

Regular Meeting

The Regular Meeting of the Ephratah Town Board was held 6 PM
December 8, 2010 at the Ephratah Town Hall.
Roll Call found the following people present:

Supervisor	Todd Bradt
Councilman	Ivan Duesler
Councilman	George Cosselman
Councilman	Thomas Miles
Councilman	Andrew Chorlton
Clerk	Eleanor Smith
Hwy Superintendent	James Berry--Absent
Code Enforcement Officer	David Rackmyre, Jr.-- Absent
Attorney	Michael Albanese

The meeting was opened with Salute to the Flag led by Supervisor Todd Bradt.

Ivan Duesler made a motion to accept the minutes from November 10, 2010. 2nd
by George Cosselman. 5 Ayes. Carried.

George Cosselman made a motion to pay General bills, Abstract 12, Claim # 156
thru # 167 for the amount of \$ 5,521.17. 2nd by Thomas Miles. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Ivan Duesler made a motion to pay Highway bills, Abstract 12, Claim # 210 thru #
225 for the amount of \$ 23,479.45. 2nd by Andy Chorlton. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Communication:

- The Transfer Station will be closed Saturday, 12/25/2010 and 01/01/2011. It will be opened on Friday, 12/24/2010 and 12/31/2010.
- Department of Environmental Conservation inspected the mine in Ephratah with the results of everything satisfactory condition.

Public Input: No one spoke.

Supervisor Bradt opened the Public Hearing at 6:15 p.m. on the Ephratah Volunteer Fire Dept contract for 5 years.

Reports:

Code Enforcement: A report was submitted for review.

Planning Board: A report was submitted for review.

Highway Superintendent: The new trailer has arrived. Jim out plowing roads.

Youth: The Christmas Party is 12/18/2010 at the Recreation building at 4 p.m.

Assessor: A report was submitted for review.

Supervisor: A report was submitted for review.

Historian: No report.

New Business:

Resolution 75 passed last month regarding "Smoking in Town Owned Buildings" is to be written by Mike Albanese so that the Resolution can go in the Code books.

Resolution 79

Thomas Miles offered Resolution 79 to adopt the rules presented to the Town Board as the By-laws to govern the Planning Board's activities. 2nd by Andy Chorlton. 5 Ayes. Carried.

The Cemetery on Gray Road (Coppernoll Cemetery) has been attended to by a neighbor for years. Since age has progressed with John Kinechel, he feels he is unable to attend to the cemetery and has asked the Town to add it to the list of cemeteries to be mowed by the Town.

Resolution 80

Ivan Duesler offered Resolution 80 to add the Coppernoll Cemetery, on the Gray Road, to the list of Cemeteries to be mowed by the Town, with compensation. 2nd by George Cosselman. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 81

Thomas Miles offered Resolution 81 to re-appoint Chris Pedro to the Planning Board for the seven year term. Term to be 01/01/2011 to 12/31/2017. 2nd by Andy Chorlton. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 82

Ivan Duesler offered Resolution 82 to re-appoint Nicole Overacker to the Recreation Commission for the 5 year term. Term to be 01/01/2011 to 12/31/2015. 2nd by George Cosselman. 5 Ayes. Carried.

The date for the Organizational Meeting will be January 1, 2011 at 9:00 a.m.

Resolution 83

Ivan Duesler offered Resolution 83 authorizing Supervisor Bradt to reimburse Lita Hillier for the Laptop purchase and envelope purchase for the amount of \$ 210.48. 2nd by George Cosselman. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 84

Thomas Miles offered Resolution 84 authorizing Supervisor Bradt to pay the year-end bills as they come in. 2nd by George Cosselman. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Unfinished Business:**Resolution 85**

Ivan Duesler offered Resolution 85 authorizing a Public Hearing to be held on January 12, 2011 at 6:15 p.m. for Mass Gathering Law # 1 of 2011. The Public Hearing is to be publicized in the Leader Herald. 2nd by Andy Chorlton. 5 Ayes. Carried.

At 6:25 p.m. the Public Hearing for the Ephratah Volunteer Fire Department Contract was closed.

Resolution 86

Thomas Miles offered Resolution 86 authorizing Supervisor Bradt to enter into a five (5) year contract with the Ephratah Volunteer Fire Department. The payment schedule is to be as follows:

- 2011 Year \$51,500 – no increase
- 2012 Year \$52,000 -- \$500 increase
- 2013 Year \$52,500 -- \$500 increase
- 2014 Year \$53,000 -- \$500 increase
- 2015 Year \$53,500 -- \$500 increase

2nd by George Cosselman. 4 Ayes, 1 Abstention (Ivan Duesler). Carried.

Because of a mistake made in printing the Transfer Stickers, the expiration date was printed as December 31, 2012 instead of 2011, the stickers are being sold for a 2 year period at a charge of \$6.00.

George Cosselman made a motion to adjourn. 2nd by Thomas Miles. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Time: 6:33 p.m.

Eleanor Smith
Clerk