

**TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION  
OCTOBER 09, 2007**

**PRESENT:**

Douglas Bloomfield	Supervisor	Kenneth Newbold	Councilman
Louis Cappella	Councilman		

**ABSENT:** George Lyons, Councilman; Philip Canterino, Councilman

**ALSO PRESENT:** Dennis Caplicki, Town Attorney

**ITEMS DISCUSSED:**

**1. HIGHWAY NEW HIRE:** Supervisor Bloomfield explained Highway is asking to hire Anthony Lasaponara as MEO for the Highway Department. The Board discussed the hire and will place approval on Thursday's agenda, subject to favorable physical and drug test.

**2. POLE BARN PURCHASE BY DPW:** Councilman Cappella explained Highway had put in their budget, for this year, the beginning phases of a pole barn, to house equipment that is currently sitting outside. He said the Highway Superintendent would like to start the process and put it out to bid. Councilman Cappella said the Superintendent had received one estimate for \$6,500, but of course it would be put out to bid. After a brief discussion the Board decided to place the authorization to allow it to go out to bid on Thursday's agenda.

**3. PURCHASE OF USED VAN FOR DIAL-A-BUS:** Councilman Cappella reported Highway is not due for a new Dial-A-Bus for at least a year and a half according to the State. He explained when the existing buses break down, another vehicle is needed, and a rental van is not always available. The County now has a used, eight passenger van that is in good condition. Councilman Cappella said upon examination it appears to be in good condition and could be used for backup. The County is asking \$1,000.00, Supervisor Bloomfield asked if they would accept \$500.00. He has not had a response from the County prior to the meeting. The cost to rent a van is \$389.00 per week, which could be expensive since we have to wait the year and a half for the new bus. Authority to purchase will be placed on Thursday's agenda.

**4. 2010 Decennial:** Supervisor Bloomfield reported the Federal Government, through the County, is asking us to participate in the 2010 census. He said there are three different levels in which the Town can participate. The census can help a Town as the greater the population, the greater the availability of grant money in some cases. Pricilla Gersbeck, a member of the Assessor's staff, went to the training session. Ms. Gersbeck felt she could handle option one, with the help of the other girls in the office. Level one would be a full address review. Supervisor Bloomfield made a Motion to authorize the

Assessing Department, with Pricilla Gersbeck, as the liaison to the census bureau, to participate in option one, a full address review. Motion seconded by Councilman Cappella. Motion carried 3 to 0.

Supervisor Bloomfield said he received a dinner reservation gift certificate from Chester La Barron to dine at his new restaurant. Since he cannot accept such a gift, he would like to donate it, as he did with the last gift, to the Senior Center. The Senior Center used the gift as a prize or award for one of its festivities. He will contact the Center to see if it can again be used by them.

Supervisor Bloomfield reported Howard Keating, one Fleetwood Drive, appeared in his office with a container holding black silky water. He was very upset. Supervisor Bloomfield contacted Joel Klopchin, who oversees our water districts, and asked him to look into the situation, and to seek a solution to the problem.

Councilman Cappella asked about the opening of the park. Supervisor Bloomfield said the low hanging wire is still there and the insurance company wants it taken down. After a brief discussion the Board asked the Town Clerk to contact Frontier Communications and ask to have it removed.

The Board also discussed the driveway easement over the Library property and how and who will be taking care of it and the tower. The Fire Department was supposed to place a tarp over the tower to preserve it. Supervisor Bloomfield asked Councilman Newbold to ask the Deputy Clerk to compose a letter to send to the Fire Department requesting it be done.

Supervisor Bloomfield asked Councilman Newbold if he was able to obtain a financial report from the Humane Society. Councilman Newbold replied no, but he had left several messages. The Board discussed the funds that are given each year by the Town and the Village, and the additional \$15,000.00 the Town gave for the spay/neuter program. The Board would like, and have asked, for a yearly financial report. The Supervisor suggested a letter be sent to the Society and asking again for their financial report.

With no further business, Supervisor Bloomfield made A Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss the Public Scoping of the EIS, the status of Larchwood Drive, and Sullivan litigation, with no intent to return. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Cappella. Motion carried 3 to 0.

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