

The April 7, 2010 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, 2 Halfmoon Town Plaza with the following members present:

Melinda A. Wormuth, Supervisor
Walter F. Polak, Councilman
Regina C. Parker, Councilwoman
Paul L. Hotaling, Councilman
Craig A. Hayner, Councilman
Mary J. Pearson, Town Clerk
Lyn A. Murphy, Town Attorney

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

REPORTS OF BOARD MEMBERS AND TOWN ATTORNEY

Councilman Polak reported on the Transfer Station Spring Clean Up dates, April 13,16,17, 20, 23 and 24, open the regular hours and it is for household waste.

He stated he wants to make sure everybody realizes that even though the Highway department is going on their summer hours they do have coverage at the garage on Fridays to attend to anything that may occur.

Supervisor Wormuth stated they very much appreciate Superintendent Pingelski making sure the department is covered and services available on Friday's.

Councilman Hotaling reported that on April 16th from 4 to 6:30 pm the Halfmoon Historical Society will be holding an open house and ribbon cutting in their new building and everybody is invited.

Councilman Parker reported she recently had a resident call her who had not received the census information and she called the bureau and has their number. She stated it is critical to receive the monies entitled to us from the Federal government and stated the number in Glens Falls is 518-824-2520 and it is really important.

Councilman Hayner reported that the fourth annual Crescent Clean Sweep will be on Saturday April 17, from 10-11:30 am; they will have gloves and bags and they are looking for volunteers to help clean up the riverside.

Supervisor Wormuth stated she wants to update the public and the Board that we are on Troy water right now due to the PCB exceedences in the river. She stated they continue to work with both EPA and GE to encourage them to be responsible and look at changing their testing protocol and also paying for the increased cost of water due to the fluctuations and what we feel is a lack of accurate reporting information from both EPA and GE. She stated we are planning on remaining on Troy water for the foreseeable future.

Supervisor Wormuth opened public privilege for discussion of agenda topics.

Mr. Patenaude, 64 Upper Newtown Road, stated the history of Town of Halfmoon water and he told the previous Supervisor we would be better off with an overall water treatment facility and if there was a failure before anyone can pick up a telephone we would be drinking the water and it would be raw sewage. He stated it will soon be up to 50 million gallons a day and it would be hard to disperse that in a river in the wintertime with almost zero flow. He stated Sacandaga has a responsibility to hold back water to be sure that the hydroelectric plants have adequate water supply year round. He stated there are times in the winter or during a dry season when the riverside plant in Stillwater at Lock 4 holds back the water sometimes for three days and there is zero flow into the Hudson River except for the creek. He stated that means the only water floating down the channel is sewage water from the waste treatment plant. He stated they have the ability to remove all of the debris from Saratoga County however, his concern is that they can't remove all the pharmaceuticals and certain trace chemicals of heavy metals. He stated we depend on activated carbon filter to take out carbon levels. He stated in his house the chlorine levels are too much and for young babies and children and the schools these elements and chemicals accumulate and build up in body. He stated he

had previous conversations with Mindy and she assured him we are on Troy water and we will stay on that. He stated if the EPA or GE will provide adequate and timely information that would allow us to continue to have clear, safe drinking water. He stated because the infrastructure is in place the State of New York, General Electric and the EPA have paid for it would be well for this Town Board to consider a long term contract with Troy and all they have to do is negotiate a contract that assures the Town of Halfmoon safe drinking water.

Mr. Patenaude stated he has been to the waste treatment plant and they own property adjacent to it and they run a fine operation and do a good job and they want to complete the loop so we could all put our waste in the same pool and not have to depend on septic tanks. He stated he is sure they are going to do the right thing because it is a beautiful with nice parks, nice walking paths, nice roads and nice people on the Town Board and thanks them very much for the good job they are doing.

Supervisor Wormuth stated an update on the sewer is that currently Saratoga County Sewer District has undertaken a study of the feasibility of the Route 4 & 32 trunk line and they will definitely look at that.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS- month of March

1. Town Justice Wormuth

Total cases - 427 Total fees remitted to the Supervisor -\$53,208
Filed.

2. Building

Total permits- 60 Total fees remitted to the Supervisor \$14,425.52
Filed.

3. Fire Code

Total permits- 22 Total fees remitted to the Supervisor -\$ 1, 035.
Filed.

4. Town Justice Tollisen

Total cases - 441 Total fees remitted to the Supervisor -\$50,186
Filed.

5. Town Clerk

Total fees remitted to the Supervisor -\$3,564.24
Filed.

6. Senior Express

Total # of Riders - 319 Total # of Meals - 375
Filed.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Received from State of New York Department of State notification of receipt and filing of Local Law #2-2009, Glen Meadows PDD and Local Law #3-2009, Swatling Falls PDD.

Received & Filed.

2. Received from Town Planning Board resolutions approving the following: Addition to commercial site plan at J & S Watkins Plaza; Sign application for Casale's Rent All; Palma minor subdivision; Provident Development commercial site plan; Change of tenant at 1427 Route 9, Marc's Plumbing & Heating; Sign application for One Hour Heating & Air Conditioning; Change of tenant at Towne Center Plaza; In-home occupation & sign application at 158 Woodin Road; United Rental addition to commercial site plan at 1 Rexford Way; Sign application for Hayner's Ice Cream; Change of use at Wal-Mart for seasonal sales; Change of use at Home Depot for seasonal sales.

Received & Filed.

3. Received from Town Highway Superintendent notification of department change to summer hours: Monday-Thursday 6 am to 4 pm, effective April 12th.

Received & Filed & Print to post

4. Received Town of Halfmoon Annual Financial Report for fiscal year ending December 31, 2009.
Received & Filed.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION NO. 77

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves and orders paid all vouchers for all funds listed on Abstract dated April 7, 2010, totaling \$931,842.55.

RESOLUTION NO. 78

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes letting bids for Water Meters, American Made Brass Fittings & Mueller Brass for the Water Department proposed to be opened April 21st at 7:00 pm.

Supervisor Wormuth clarified the next item stating we do have another employee named Frank Brammer who works in the water department and this is his son.

RESOLUTION NO. 79

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board appoints Frank Brammer as seasonal Parks department laborer for 2010 at the hourly rate of \$8.55 effective immediately.

RESOLUTION NO. 80

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves the April 2010 Water Report for water usage as submitted by the Director of Water.

RESOLUTION NO. 81

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

WHEREAS, the Capital District Transportation Authority (CDTA) sponsored the Capital Region Bike Rack Program, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Halfmoon submitted an application for inclusion in the Program, and

WHEREAS, the CDTA granted the Town's application for Bike Racks to be located at the new Town Park, Crescent Park and Halfmoon Town Hall,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board accepts the Bike Racks from the CDTA to be installed at the new Town Park, Crescent Park and Halfmoon Town Hall.

Supervisor Wormuth stated she thanks our Grants department and this was one of the quickest grants we have ever turned around as far as filing for it, receiving it and the bike racks will be installed and thanks them for all their hard work.

RESOLUTION NO. 82

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to make the following 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 Revenues25-510 \$268
Subsidiary: 25-4-2189 Home & Community Services \$268
Credit: Appropriations 25-960 \$268
Subsidiary: 25-5-1440.40 Engineering Contractors Inspections \$268

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

NAME	AMOUNT
Linden Village	\$268.00
TOTAL	\$268.00

The following creation of appropriations is needed in the Highway Fund based on money received for Insurance Recovery. This creation is for the repairs to the highway trucks that were damaged.

DEBIT: Estimated Revenues20-510 \$7,978.20
Subsidiary: 20-4-2680 – Insurance Recovery - \$7,978.20
CREDIT: Appropriations 20-960 \$7,978.20
Subsidiary: 20-5-5130.40 – Machinery Contractual - \$7,978.20

Transfers between Appropriations:

From Account	To Account	Amount	Reason
10-5-8160.40 Transfer Station Contractual	10-5-8160.20 Transfer Station Equipment	\$750	Transfer of appropriations within own budget to cover purchase of a scale
10-5-7150.40 Spec. Fac.-Trails Contractual	10-5-7150.20 Spec. Fac. Trails Equipment	\$164	Transfer of appropriations within own budget to cover purchase of bike racks along with grant from CDTA
10-5-7110.40 Parks Contractual	10-5-7110.20 Parks Equipment	\$1,265	Transfer of appropriations within own budget to cover purchase of Utility vehicles

Supervisor Wormuth opened public privilege for discussion of non-agenda items; no one had questions or comments.

There being no further business to discuss or resolve, on motion by Councilman Hotaling seconded by Councilwoman Parker the meeting was adjourned at 7:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary J. Pearson
Town Clerk

4/7/2010