented. All in favor, none opposed, carried.

Res. #080813-14

4. The following Resolution was offered by Councilman Depo who moved for its adoption:

Be it hereby resolved that the Town of Jay Board approves the following Water Turn on/off's and fees as presented by DPW Clerk Jaime Rose Douglas for the following: Armetrica Properties- 14190 NYS Rte 9N, Au Sable Forks, NY- Turn On

This Resolution was seconded by Councilwoman Shalton. All in favor, none opposed, carried.

Res. #080813-15

5. The following motion was made by Councilman Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman McDonald to offer a Resolution to accept the Unpaid Sewer Accounts of \$23,350.64. All in favor, none opposed, carried.

Res. #080813-16

6. The following Resolution was made by Councilman Depo, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman McDonald to accept the unpaid water accounts of \$40,343.51. All in favor, none opposed, carried.

Res. #080813-17

6. The following motion was offered by Councilman Depo, who moved for its adoption:

Be it therefore Resolved that The Town of Jay will offer a reduced Water Rate of \$0 for flooded parcels who are involved in the FEMA Property Acquisition Process where the water has been turned off by DPW Director Chris Garrow.

This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Shalton. All in favor, none opposed, carried.

Res. #080813-18

**AUDITED BILLS:** Motion made by Councilman McDonalds, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Depo to pay offer a Resolution to pay the following audited bills:

General \$6,214.99; Highway \$122,074.12; SW1 \$25.00; SW2 \$25.00; SW3 \$25.00; SS \$189,340.68; Jay Playground Park \$169.76 and Justice Court Rehab. \$534.58 for a total of \$318,409.13. All in favor, none opposed, carried.

Res. #080813-19

**CODE ENFORCEMENT:**

Code Enforcement: Angela Lucey has been hired to fill in for a temporary position. Her Hours are listed and have been put out to the media. Everything is going well with this part time position.

Appoint a Committee to Interview Qualified Applicants: We have had 7 or 8 applications turned in for code enforcement officer, 3 days a week for \$15,000.00. Supervisor has appointed Councilman Depo and McDonald will look over the applications and give dates to interview.

**Sole Assessor Donna Bramer:**

1. Donna's Response to AAPOA.
2. Hardzog Lawsuit information

**REVITALIZATION:**

Town Wide Yard Sale to be held August 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Planning Board:**

1. Bedore Plan Discussion
2. Calvin Coolidge sworn in as New Member of Planning Board.

**Town Clerk Bea Pelkey/Deputy Clerk Carol Greenley-Hackel**

1. Copy of Resolution sent to Tahawus Center/Appleby Foundation in Support of Grant.

**BOARD MEMBERS:**

Councilman Hall:

1. Wondered what is happening with dog signs for the parks. We still have a lot of dogs being brought to the parks.
2. Jay Village Green: The concerts have been great at the Park and we want to thank the JEMS for setting up the bands. I do have a question about some of the bands driving on the park when setting up for the concerts. We need to express our concern to the JEMS. During the Ironman a sheriff parked his car on the village Green.

**Councilman McDonald:None**

**Councilwoman Shalton:** I would like to thank Rod Boula and Matt Nolan for the good job they do with the Essex County Community Hospital and for giving a great report.

**Councilman Depo:** I have spent the last 2 weeks researching records about the Community Center roof project and I am not able to find much information regarding this. We need to find out what happened to cause the shingles to only last for 12 years. We need to have someone come and look over the roof situation and let us know why the shingles are already bad. We need to look into this further before we redo the roof. Councilman McDonald and Councilman Depo will continue to look into the roof problems.

**AUDIENCE: Ray Losso**

What was the Special Meeting for at the end of July. It was held to vote on the \$1,624,286 Bonds of the Town of Jay to pay the cost of the increase and improvement of the Au Sable Forks-Jay Sewer District and any other business that might come before the public.

Supervisor Douglas stated we will be having a Special Meeting September 4<sup>th</sup> to go over any recommendations for Code Enforcement.

**Fred Balzac** had some questions on the June minutes.

**EVENTS:**

- A. Oozeball Tournament- Upper Jay Fire Department- This weekend
- B. Great Au Sable Duck Race (Approval to use the Riverside Park. Motion made by Councilwoman Shalton, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman McDonald to give Dorothy Changelo permission to use the Riverside Park on September 8, 2012 to hold a Duck Race in the in memory of Ryan Slater. This is to help the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention. All in favor, none opposed, carried.  
Res. #080813-20
- C. Rabies Vaccine Scheduled for 10/24/2013 at the Au Sable Forks Ambulance Garage.
- D. Holy Name Labor Day Celebration Monday, September 2, 2013- Parade at 10:00 A.M.
- E. Susan Richards Live at the Hollywood Theatre August 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M.
- F. JEMS Concerts- Jay Village Green Saturdays at 6:30 P.M.

**The next meeting Regular Board Meeting will be held September 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M. at the Community Center.**

Motion made by Councilman Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Shalton to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 P.M. All in favor, none opposed, Meeting Adjourned.

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Supervisor, Randy Douglas

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Town Clerk, Bea Pelkey

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Councilman, Archie Depo

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Councilman, Gerald Hall

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Councilwoman, Amy Shalton

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Councilman, Thomas McDonald