

Minutes of the Town Board Meeting held at Town Hall on April 18, 2013 at 7:30PM

Present: John Burke, Supervisor  
Timothy Arone, Frank Palermo and Marilyn Prestia, Councilpersons  
Absent: None  
Also Present: Roxanne Donnery, Orange County Legislator; Robert Weyant, Highway Superintendent;  
Richard Vasquez, Chief of Police; Maria Hunter, Village Planning Board

**I. Public Hearing:**

a. 2014 Orange County Community Development Grant:

A public hearing was held to entertain public suggestions for projects to be applied for funding through the 2014 Orange County Community Development Grant program. The public notice was printed in the Times Herald Record on April 11, 2013 and the following comments were received:

Maria Hunter thanked the Board for adopting the Woodbury Friendly Visitor Program on Monday and felt this would be eligible for funding under either Item 6 (Special Projects for Elderly and Handicapped) or Item 7 (Provisions of Public Services). She also suggested Summit Avenue's Oak Clove monument arches which could cost \$30,000 or more. This item would be eligible for funding under Item 2 (Public Works, Public Facilities or Site Improvements). And lastly she felt the Woodbury Dog Shelter could use the grant for improving their building under Item 2 (see above).

Robin Crouse suggested rehabbing the Town Hall's front steps and railing as well as the ramp in the rear of the building. Also the Historical Society's building needs repairs to the front steps and ramp. Lastly using the grant monies for Perrone Circle. She feels there is a lot of potential over there.

Councilwoman Prestia suggested that the Highland Mills Library/Senior Center needs a new roof and fascia.

Councilman Palermo discussed using the grant monies for the Woodbury Roller Rink up at the Earl Rez. It is in pretty bad disrepair (walls leaning and cracks down the center of it).

Supervisor Burke stated a letter was received from the Town Historian requesting that the front steps of the Historical Society be revamped and the handicapped ramp be adjusted with new railings installed.

Ben Meyers suggested the wall in Central Valley by the railroad have some kind of repairs done to it because it is pretty unappealing.

With no further project suggests made, a motion was offered by Councilman Palermo, seconded by Councilman Arone, to close the public hearing.

**ADOPTED**      AYES    4            Burke, Arone, Palermo, Prestia  
                     NOES    0

Supervisor Burke stated the projects suggested this evening will be forwarded to the Town Engineer for review with the County to see if any will qualify for funding.

**II. Administrative Business:**

a. Acceptance of Minutes:

Motion was offered by Councilman Palermo, seconded by Councilwoman Prestia, to accept the minutes of the regular meeting held April 4, 2013.

**ADOPTED**      AYES    4            Burke, Arone, Palermo, Prestia  
                     NOES    0

Motion was then offered by Supervisor Burke, seconded by Councilman Arone, to accept the minutes of the worksession held April 15, 2013.

**ADOPTED**      AYES    4            Burke, Arone, Palermo, Prestia  
                     NOES    0

b. Approval of Abstract:

Motion was offered by Councilman Arone, seconded by Councilman Palermo, to approve Abstract 7 containing Vouchers 20130782 -20130907 and totaling \$231,649.14.

**ADOPTED**      AYES    4            Burke, Arone, Palermo, Prestia  
                     NOES    0

c. Budget Modifications:

Motion was offered by Councilman Palermo, seconded by Councilwoman Prestia, to approve a modification to the 2013 budget of the General Fund by increasing A599 (Appropriated Fund Balance) by \$13,781 and increasing A1010.407 (Channel 22 Upgrade) by \$13,781.

**ADOPTED**      AYES    4            Burke, Arone, Palermo, Prestia  
                     NOES    0

Motion was then offered by Councilman Palermo, seconded by Supervisor Burke, to approve a modification to the 2013 budget of the Buildings/Grounds Department by increasing A599 (Appropriated Fund Balance) by \$20,000 and increasing A1620.421 (CV Pool Maintenance & Repairs) by \$20,000.

**ADOPTED**      AYES    4            Burke, Arone, Palermo, Prestia  
                     NOES    0

Councilwoman Prestia asked if this was going out to bid. Supervisor Burke answered that he just received the report late this afternoon and didn't want to bring it to the Board on such short notice. It will be discussed and the next meeting or workshop. The \$20,000 should cover the bid and engineering fees.

d. Appoint Part-Time Library Assistant:

Motion was offered by Councilman Palermo, seconded by Supervisor Burke, to appoint Rose-Emma Calabrese as a part-time Library Assistant effective April 22, 2013. This position is paid \$17.93/hour (2013 UPSEU Union Step I, Grade X).

**ADOPTED**      AYES    4            Burke, Arone, Palermo, Prestia  
                     NOES    0

Supervisor Burke noted that Councilman Palermo and he met with Mrs. Calabrese and fully recommends her for the position. Councilman Palermo added she seems to have a lot of energy and is looking forward to seeing a lot of people at the library.

**III. Old Business:**

a. Award Bid – Parks Vending Service:

A bid opening was held on March 29, 2013 and the notice was printed in the Times Herald Record on March 13, 2013. Two proposals were received: HGA Vending Corp with 20% commission and Volpe Unlimited with a 21% commission. The prices to be charged by HGA were slightly higher for some items than what Volpe plans to charge. The Board has discussed these proposals at length at the April 1 and April 15 worksessions. Based on these past discussions, a motion was offered by Councilman Arone, seconded by Supervisor Burke, to award the proposal, with a term of May 1, 2013 – April 30, 2016, to HGA Vending Corp.

**ADOPTED**      AYES            3            Burke, Arone, Palermo  
                     ABSTAIN       1            Prestia

Supervisor Burke noted that thanks to Councilwoman Prestia the Board went out and got bids which increased the Towns commission from 15% to 20%.

**IV. New Business:**

a. Waiver of Garage Sale Permit Fee:

Motion was offered by Supervisor Burke, seconded by Councilman Arone, to waive the \$5.00 permit fee for Keller Williams to have a fundraising garage sale on June 1, 2013. The funds raised will benefit the Highland Mills Methodist Church Food pantry and the Keller Williams Care Fund.

**ADOPTED** AYES 4 Burke, Arone, Palermo, Prestia  
NOES 0

**V. Department Reports:**

a. Supervisor’s Report – March 2013

Motion was offered by Councilman Palermo, seconded by Councilwoman Prestia, to approve the March 2013 Supervisor’s Report with receipts totaling \$172,380.29 and disbursements totaling \$825,081.48.

**ADOPTED** AYES 4 Burke, Arone, Palermo, Prestia  
NOES 0

- b. Town Clerk’s Report – March 2013
- c. False Alarm Report – February 2013
- d. Parks/Recreation Minutes – None Received
- e. Animal/Goose Control Report – March 2013
- f. Police/Communications Report – March 2013
- g. Beautification Commission Minutes – March 14 and April 11, 2013
- h. Library Minutes – April 2, 2013
- i. Budget vs. Actual – March 2013

**VI. Public Comment:**

Councilman Arone thanked County Legislator Donnery for her tremendous job she has done with the pipeline. He thanked Supervisor Burke for his efforts and is glad we didn’t have to bail anyone out of jail. He also thanked Assemblyman Skoufis. He noted that it doesn’t matter what party affiliations you have everyone banded together for the good of the community.

Councilman Palermo wanted to acknowledge the Woodbury Chamber of Commerce’s tremendous efforts along with Monroe and Cornwall’s Chambers of Commerce in having the Chamber Expo. It was well attended and he found it incredible.

Supervisor Burke applauded the efforts between the three towns. There were about 1000 people who attended the first Tri-Chamber Expo with about 100-120 businesses participating. It was a very successful day. He also thanked Councilman Palermo and the Board for helping with the 5<sup>th</sup> Electronic Collection Pick-Up Day. It was extremely successful and there will be another one in October.

County Legislator Donnery spoke about this being her 16<sup>th</sup> year representing Woodbury. She said that Supervisor Burke and she were such a great team this week watching the pipes being installed. Legislator Donnery gave a brief history of the pipeline beginning in 2004 up to the present date. It is not about the party affiliations it is about what is right for the people. It’s about a very fair practice of all municipalities deserving the same. This is the people’s government - no special favors. We have to stay on top of this – watch very carefully what is happening.

Maria Hunter thanked Supervisor Burke and Legislator Donnery as well as Assemblyman Skoufis for fighting for the residence of Woodbury. Mrs. Hunter asked if there is any way to stop the redistricting in the County. Legislator Amo is never there for us, we are very happy we have Legislator

Donnery, and our other representative (Legislator Hines) she has never met. We should have one person who is going to represent all of us in Woodbury.

Robert Hunter thanked Legislator Donnery and Supervisor Burke for standing up there on Seven Springs Road and representing us with the waterline issue.

Legislator Donnery answered Mrs. Hunter's question regarding the redistricting of Woodbury. She was told this afternoon that there is not enough time to do another map and they will stay with the district they have this year. The next legislative elections would be in four years.

**VII. Adjournment:**

With no further business to discuss, a motion was offered by Councilman Arone, seconded by Councilwoman Prestia, to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 PM.

<b>ADOPTED</b>	AYES	4	Burke, Arone, Palermo, Prestia
	NOES	0	

France Huang, Deputy Town Clerk