

Organizational Meeting

The Organizational Meeting of the Ephratah Town Board was held 9 A.M. on January 1, 2011 at the Ephratah Town Hall.

Roll Call found the following members present:

Supervisor	Todd Bradt
Councilman	Ivan Duesler -- Absent
Councilman	George Cosselman
Councilman	Thomas Miles
Councilman	Andrew Chorlton
Clerk	Eleanor Smith

The meeting was opened with the salute to the flag led by Supervisor Todd Bradt.

Resolution 1

Andy Chorlton offered Resolution 1 to set the official meeting day as the 2nd Wednesday of each month; Time to be set at 6 p.m. and place is Ephratah Town Hall. 2nd by Thomas Miles. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 2

Andy Chorlton offered Resolution 2 to designate the Leader Herald as the official newspaper and NBT Bank as the official depository. 2nd by _George Cosselman. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 3

Thomas Miles offered Resolution 3 to set the wages of the Town Highway Employees as per the 2011 labor contract. 2nd by Todd Bradt. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 4

Andy Chorlton offered Resolution 4 to set the wages of the Town Officials as per 2011 Budget. 2nd by George Cosselman. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 5

Thomas Miles offered Resolution 5 to set the wages of the Assessment Board of Review @ \$50.00 for grievance day; \$7.15 p/hour for attending school and \$7.15 p/hour for working beyond grievance day. 2nd by Andy Chorlton. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 6

George Cosselman offered Resolution 6 to appoint Michael Albanese as the Town Attorney with the salary of \$9,000.00. 2nd by Thomas Miles. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 7

Thomas Miles offered Resolution 7 to set the official town mileage at \$.45 p/mile. 2nd by Todd Bradt. 4 Ayes. Carried.

George Cosselman made a motion to add to Resolution 8 the Code Enforcement Officer must attend at least 1 (one) Town Board meeting per quarter for the full year. 2nd by Andy Chorlton. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 8

George Cosselman offered Resolution 8 to appoint David Rackmyre, Jr as Code Enforcement Officer at a salary of \$7,700; having set hours and must attend at least 1 (one) Town Board meeting per quarter for the full year of 2011. 2nd by Andy Chorlton. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 9

Thomas Miles offered Resolution 9 to appoint Penelope Smith as Chairperson of the Assessors. 2nd by Todd Bradt. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 10

Andy Chorlton offered Resolution 10 authorizing Supervisor Bradt to appoint Evelyn Frasier as the Town Historian at a salary of \$500 for the 2011 year. 2nd by George Cosselman. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 11

Andy Chorlton offered Resolution 11 to appoint Daniel Robinson as Dog Control Officer with salary of \$2,300.00; enumerations to be \$1,000.00 when handed in to Clerk and mileage set at \$.45 per/mile. 2nd by Todd Bradt. 3 Ayes, 1 Nay. Carried.

Resolution 12

Andy Chorlton offered Resolution 12 to authorize the Dog Control Officer to appoint a deputy, with no salary. Deputy to be Linda Robinson. 2nd by Todd Bradt. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 13

Thomas Miles offered Resolution 13 to appoint Eleanor Smith as Registrar of Vital Statistics with salary to be fee collected. 2nd by George Cosselman. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 14

Andy Chorlton offered Resolution 14 to authorize Registrar to appoint a deputy, which will be Deborah Hofmann and /or Cynthia Wesselmann. 2nd by George Cosselman. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 15

Andy Chorlton offered Resolution 15 to authorize Town Clerk to appoint a deputy with salary at \$10.00 per/hour; per diem. Deputy to be Deborah Hofmann and/or Cynthia Wesselmann. 2nd by George Cosselman. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 16

Thomas Miles offered Resolution 16 to authorize Supervisor Todd Bradt to appoint Ivan Duesler as Deputy Supervisor with salary of \$600 for 2011 year. 2nd by George Cosselman. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 17

Andy Chorlton offered Resolution 17 to authorize Superintendent of Highways to appoint Alan Cretser as his deputy with salary of \$1,000 for 2011 year. 2nd by Todd Bradt. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 18

George Cosselman offered Resolution 18 to authorize Tax Collector to appoint a deputy with a salary of \$10. per/hour, per diem, not to exceed \$200 for the 2011 year. Deputy to be _____. 2nd by Andy Chorlton. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 19

Thomas Miles offered Resolution 19 authorizing Supervisor Bradt to appoint Lita Hillier as Budget Officer with a salary of \$3,205.00 and designate Lita Hillier as Bookkeeper for 2011 with a salary of \$3,314.00. 2nd by George Cosselman. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 20

George Cosselman offered Resolution 20 to authorize the 2 Town Justices to employ a stenographer in the event of a court trial. 2nd by Andy Chorlton. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 21

Thomas Miles offered Resolution 21 to authorize the Supervisor to pay all salaries monthly except Superintendent of Highways and town employees, which are to be paid weekly. 2nd by George Cosselman. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 22

Andy Chorlton offered Resolution 22 to authorize the Supervisor to invest surplus monies in GMMA or CD's. 2nd by Thoams Miles. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 23

George Cosselman offered Resolution 23 to appoint Kellie Pinney, Mang Insurance, as Broker for MVP and Blue Shield. 2nd by Todd Bradt. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 24

Thomas Miles offered Resolution 24 to enter into a memo of understanding with NYS Dept of Environmental Conservation. 2nd by George Cosselman. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 25

Andy Chorlton offered Resolution 25 to authorize payment in advance of audit of claims for public utilities services including telephone & electric lights, and to purchase postage. All such claims shall be presented at the next regular meeting. 2nd by George Cosselman. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 26

Andy Chorlton offered Resolution 26 to appoint Todd Bradt as voting delegate to the Association of Towns Meeting in NYC. 2nd by George Cosselman. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 27

Thoams Miles offered Resolution 27 to designate all claims to be filed on monthly abstracts are to be submitted no later than 6 p.m. the Tuesday before the Town Board meeting, with the exception of emergency purposes. 2nd by Andy Chorlton. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 28

George Cosselman offered Resolution 28 to create a petty cash fund for the Tax Collector for the amount of \$50, to make change only. 2nd by Thoams Miles. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 29

Andy Chorlton offered Resolution 29 to create a petty cash fund for the Town Clerk for the amount of \$200. 2nd by George Cosselman. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 30

George Cosselman offered Resolution 30 to appoint, at a later date, a Health Officer for 2011 with a salary of \$590. 2nd by Todd Bradt. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 31

Thomas Miles offered Resolution 31 to authorize the necessary 2010 year-end budget transfers to close the books:

To: A1220.2 – Supervisor E.Q.	\$ 157.98	
From: A1220.4 – Supervisor C.E.		\$ 157.98
To: A1355.4 – Assessor C.E.	\$ 118.33	
From: A1990.4 – Contingent		\$ 118.33
To: A1410.11 – Deputy Town Clerk C.E.	\$ 400.00	
From: A1990.4 – Contingent		\$ 400.00

To: A3520.4 – Humane Contract	\$ 100.00	
From: A1990.4 – Contingent		\$ 100.00
To: A5010.4 – Hwy Supt C.E.	\$ 69.96	
From: A1990.4 – Contingent		\$ 69.96
To: A6410.4 – Publicity	\$ 3.57	
From: A1990.4 – Contingent		\$ 3.57
To: A8010.4 – Planning C.E.	\$ 208.45	
From: A1990.4 – Contingent		\$ 208.45
To: A9010.8 – Retirement	\$1,293.75	
From: A1990.4 – Contingent		\$1,293.75
To: DA5110.1 – General Repairs P.S.	\$5,154.77	
From: DA5142.1 – Snow Removal P.S.		\$5,154.77
To: DA5110.41 – Drug Testing	\$ 18.60	
From: DA9089.8 – Uniforms		\$ 18.60
To: DA9060.8 – Health Ins.	\$9,567.93	
From: DA5142.1 – Snow Removal P.S.		\$9,567.93
To: DA5130.2 – Machinery E.Q.	\$14,000.00	
From: DA9901.9 – Transfer to Other Funds		\$14,000.00

2nd by George Cosselman. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 32

George Cosselman offered Resolution 32 to amend the 2010 Highway Fund Budget to raise revenues and appropriations to use Capital Reserve monies toward equipment purchase as follows:

DA510 – Estimated Revenues	\$64,607.14	
(DA5031 – Transfer from Other Funds)		
DA960 – Appropriations		\$64,607.14
(DA5130.2 – Machinery E.Q.)		

2nd by Todd Bradt. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 33

Andy Chorlton offered Resolution 33 authorizing Jim Berry, Superintendent of Highways to designate the following roads as Seasonal Limited Use Highways under Section 205-a of the Highway Law effective immediately for December, 2010:

- Jinkes Hollow
- Arthurs Road
- East Road, from Tom Shears to the Town of Ephratah town line
- Green Street, between Sam's camp and Lansburg's
- Howard Road
- Irish Settlement Road, starting after the first camp at a point approximately 200 feet South from the most Northern entrance of County Hwy 119.
- Swamp Road
- Tillboro Road, From Charles Lyons west to Kringsbush Road
- Turn Hill Road, from State Hwy 10 South to Joe Kurts

- Gottung Road
- Fical Corners West, from Larry Dwight's west to the Town of Ephratah town line

2nd by Thomas Miles. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 34

Thomas Miles offered Resolution 34 to pay the Highway bills, Abstract 13 of 2010 for the amount of \$10,286.61. 2nd by George Cosselman. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 35

Thomas Miles offered Resolution 35 to pay General bills, Abstract 13 of 2010 for the amount of \$6,856.39. 2nd by Andy Chorlton. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Andy Chorlton made a motion to adjourn. 2nd by George Cosselman. 4Ayes. Carried.

Time: 9:55 AM

Eleanor Smith
Clerk