

Minutes of the Town Board Worksession held at Town Hall on August 13, 2012 at 7:30PM

Present: John Burke, Supervisor
Timothy Arone, Frank Palermo, Marilyn Prestia and James Skoufis, Councilpersons
Absent: None
Also Present: Robert Weyant, Highway Superintendent

1. Discussion – Insurance Plan Renewal:

Robert Stubbs, Account Representative from Marshall & Sterling, stated he solicited five different carriers and three could not compete or outright declined to offer a proposal. He presented two proposals for the Board to review and compare. The first was from our current carrier, Argonaut, which quoted \$141,928 and had no policy changes. However, the Board could opt to change the deductible for General Liability from \$0 to \$2500 which would reduce the quote to \$138,714. The amount quoted for 2011/12 was \$139,838 (which included lowering the deductible for Public Officers coverage from \$25,000 to \$10,000). The second proposal is from US Specialty Insurance Company for \$135,090. The coverage is basically the same except for the liability for the downstream coverage for the dam. Argonaut offers a \$10 million excess policy and US Specialty does not (they only cover the basic \$1 million). A lengthy discussion was held and the Board agreed to stay with Argonaut, even though they were the slightly higher quote, for the following reasons: 1) we have a history with them and 2) the excess downstream coverage for the dam. The Board will take action to accept the proposal at its August 16 meeting. Councilman Arone asked about coverage should the Police Department begin using taser guns. Mr. Stubbs stated Argonaut does cover this and in Port Jervis they paid for a consultant that helped them to write policies and procedures that would make sure it is being done in the most legally correct way. The consultant is a retired law enforcement individual and very adept on the issue.

8:20PM - Executive Session:

Motion was offered by Councilman Palermo, seconded by Councilman Arone, to enter into an executive session pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law, to discuss one matter of personal relating to the employment history of an individual in the Police Department.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Burke, Arone, Palermo, Prestia, Skoufis
NOES 0

No minute of the executive session were recorded.

2. Adjournment:

With no further business to discuss, a motion was offered by Councilman Palermo, seconded by Councilman Arone, to end the executive session and adjourn the meeting at 10:10PM.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Burke, Arone, Palermo, Prestia, Skoufis
NOES 0

Desiree Potvin, Town Clerk