

03/03/10 Town Board Minutes

A regular meeting of the Elma Town Board was held on Wednesday, March 3, 2010, at 7:00 PM, Elma Town Hall, 1600 Bowen Road, Elma, New York, with the following members present:

Supervisor Michael Nolan-Absent
Councilman Thomas Fallon
Councilman Tracy Petrocy
Councilman Dennis Powers
Councilman Dean Puleo

Also: Town Attorney Phyllis Todoro
Building Inspector Joseph Colern
Highway Superintendent Wayne Clark-Absent
Water Superintendent Eugene Stevenson
Town Engineer James Wyzykiewicz

Approximately 10 people attended the meeting.

The meeting was opened with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Powers made the motion and Councilman Petrocy seconded the motion to approve the minutes from the February 10, 2010 meeting.
Ayes-4. Noes-0. Carried.

Department Reports

Town Engineer James Wyzykiewicz updated the Town Board on the Stormwater Coalition; they will be giving a presentation at the next Work Session.
Building Inspector Joseph Colern presented the January and February building inspectors report with 12 permits issued, fees collected of \$7,232.14 with an estimated value of construction of \$1,100,865.
Water Superintendent Eugene Stevenson updated the Town Board on the painting project for the water tank; bids will go out March 17, 2010. Also a water line was repaired on Bowen Road between Bullis and Chairfactory Roads.

Town Attorney Phyllis Todoro updated the Town Board on the Forbes/Capretto land project.

Deputy Supervisor Puleo opened the bids for the Water Depart van as follows: Towne Ford \$20,514.46; Delacy Ford \$21,204; Van Bortel Ford \$21,865; West Herr Ford \$21,566; Basil Ford \$20,326; Dave Smith Ford \$21,090.34; Emerling Ford \$20,715.46 bids will be reviewed at the next Work Session.

Councilman Fallon made the motion and Councilman Powers seconded the motion to approve the Firemen's Service Award Program for Elma, Jamison and Blossom Fire Companies. Ayes-4. Noes-0. Carried.

Councilman Powers made the motion and Councilman Petrocy seconded the motion to approve the Town of Elma Capitalization Policy for inventory purposes. Ayes-4. Noes-0. Carried.

Councilman Fallon made the motion and Councilman Powers seconded the motion to approve the agreement between the County of Erie and the Town of Elma. Ayes-4. Noes-0. Carried.

Councilman Petrocy made the motion and Councilman Fallon seconded the motion to approve the agreement with the Veterans of Foreign Wars #5861 for \$2000.00. Ayes-4. Noes-0. Carried.

Councilman Fallon made the motion and Councilman Powers seconded the motion to approve the agreement with the Boys & Girls Club of Elma for \$50,000. Ayes-4. Noes-0. Carried.

Councilman Powers made the motion and Councilman Fallon seconded the motion to approve the notice to extend the County Tax Collection until June 30, 2010. Ayes-4. Noes-0. Carried.

Councilman Petrocy made a motion and Councilman Fallon seconded the motion to approve the Town Clerk to attend the Town Clerk's Conference in April and the Tax Receivers Conference June which has been budgeted for. Ayes-4. Noes-0. Carried.

Councilman Powers made the motion and Councilman Fallon seconded the motion to approve the following resolutions amending the 2009 Adopted Budget for the Conservation Easement Grant and the Installation of a Traffic Signal/Light Grant: WHEREAS, the Town has received a grant from New York State for the installation of a traffic signal/light on Girdle Road in front of Iroquois Central High School, and WHEREAS, the Town's 2009 adopted budget does not currently include the grant funding or the appropriations for the installation of the traffic light NOW, THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the amending of the 2009 adopted budget to include the grant funding and appropriations for the installation of the traffic light as follows:

Increase Appropriations: A3310.401-Traffic Control-Signals & Intersection-\$50,000.00

Increase Estimated Revenues: A3060-State Aid – Grants-\$ 50,000.00

WHEREAS, the Town has received a grant from New York State for farmland preservation, and WHEREAS, the Town's 2009 adopted budget does not currently include the grant funding nor the appropriations for the Conservation Easement NOW, THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the amending of the 2009 adopted budget to include the grant funding and appropriations for the Conservation Easement as follows:

Increase Appropriations: A 8715.400-Conservation Easement Expense-\$ 234,537.00

Increase Estimated Revenues: A 3910-State Aid-Conservation Grant-(\$ 185,432.00)

A599-Appropriated Fund Balance-(\$49,105.00)

Ayes-4. Noes-0. Carried.

Councilman Petrocy made the motion and Councilman Fallon seconded the motion to approve the following Proclamation Recognizing March 11th, 2010 as World Kidney Day: WHEREAS, healthy kidneys are essential to regulate the water and other chemicals in your blood; remove fluids, waste, toxins and drugs introduced to the body; release hormones that regulate blood pressure, make red blood cells and promote strong bones, and, WHEREAS, more the 26 million Americans, about one in nine adults, suffer from chronic kidney disease and, WHEREAS, 170,000 Western New Yorkers have Chronic Kidney Disease and another 170,000 are at risk and don't know it, Whereas, 1,600 Western New Yorkers are on dialysis, Whereas nearly 500 Western New Yorkers are

awaiting a kidney transplant, Whereas approximately 40 percent are African American and 16 percent are Hispanic, and, WHEREAS, the two main causes of chronic kidney disease are diabetes and high blood pressure, which are responsible for up to two-thirds of the cases, WHEREAS, the National Kidney Foundation of WNY has a free health screening program to identify people in the early stages of kidney disease, and, WHEREAS, the mission of the National Kidney Foundation of WNY is to prevent kidney and urinary tract diseases, improve the health and well-being of individuals and families affected by these diseases, and increase the availability of all organs for transplantation, WHEREAS, early detection including regular reporting of the GFR calculation through a simple blood test, currently the best indication of kidney disease staging, can help prevent the progression of kidney disease to kidney failure, which requires continual dialysis or kidney transplant to maintain life, and, WHEREAS, the cost of treatment for kidney disease patients is disproportionately higher than any other chronic disease, and, WHEREAS, most patients who have end-stage renal disease rely primarily on Medicare and Medicaid to cover the costs of their life-sustaining care, which includes dialysis treatment, medications, laboratory testing, and as necessary, transportation services to the dialysis facility, and as a consequence, any changes in Medicare and Medicaid eligibility, significantly put them at risk, NOW, THEREFORE, Be it Resolved by: That March 11th is recognized as “World Kidney Day” in New York State and the Town of Elma in the hope that all possible support will continue to be extended to Chronic Kidney Disease patients in New York and throughout the country and the world.

Ayes-4. Noes-0, Carried.

Deputy Supervisor Puleo noted the receipt of Robert Newton the Town Historian’s 2009 Year End Report.

Deputy Supervisor Puleo announced the next Work Session will be on March 10, 2010 at 6:00PM.

All have received the Planning, Zoning and Conservation Board and Design Guidelines Committee minutes that apply.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45PM. All in Favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia King
Town Clerk