

The September 07, 2011 regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon was called to order by Supervisor Wormuth at 7:00 pm in the A. James Bold Meeting Room at the New Town Hall with the following members present:

Melinda A. Wormuth, Supervisor
Walter F. Polak, Councilman
Paul L. Hotaling, Councilman
Craig A. Hayner, Councilman
Lynda A. Bryan, Town Clerk
Lyn A. Murphy, Town Attorney

Not Present: Regina C. Parker, Councilwoman, & Matthew J. Chauvin, Deputy Attorney

The Town Board Workshop was held in the Board Room at 6:15 pm; no action was taken. Supervisor Wormuth led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATION by the Clifton Park – Halfmoon Ambulance Corps on their Annual Budget Report.

Joe Santiago thanked the Board for blocking off this period of time for their presentation. He introduced himself as the Chief Executive Officer and the Director of the Clifton Park & Halfmoon EMS. He came this evening to discuss the organization and the changes that have occurred in 2011, and some of the projections for 2012. He handed the following report to the Board Members.

<div>CLIFTON PARK & HALFMOON EMERGENCY CORPS</div>	<div>Town of Halfmoon Budget Proposal 09/07/2011</div>
<div><div>EXECUTIVE SUMMARY</div><div><p>Overview:</p><p>The Clifton Park & Halfmoon Emergency Corps is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to the provision of Emergency Medical Services to the Towns of Clifton Park and Halfmoon. Clifton Park Halfmoon Emergency Corps is committed to premier patient care and successful, integrated community partnerships. This commitment is the key element to our success, our foundation and our future.</p><p>Restructuring:</p><p>Clifton Park & Halfmoon Emergency Corps has recently undergone an organizational revision under which we segmented our business practice into two clear divisions.</p><p><i>Clinical Services Division</i> is responsible for the oversight and administration of clinical services provided to the citizens of Clifton Park and Halfmoon. This division encompasses emergency 911 responses and all associated logistics and administrative support to that mission.</p><p><i>Community Services Division</i> is responsible for the oversight and administration of community services programs that contribute to the health and safety of the citizens of Clifton Park and Halfmoon. This division encompasses all associated logistics and administrative support to that mission. Volunteerism is a fundamental aspect of our community services division and 2011 marks a reinvigoration of our volunteer program. In fact, in 2011, we have had 14 new volunteers join our ranks and we anticipate many more volunteers in 2012.</p><p>In addition to the corporate business segment restructuring, both operational and executive leadership has been expanded.</p><p>Clifton Park & Halfmoon Emergency Corps welcomes John Janikas MD to our executive leadership team as the Chairman of the Board of Directors. Dr. Janikas is a Board Certified Emergency Medicine Physician. He is currently the Director of Emergency Services at Samaritan Hospital in Troy, NY. Dr. Janikas has extensive experience in both clinical medicine and executive leadership. He brings clear vision and direction to our Board of Directors.</p><p>Joseph Santiago RN, CFRN, EMT-P, FP-C, CMTE. Joe is an EMS professional with 17 years of EMS and healthcare experience. Certified as a Medical Transport Executive, he possesses the requisite business skill set to effectively manage Clifton Park & Halfmoon Emergency Corps.</p></div></div>	

The Clifton Park & Halfmoon Emergency Corps is proud to announce the addition of several new board members. These board members bring relevant expertise to our board with a combination of business, financial, public safety and clinical backgrounds. In addition, each board member is a volunteer and a requisite resident of our communities.

The Clifton Park & Halfmoon Emergency Corps Board of Directors:

Mr. Raymond Dutcher	A retired NYSP Executive
Mr. Michael Lipschultz	A CPA and partner in a local accounting firm
Ms. Kim Shufelt	Director of business operations for a local health system
Mr. Michael Sits	Paramedic and 20 year EMS professional
Mr. William Pfaffenbach	A retired GE Power Systems engineer
A. Hermannsdoerfer MD, PhD	Agency Medical Director

Daily Operations:

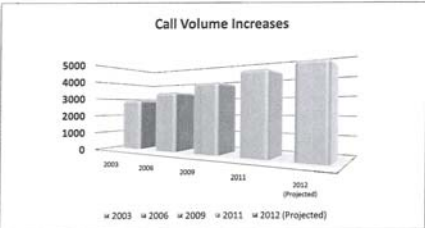
We provide expert clinical care through our experienced clinicians who respond to more than 4000 calls for assistance annually. We are fortunate to employ many dual credentialed providers. Some are Registered Professional Nurses, Physician Assistants, Medical Doctors and Police Officers. In addition to the extensive clinical backgrounds of our staff, we operate a non-traditional response model that provides the citizens of the Towns of Clifton Park and Halfmoon with a dual paramedic staffed ambulance and paramedic staffed suburban response vehicle. This staffing model ensures that calls for assistance are answered by individuals who are certified to the highest level of pre-hospital certification available. When you call for assistance you are cared for by a paramedic who averages 15 years of experience; many of our staff have in excess of 20 years of experience providing emergency medical care.

Corporate Responsibility:

Clifton Park & Halfmoon EMS recognizes the need for fiscal responsibility and has responded with a change in organizational leadership and corporate culture. Municipal Subsidy increases are based on true operational cost and published Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index (CPI). We respond to the need for prudent business practice with independent annual financial audits, data driven operational staffing levels and budgetary levels based on fact, not intuition.

Call Volume:

Call volume for the Clifton Park & Halfmoon Emergency Corps has increased steadily since our inception and we anticipate continued operational growth in the years to come. As the Town of Halfmoon expands with its residential and commercial development initiatives, our call volume will increase along with it. We monitor our call volume and calculate appropriate staffing levels based on numerous factors to ensure we can continue to meet the needs of our community.

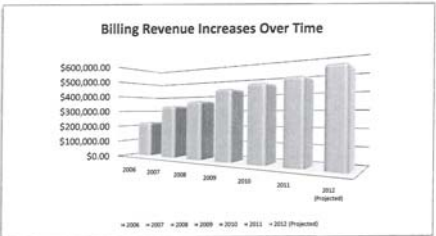


2012 Subsidy Amount:

Clifton Park & Halfmoon has taken many internal cost cutting measures, procedural and process improvement initiatives to ensure that the Town of Halfmoon subsidy amounts are representative of our ongoing commitment to fiscal responsibility. In response to these measures, we are proud to present our budget request of \$1,140,531.10. This figure represents a 3.61% increase over fiscal year 2011 and this moderate increase is due to internal process improvements made during this fiscal year. In the future, the Town of Halfmoon can plan on moderate increases based on increases in operational volume and increases in the Consumer Price Index as published by the Department of Labor. The days of abstract, theoretical budget increases are a thing of the past.

Billing Revenue:

Clifton Park & Halfmoon Emergency Corps bills for services provided. As a community partner, we are dedicated to the responsible provision of emergency medical services regardless of a patient's ability to pay. Clifton Park & Halfmoon Emergency Corps will never require a Halfmoon town resident to be forced to choose between healthcare and groceries. It is our policy that a Town resident will not be taken to collections for emergency medical services rendered. This is representative of our commitment to our community and the overall health and safety of the Town. Further, billing revenue is returned to the Town of Halfmoon in excess of \$400,000.00 per year to offset the operational cost of our service. We plan on continuing this reimbursement model and project increasing billing revenue in the years to come.



Closing:

Thank you for your time, energy and continued support of the Clifton Park & Halfmoon Emergency Corps. We look forward to working together in facing the challenges of continued development of a modern EMS service. Clifton Park & Halfmoon has a rich history of service since 1957 and we look forward to many more years of cooperative service to our community.

Joe Santiago thanked everyone for their time and asked if anybody had any questions that he could answer.

Councilman Polak asked Mr. Santiago if he had anything that shows the number of staff, both part and full time and their hourly rates.

Joe Santiago said he did not have that information with him this evening, but will get it for Mr. Polak. He stated that they have about 70 staff members, 19 with benefits, and 27 that are eligible for benefits. Eligible staff are those that work full or half time

Councilman Polak asked Mr. Santiago if he could get him those numbers.

Joe Santiago said that he would.

Councilman Hayner did not have any questions, but wanted to thank Joe for coming tonight and making the presentation and giving us some good information about where you are and where you are heading. It is great to see these things and thinks it is a great change.

Supervisor Wormuth wanted to echo what Councilman Hayner stated, and to say Thank You. She said that you have been very open. We have met in my office a couple of times and have met with several people from your organization. I think that we have had some very frank conversations about concerns that we had and things you can do. We certainly do see a difference. I hope that with Paul Hotaling attending those meetings and bringing information back and forth in a good manor so that we can work on having a positive working relationship and solving any of the problems that do come up. We appreciate the commitment and we definitely see a difference.

Supervisor Wormuth introduced Beth Abramson, the Animal Control Officer for the Town of Halfmoon, for her presentation of her 2011 report to date. She also stated that there were copies of the report that Beth brought and they are available on the desk.

Beth Abramson apologized about being a bit late as she was detained by a call from a resident. She started by saying that in Animal Control; they have experienced a small uptake over last year in the number of calls that they have responded to. It is mostly due to foxes and other wildlife on the increase, due to the increase in developments and lost habitat because of the developments. It is always a big concern, especially in the daytime and definitely during the earthquake, when the animals come out of their dens.

She referred to the report she brought and discussed the line items:

TYPE OF ACTIVITY-IN HOURS	JAN '11 HRS	FEB '11 HRS	MAR '11 HRS	APR '11 HRS	MAY '11 HRS	JUN '11 HRS	JUL '11 HRS	AUG '11 HRS
dog rail search/pursuit/capture/transport	28.25	32.5	27.75	33.5	31.25	26.75	25.5	34.75
rapid wildlife location/observation/dispatch/transport	8.5	8	5.25	6	19	10.5	11.5	15.75
wildlife/feral cat nuisance (inc trap loan and instruction)	6.5	5.75	5.5	4.5	8	7.5	8.5	12.5
injured wildlife/injured pet assistance/transport (inc. DOA)	1.5	0	2.5	2	0	0	5.5	6.5
owner surrender of pet/transport (inc. abandonment)	2	0	1	0	0	1	2	4.5
bite cases/quarantine checks	8.25	4.5	6	2.5	3	6.75	5	2.75
dangerous dog case preparation	0	0	0	6	8	0	0	5
neglect case preparation	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	15
animal in distress call (inc. suspected abuse/neglect)	22.5	21.75	17.25	16	11.5	4.75	5.75	15
livestock death by loose dog investigation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
park patrol (Canal Road) includes hours spent walking Crescent Trail	4.5	5.25	5	4	7	6.5	0	0
Town Park patrol (Route 236) includes hours spent walking trail	5.75	4.25	6	5	6	5.75	5	2.5
park patrol Waterford Lock	5	3.5	2	3	5	4	5	3
patrol Zim Smith trail	3.5	2.75	4	5	2	3.5	4.5	0
patrol Champlain Canal Trail	5.5	3	4.75	5	4	3	4	3.5
ticket preparation and service	8.75	9	9.5	14.5	10.5	1	3	9
court appearances/preparation	0	2.5	6	3.25	3	5.75	2.75	2.5
incoming/outgoing calls/pages/email	47.25	37.75	43.5	46.75	36.25	41.75	32.5	49.5
preparation & mailing of forms/materials (complaints/rabies info/town ordinance	10.5	8.5	7.25	9.5	6	9.75	5.5	14.5
creation and updating of forms	6.25	4.5	3.5	3	0	1	1	7.25
license compliance (delinquent & original)	22.5	19	10.25	11.5	6.5	7.5	6	18.5
lost/found pet DB (inc. web posting & flyer circulation)	9.5	8	4.75	11	5.5	8.25	2.5	10.75
vehicle care cleaning/sanitizing/restocking	6	6	15	6	6	6	6	6
general paperwork/filing/copying (inc. FOIL requests)	5.25	4.5	3	8	3	5	3	7.5
community education/outreach	4	3.5	0	3.5	0	0	0	2
staff coordination and update/vehicle transfer	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
continuing education (research/professional publication reading	7.5	6.75	0	0	0	4.25	5	6
creation of ACO procedures manual	6	5	0	6	0	1.5	2	5
resident requested complaint meeting	3.5	3	0	4	0	1.5	2	4.5
target practice (keeping shooting skills honed to hit what we aim for)	2	1	0	1	0	1	1	2
Continuing education (training/schooling) credits earned	0	0	0	0	3	35.25	0	0
vacation/administrative/holiday time used (not active work time)	2.5	6.75	30.5	0	56	19	67.5	0
TOTAL DEPT. HOURS by calendar month (includes earned admin	249.25	223	226.25	242.5	246.5	237.5	234	260.75
hours above schedule worked John Cuttita (uncompensated time)	2	3	1	3	23	11	17	2
hours above schedule worked Beth Abramson (administrative time)	3.25	6.25	10	7.5	2.25	16.5	7.5	15.75
comp. time taken John Cuttita	0	0 (carryover 2010)	30	0	0	15	15	0
administrative time taken Beth Abramson	2.5	6.75	0.5	0	0	4	52.5	0

Ms. Abramson stated that the Animal Control vehicle was hit as it was parked at her residence recently. Currently she is using one of the Code Enforcement vehicles. One may not associate that vehicle as an Animal Control vehicle as it is on the road.

She also stated that she completed an educational class this year at the Center for Domestic Preparedness in Alabama on Bio Terror and Agriculture Response, which was very informative as to what should be done in our area in the case of a terror attack.

Supervisor Wormuth asked Beth how the training that she received in Alabama was paid for.

Ms. Abramson replied that the Federal Government paid it for. The Federal Government wants more eyes out there and more people aware and passes on the information in the case that something may not be right.

Supervisor Wormuth said that it cost us Beth's time for her to be there, but the cost for the lodging, the meals, etc. was paid for by the programs for the Federal Government, there were no taxpayer dollars spent.

Ms. Abramson said that she had to take some on-line training, which also helps the town with the possibility of grants. She has also been in contact with other Animal Control Officers from other towns. They are all networking and coming to the aid for lost animals. They post the information with the other towns, shelters and rescue organizations. This saves money, because the fewer days an animal is in the shelter, the less the cost is.

Supervisor Wormuth thanked **Ms. Abramson** for her report.

REPORTS OF BOARD MEMBERS AND TOWN ATTORNEY

Councilman Polak stated that it was the last day to register for the Hazardous Waste Program, which is going to be in Clifton Park. There will be no latex paint allowed this year.

The Fall Cleanup will start on Tues September 13, 16, 17, and the following week on 20, 23, and 24th. They will take all household waste and paint cans as long as they are open and dried out. They will take branches that are up to 3" in diameter. He noticed that after the storms of the past couple of weeks that people are bringing them to the Transfer Station in trailer and pick up truckloads.

He is the liaison to the Highway and states that with the storms recently, he has been out with the highway guys several times as has been the Supervisor, who will elaborate on that in her report.

Councilman Hotaling said that on October 1st, Halfmoon Celebrations Committee and the Recreation Department are working together to have our annual Fall Festival at the Town Park from 1-5. It will be a great time and last year over 1000 people attended.

On October 2nd, he would like to invite everybody, male, female, adult or children to attend the Mechanicville-Stillwater Breast Cancer Walk. Last year they had 27 people from the town of Halfmoon attend. It is amazing having all of the communities coming together, that they raised \$35,000, and it all stays here.

He would also like to personally thank the Highway Department, Code Enforcement, and members of the Town Board. The past couple of weekends have been rough in this town, and everyone has pitched in and worked together, and our people are safe. Our local Fire Departments, the Ambulance Corps, everyone is top notch. I have traveled south for work, down in the Catskills; there are places that are just wiped out. We are very lucky to have the people that have here.

Councilman Hayner that he is excited to report that the Hudson River Waterfront Park project is almost complete. It is going to present more opportunities for the residents of Halfmoon to enjoy many recreational things such as kayaking. It is a beautiful park. More information will follow, but he just wanted everyone to know that we are looking at completion of the Park by the end of the month.

Supervisor Wormuth wanted everyone to know that FEMA has declared Saratoga County one of the disaster areas eligible for assistance. So if anyone has any property or personal damage to their homes, they should contact FEMA . The easiest way to do that is to call their 800 numbers initially, and set up an appointment. There will be centers open throughout the county where people can go, and they also have people available to come and meet with people individually if

you do not have a way to get there. That phone number will be on our website tomorrow morning, and the number is 1-800 621-FEMA (3362). They will consider both damage from the Hurricane Tropical Storm and the tree limb storm because they were so closely related. A lot of people were still trying to get over one bad situation before they could be prepared for another one. We are hoping to get some assistance for folks that have gotten damage to their homes.

We started about 6:30 in the morning on the 28th of August with Hurricane Irene, until about 11:00 pm that night. We did 2 separate reverse 911's to all those along the rivers. The first one was at 4:40 in the afternoon & another at 10:22, alerting them to the possibility of the need to evacuate. They were told that they should be monitoring the rivers and calling 911 or their local Fire Departments if they need assistance. We had Code Enforcement, the Highway department and the Town Board members out on the roads going into neighborhoods, checking on people, putting up cones and closing roads as needed. That was a great effort by everybody.

We continued on August 29th, constantly monitoring the rivers and setting stakes. The Highway department was out cutting up brush, clearing trees, and coordinating getting power back on to places. We did have a couple of roads closed for a bit for public safety. There was no personal injury reported during this time. There were a couple of our residents who took the opportunity to have the Fire Company evacuate them, which we encouraged them to do because they were nervous about staying in their homes.

We spent the better part of the day of the 29th, meeting with the Town of Clifton Park and Saratoga County EMS with the possibility of the dam at Lock 7 breaking. That was a big coordinating effort that we went through. We did another reverse 911 call to the people along the river on the Mohawk based on the updated information on the dam. There was a lot of misinformation coming out from different sources and we wanted to clarify the information for them that we had been given directly from the Canal Corp.

We had Highway out the whole time along with Code Enforcement, different Board Members and myself, making sure our residents were safe. Then we had the high windstorms last weekend, and again our Highway department was out clearing roads taking care of things. The Highway Superintendent and I went into neighborhoods that were most badly damaged and started talking to the people out on their lawns, letting them know that we would be out first thing in the morning for debris pick up. We will be doing pick up for the next week and a half or for as long as it takes to get everyone back in good shape.

We ask that residents drag the branches out to the end of the road, butt end out, and stack them there so that the Highway department can access them. They have been through neighborhoods once. They will go back into neighborhoods for people who have not had time to get debris out. We are tracking all of the manpower and time related in order to submit under the County declaration for FEMA, and get reimbursement for using the chippers and any overtime the crew worked. John had people working on Holidays taking care of things, making sure the roads were back open and things were safe.

She is thankful for the Code Enforcement Officer, John Pingelski, the Highway Superintendent and his crew. Steffan Buck who is our Director of Code Enforcement and the Emergency Services Coordinator, as well as our Town Board Member who were out. Mr. Polak, Mr. Hotaling and I were out with Mrs. Parker, Craig had been out several times assessing damage and trying to see what we could do. All in all I think that we fared pretty well. We were glad that there weren't any severe injuries property can be replaced. I am glad that we got through this, and now if the rain would stop and the sun come out for a little bit before the snow and the ice comes.

We did send out a media release regarding holding our Patriot Day Ceremony, which will be on September 11th in recognition of the tenth anniversary of 9/11. It will take place across the street in the Abele Memorial Park on Harris Road. It is open to the public. Because it is the tenth anniversary, we have decided to include some things that we haven't included before. There will be bagpipes, we will have a procession of Emergency Responders, and we have a few Keynote speakers. We would ask any one who wants to attend and come to remember those hero's who lost their lives on that day and those who went down there helping other people and still live with the horrors of the thoughts of that day. We keep them in our prayers. We ask you to join us.

Supervisor Wormuth opened up public privilege for discussion of agenda topics; no one had any questions or comments.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS - month of August

1. Town Justice Wormuth Total # Cases – 328 Total fees submitted to Supervisor \$38,710
Filed

2. Town Justice Tollisen Total # Cases – 310 Total fees submitted to Supervisor \$28,313
Filed

3. Town Clerk Total fees submitted to Supervisor \$6492.60
Filed

4. Senior Express Total # Riders – 378 Total # Meals - 406
Filed

CORRESPONDENCE

1. **Received** from the Town Planning Board resolutions approving the following: Sign applications for Power's Irish Pub located at 130 Meyers Road, for Wright Way Automotive located at 1516 Crescent Road, and for Old Glory Computers located at 1524 Route 9, a Change of Tenant and sign for Viking Tattoo's at 1427 Route 9, and regarding the Pingelski Minor Subdivision, and preliminary layout of the Inglewood Planned Development District.
Received & Filed

2. **Received** from the Town Planning Board denial for a Commercial Site Plan application for Forino Commercial Site Plan located at 14 Upper Newtown Road,
Received, Filed & Print for the Zoning Board

3. **Received** from Parma Italia LLC, a New Application Notice for a Liquor License
Received, Filed & Print

4. **Received** from St. Mary's Church, Crescent notification of change of name of the Private road previously know as Fitzpatrick Lane to St. Mary's Lane.
Received, Filed, Print and this information was sent to our Code Enforcement Office and also referred to the County 911 Emergency system so that it gets plugged into the system.

5. **Received**, August 31, 2011 application for Bett's Farm Mixed Residential Planned Development District, on Betts Lane.
Received & Filed

6. **Received**, September 06, 2011 application for Halfmoon Ridge Residential Planned Development District, South of Vosburgh Road.
Received & Filed The Board Members have not have the opportunity to digest these 2 applications as they are recent to us. We will look at presentations at future Town Board meetings.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION NO. 191

Offered by Councilman Polak, seconded by Councilman Hayner: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Wormuth, Polak, Hotaling, Hayner

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves and order paid all vouchers for all funds listed on Abstract dated September 07, 2011 totaling \$1,189,314.78.

RESOLUTION NO. 192

Offered by Councilman Hayner, seconded by Councilman Polak: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Wormuth, Polak, Hotaling, Hayner

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves the minutes of Town Board meeting of August 17, 2011 as presented.

RESOLUTION NO. 193

Offered by Councilman Polak, seconded by Councilman Hayner: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Wormuth, Polak, Hotaling, Hayner

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves Change Order No. 2, Jersen Construction Group, for the Woodin Road Culvert Replacement in the additional amount of \$3,982.00.

RESOLUTION NO. 194

Offered by Councilman Hotaling, seconded by Councilman Hayner: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Wormuth, Polak, Hotaling, Hayner

RESOLVED, approving the agreement for extension of the Town of Halfmoon Consolidated Water District.

RESOLUTION NO. 195

Offered by Councilman Hotaling, seconded by Councilman Hayner: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Wormuth, Polak, Hotaling, Hayner

RESOLVED, to authorize the Supervisor to make the Transfer between Appropriations and Creation of Appropriations.

A resolution is needed to create the following budget amendment of appropriations and revenues in the Special Revenue Fund for engineering fees for on site quality inspections. These funds are developer’s monies held in escrow by the Town in a regular checking account and used for the payment of costs for that particular project. This resolution is necessary to comply with proper accounting procedures as set forth by NYS Department of Audit and Control.

Debit:	Estimated Revenues	25-510	\$12,927.18
	Subsidiary: 25-4-2189 Home &		
	Community Services		\$12,927.18
Credit:	Appropriations	25-960	\$12,927.18
	Subsidiary: 25-5-1440.40 Engineering		
	Contractors Inspections		\$12,927.18

Information Only: The above was derived from the following breakdown of charges to be paid on the September Abstract for engineering and related fees:

I think that if we keep the lines of communication open and work together, I see this as being a wonderful thing for our community.

John Michne agreed. With that in mind, he wanted to introduce Greg Bold. Greg is going to be our Town liaison. You all know Greg right? Greg is an engineer and he is also a natural fit for us. He is going to help us in making sure you guys are always informed and we do not have any slip ups as we have in the past with scheduling, paying the bills, and maintenance. So, I think that Greg will help with smoothing that out, it is pretty straight forwarded stuff. The contact information will be e-mailed to you as soon as I get a hold of your e-mail addresses.

Supervisor Wormuth asked that he include her secretary in that e-mail so it goes directly to the office. That is where anybody can access it at any time. She can send things back and forth for them if they are at other jobs.

John Michne stated that fall ball starts this Saturday. I know that we need to get P.J. and the Town a schedule. We have a partial schedule from Clifton Park. Clifton Park makes the schedule. We've integrated into their league because we have so few teams.

Supervisor Wormuth said that was one of the things in the spring that we struggled with was when we got the schedule to look at. If we could make that a focus for this year, we could have a meeting and sit down and talk about this. That was one of the things that got us off to a bit of a rocky start. All of this is doable.

John Michne said that this year they made some good money at their golf tournament. I think that this could be something that Celebrations may want to get involved in this year. We made \$1800.00 for the league. We are financially self-sufficient and have a decent balance sheet. We are going to be making some purchases that are going to benefit field and of coarse anything that we do to the fields we will run by you.

We are going to be helping out the Schoharie Baseball Team with a donation drive. Mike Hutchins who is in the Halfmoon Fire Company told us about it. The Schoharie fields were wiped out. It is ridiculous out there.

Supervisor Wormuth said that it was a really high water incident out there that they were monitoring very carefully. As the County Public Safety Coordinator, we spent a lot of time coordinating with the other counties. We will be having people go out there again in that direction to help do voluntary evacuating again because of the water being so high.

John Michne said that Mike Hutchins is awesome. If I can put in a plug for Mike, he really does care for the people. We will be doing what we can. We will be coming here to give you periodic updates.

Supervisor Wormuth said that was good. If he lets her know ahead of time, she will make sure he is on the agenda in case parents are interested or others that want to come in, they can access the website and they will know that you are coming and they can talk to you guys and ask questions. You know that you can always have access to the building for your registrations and sign ups, just schedule that with Lisa.

John Michne asked if anyone had any questions for him or Halfmoon Baseball. It was a thumbs up for him! He will send his contact information. Call him or e-mail him at any time.

Supervisor Wormuth asked that if they were to change anything to the property such as attaching signs on the fence, or equipment, please run that through the

Town Attorney so that she does not fall out of her chair when we tell her that volunteers are doing something. This is one thing that I have worked closely with Mike Halpern on.

Deanna Stephenson came forward to say that she had 1 concern and was not sure if they were aware of. She had an individual call her, a Miss Kimberly Guynup, about a pond near a construction site 1/4 mile south of Stewart's. I think that it was an existing pond, but I think that Irene's rain has exacerbated it. I don't think that it was ever clear water, now it's dirty water, and now it is brown and it is higher and bigger. I guess my concern would be for the public at this point, because worse case scenario would be a child or anybody walking by falls in. You may want to look at this.

Supervisor Wormuth said that we have had the DEC and the Army Corps of Engineers down there. We have had our engineers down there and our Storm Water Management Team has been there with our Town planners. The area that is muddy is not coming from the construction site. They cannot tell if it is a naturally fed spring from the bottom of the pond. They could not find the intake of that pond. If you walk the circumference of the pond, you can clearly see there is a differentiated area from where the construction site is and where there is very clean grass. It is not running that way that is not how the silt got into the pond. We don't have an explanation yet, but we are exploring it. The day before the storm, the Project Manager was down there putting up extra silt fences. We were there the day after and the silt fences were all still in place.

Deanna Stephenson asked if any thought as to what, maybe because it is so close to the road, I guess that is my concern, maybe putting a barrier up.

Supervisor Wormuth stated that we can look into and see exactly who's property it falls on and maybe get some temporary safety fencing and see if recedes as it is dries out a little bit.

Deanna Stephenson thanked Supervisor Wormuth.

There being no further business to discuss or resolve, on motion by Councilman Polak and seconded by Councilman Hayner the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Lynda A. Bryan,
Town Clerk**

