

## Regular Meeting

The Regular Meeting of the Ephratah Town Board was held 6 PM  
June 8, 2011 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
Code Enforcement Officer	David Rackmyre, Jr.
Attorney	Michael Albanese --Absent

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

Ivan Duesler made a motion to accept the minutes from May 11, 2010 Regular Meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Thomas Miles. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Ivan Duesler made a motion to pay General bills, Abstract 6, Claim # 111 thru 127 for the amount of \$ 4,806.64. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Andy Chorlton. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Thomas Miles made a motion to pay Highway bills, Abstract 6, Claim # 141 thru 160 for the amount of \$ 10,623.02. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ivan Duesler. 5 Ayes. Carried.

**Communication:** The Transfer Station will be closed July 4, 2011 and opened July 5, 2011 in observance of Independence Day. The Department of Solid Waste has several specialized disposal programs. They are as follows:

- Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off Day----8/13/2011 – 7am–12pm.
- Pharmaceutical Drop-Off Day----8/13/2011 –
- The Latex Paint Exchange----every Saturday – 6/4/11 – 8/27/11 – 7:15am-11:30am
- The Electronics Drop-Off—6 days a week – 7:15am – 3pm weekdays and 7:15am—11:30am on Saturday
- Fluorescent Light Bulbs----6 days a week – 7:15am – 3pm weekdays and 7:15am—11:30am on Saturday

Local Law 1 and 2 of 2011 have been filed with the State on May 13, 2011. The Laws are now in effect.

**Public Input:** None

At 6:15 Supervisor Bradt opened the Public Hearing on Local Law 3 entitled “Amendment To Stop Intersections”.

### **Reports:**

Code Enforcement Officer: Report submitted for review.

- Four new permits were issued.
- One Certificate of Completion
- Eight Violation Notices sent

David Rackmyre has researched the codes and found they need to be updated. He has also researched state and local laws to find whether a permit is needed for a landowner to be able to clear land without a permit. The landowner does not need a permit to clear land but no construction can take place without a permit.

Planning Board: no report. Their meeting will take place on 6/13/2011.

Highway Superintendent: Roads are ready for blacktop. The Highway Crew is working on the Old State Road. Jim met with the engineering firm to find out what is needed for the road. Core samples have been done on the Old State Road. They checked the culvert and bridge on Old State Rd and will look into what further needs to be done.

Jim has been working with MSHA (Mine, Safety and Health Administration) regarding the "Pit". First Aid and CPR must be offered to all Highway Staff, until then, the "pit" cannot be opened.

Jim asked permission from the Board to gather information on a plow truck. The '89 International Plow Truck needs to be updated.

Youth: The teams and coaches have been chosen for softball. The first opening day is July 9, 2011. The Walking Path is being constructed.

Assessors: Report submitted. There was a total of 17 grievances on Grievance Day. The Assessors were notified by ORPS to delete 4 State owned parcels totaling \$203,120 in assessed value.

Supervisor: Report submitted for review.

Historian: No Report. July 9, 2011 at 10 a.m. will be the placement of the Historical sign at Saltsman's Hotel in Ephratah.

Andy Chorlton made a motion to close the Public Hearing on Local Law 3 entitled "Amendment To Stop Intersections". 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ivan Duesler. 5 Ayes. Carried.

### **Resolution 66**

Andy Chorlton made a motion to adopt Local Law 3 entitled "Amendment To Stop Intersections". 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ivan Duesler. 5 Ayes. Carried.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADOPTION BY  
**EPHRATAH TOWN BOARD**  
OF LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF 2011 entitled  
"AMENDMENT TO STOP INTERSECTIONS"

WHEREAS, a resolution was duly adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Ephratah for a public hearing to be held by said Town Board on June 8, 2011 at 6:15 p.m. at Ephratah Town Hall to hear all interested parties on a proposed Local Law entitled, "Amendment To Stop Intersections;" and

WHEREAS, notice of said public hearing was duly advertised in the official newspaper of the Town of Ephratah; and

WHEREAS, said public hearing was duly held on June 8, 2011 at 6:15 p.m. at Town Hall and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of or in opposition of said Proposed Local Law, or any part thereof; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Ephratah, after due deliberation, finds it in the best interest of the Town to adopt said Local Law; and

WHEREAS, based upon the recommendation of the Town of Ephratah Highway Superintendent that the Stop Sign located on Old State Road be moved to the intersection of Murray Hill Road and Old State Road; and

WHEREAS, based upon the safety considerations and the recommendation of the Town of Ephratah Highway Superintendent, the Ephratah Town Board now desires to move said Stop Sign from Old State Road to the intersection of Murray Hill Road and Old State Road,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Town Board of the Town of Ephratah hereby adopts said Local Law No. 3 of 2011 entitled “Amendment To Stop Intersections,” a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part of this resolution, be it further

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Clerk be and she hereby is directed to enter said Local Law in the minutes of this meeting and in the Local Law Book of the Town of Ephratah, and to give due notice of the adoption of said local law to the Secretary of the State of New York.

AYE: 5

Nay: 0

Introduced: May 11, 2011

Made by Andrew Chorlton; Seconded by Ivan Duesler

Approved: Carried

	ABSENT	AYE	NAY
Supervisor Todd Bradt	<input type="checkbox"/>	X	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Thomas Miles	<input type="checkbox"/>	X	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Andrew Chorlton	<input type="checkbox"/>	X	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman George Cosselman	<input type="checkbox"/>	X	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Ivan Duesler	<input type="checkbox"/>	X	<input type="checkbox"/>

**AMENDMENT TO STOP INTERSECTIONS**

Local Law Number 3 of 2011

**Section 2-1. Purpose.**

**Section 2-2. Amendment to Previous Law.**

**Section 2-3. Effective Date.**

**AMENDMENT TO STOP INTERSECTIONS**

Local Law Number 3 of 2011

**Section 2-1 Purpose.**

The Town Board of the Town of Ephratah finds that based upon safety considerations and the recommendation of the Town of Ephratah Highway Superintendent that the Town Board of the Town of Ephratah now desires to move the Stop Sign located on Old State Road to the intersection of Murray Hill Road and Old State Road.

**Section 2-2 Amendment to Previous Law.**

Local Law No. 3 of 2011 constitutes an amendment of Chapter 140, Article V, Section 140-11 of the Code of the Town of Ephratah, which establishes “Stop Intersections,” changing the location of the Stop Sign on Old State Road to the intersection of Murray Hill Road and Old State Road when travelling in a Northern direction on Murray Hill.

**Section 2-3 Effective Date.**

This Local Law shall be effective June 8, 2011 after filing with the Secretary of State.

## **New Business:**

### **Resolution 67**

Thomas Miles offered Resolution 67 to accept the resignation of Councilman Ivan Duesler, effective June 8, 2011, due to retirement. 2<sup>nd</sup> by George Cosselman. 4 Ayes. Carried.

### **Resolution 68**

Andy Chorlton offered Resolution 68 to Re-Appoint Ivan Duesler as Councilman to the Ephratah Town Board, effective June 9, 2011 until December 31, 2011 with a salary of \$1,125.00. 2<sup>nd</sup> by George Cosselman. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Supervisor Bradt received a letter from the Office of the Sheriff's Dept, Fulton County, stating all tickets that are being generated by the patrols are electronically transmitted (ETICKETS). Ephratah Court is the only one in the County not on the system. They would like this to happen soon so they may cease delivering tickets to the court.

Supervisor Bradt received a letter from Mary Beth Bianconi, Senior Project Manager for the CG Roxane Spring Water Project, stating they have transferred the files to another engineering firm, being, CT Male.

### **Resolution 69**

Andrew Chorlton offered Resolution 69 giving permission for Supervisor Todd Bradt to sign for an Economic Development Block Grant for \$750,000 for the CG Roxane Spring Water Project. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Thomas Miles. 4 Ayes. Carried.

### **Unfinished Business**

Jim Berry provided approximate costs for several of the Planning Board signs. The information will be given to the Planning Board for their decision.

George Cosselman made a motion to adjourn. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Thomas Miles. 4 Ayes. Carried.

Time: 6:47 P.M.

Eleanor M Smith  
Clerk