

Presiding: Jeffrey A. Piazza, Supervisor

Present: Eugene Heath, Councilman
Ronald V. Johnson, Councilman
Valerie McDonald, Councilwoman
Kevin Myers, Councilman

Also present Irene Turck, Bookkeeper; Paul Webb, Jr., Attorney; Gary Carlson, Highway Superintendent, Melanie Hutley, Town Clerk, Sandra K. Johnson, 2nd Deputy Town Clerk, George Carlson, Chautauqua County Department of Finance, Wendy Sanfilippo, Extension Services Coordinator

Supervisor Piazza opened the meeting with the pledge to the Flag.

LEGAL NOTICE
Road Posting

Minutes & Reports

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Minutes & Reports: Motion by Councilman Heath, seconded by Councilman Johnson, that January Town Board meeting minutes be approved as submitted and reports of Supervisor, Town Clerk, Justice Nelson, Justice Kosthorst, Zoning Code Officer and Assessor be accepted. yea-5 nay- 0. Carried.

Bills

Bills: Motion by Councilman Myers, seconded by Councilman Heath, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to pay General Fund bills, 24-45, Sewer Fund bills, 3-4, Highway Funds bills, 9-25. Carried.

Bills Paid after Audit

None.

OLD BUSINESS

Letter from BPU

Jamestown BPU Randy Peterson spoke with Town Clerk and said he was attending meeting Friday February 15th and will get back with Town as to the outcome of that meeting by March Town Board Meeting.

Erie County Utility Aggregate

Erie County's Utility Aggregate: George Carlson addressed questions from the Town Board members. There would be approximately a 8.4% savings per year of \$402.91 after fees on commodity purchase based on last years history. Rates are not guaranteed. Agreements maybe terminated up to 60 days with no cost to convert, or with any reconnect fees incurred going into the Aggregate or switching back to National Grid. There would still be bill from National Grid, but there would be a bill consolidation. National Grid is still responsible for the line maintenance. Highway Supervisor Carlson had question on the street lighting that is not metered it is estimated with lamp and wattage use owned and serviced by National Grid. Mr. Carlson will be getting back with Attorney Webb on termination of contract time limits and with Highway Superintendent Carlson.

NEW BUSINESS

- Extension Services Coordinator Wendy Sanfilippo who is also a Kiantone Resident addressed questions on recycling, Councilman Johnson brought up concerns on expanding instead of consolidation and if greater costs will be incurred to Town of Kiantone. Ms. Sanfilippo will get back with Highway Superintendent, Gary Carlson, with the costs on extra containers for recycling as well as extra costs for collection of containers.
- Assessor's Report February Assessor's Report – New assessments to all property owners during middle of March. Having informal hearings during April for those wanting to review their assessments with our office. Final phase will be the 2008 Grievance Day to be held on Tuesday May 27th. Assessor Randy Holcomb's office posts the notice about Grievance Day. All S.T.A.R. applications must be filed by March 1st.
- Agreement Between Towns Agreement between Town of Busti and Town of Kiantone on shared services, standard agreement the Town renews every year.
- Town of Pomfret Wind Farm Law Town Attorney, Paul Webb brought up Wind Farm Laws from Town of Pomfret and to the Town of Kiantone's Zoning Ordinance about regulating. Commercial Wind Farms are not allowed, Attorney Webb says they are regulated according to Zoning Ordinance 644. They are covered in our Zoning, private use Windmills are allowed in most districts with special use permits and safety regulation met, but not a Wind Farm. There may be an argument that you could get them in an area zoned commercial, but they are not a Public Utility. Town may want the Planning Board to look at it to add specific categories for regulations.
- Building Committee Highway Superintendent, Gary Carlson will be getting the building committee back together, looking into system to safeguard Community Building's water system, cost would be \$933.00 from Clark Supply installed by us.
- Motion by Supervisor Piazza to authorize Highway Superintendent Carlson to purchase Water Treatment System. Motion seconded by Councilman Johnson. yea– 5, nay– 0. Carried.
- Replacement Highway Truck #550 Highway Superintendent Carlson addresses the issue of Highway truck #550 reaching it's 10th anniversary and would like to get some pricing on a replacement vehicle, he is looking into State and County contracts for pricing. He will get together information and bring it before the board in the near future.
- Highway Ice Control Highway Superintendent Carlson addresses material cost for ice control a little bit ahead this year than last year. We are about 100 ton more on salt, than we were last year at this time, we are close budget wise, if weather persists as it has we could go over budget amount.
- Transfer Station Supervisor Piazza says transfer station is looking great, Highway Superintendent Carlson says they were recently inspected there were a couple issues but no real problems.
- National Fuel Spencer Road Councilwoman McDonald brought up about National Fuel digging on Spencer Road and odor from leaking gas, it is of no concern to Town of Kiantone, but Highway Superintendent Carlson will call to check about it.

Audit of Books

Audit of Town Clerk's and Tax Account books - The Town Clerk's books were audited and were found to be in good order. Justice Kosthorst needs to submit statement from Annual Audit of Books, it will be presented at March 13th, 2008 Town Board Meeting.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held Thursday March 13, 2008 at 7 PM.

Adjournment

With no further business on hand, Supervisor Piazza motioned to adjourn; Councilman Johnson seconded. Motion carried with all in favor. Adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Melanie Hutley, Town Clerk, Town of Kiantone

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