

## Regular Meeting

The Regular Meeting of the Ephratah Town Board was held 6 PM January 11, 2012 at the Ephratah Town Hall.  
Roll Call found the following people present:

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| 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    |

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

Thomas Miles made a motion to accept the minutes from December 14, 2011 Regular meeting and the Organizational meeting of January 2, 2012 with correction of the minimum wage to be \$7.25 in Resolution #5. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ivan Duesler. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Ivan Duesler made a motion to pay General bills, Abstract 1, Claim # 1 thru 15 for the amount of \$ 5,932.19. 2<sup>nd</sup> by George Cosselman. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Thomas Miles made a motion to pay Highway bills, Abstract 1, Claim # 1 thru 14 for the amount of \$ 11,099.50. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ivan Duesler. 5 Ayes. Carried.

**Communication:** The Transfer Station will be closed Monday, January 16, 2012 and open on Tuesday, January 17, 2012 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Public Input:** Barbara Kravec requested the sign in front of the building be updated regularly with the Planning Board meetings, Town Board meetings, Rabies Clinics, and recreation activities.

### **Reports:**

Code Enforcement Officer: The report was submitted for review.

- Violations (25) sent for one property site
- David has completed annual mandated training for Certification as a NYS Certified CEO

Planning Board: The Planning Board placed a notice in the Leader Herald for the vacancy on the board. The board nominated Officers for 2012 as follows:

- Chairperson: Eric Sweeney
- Vice-Chairperson: Daniel Richardson
- Secretary: Joyce Taggart

A subcommittee was formed to help promote awareness of the Town of Ephratah, consisting of Joyce Taggart and Rose Woolley.

Highway Superintendent: The International Truck has been ordered. The Highway crew has been cutting brush on several roads. Jim inquired about the law books for the Highway Dept. and found he would be able to get them either at a special rate of approximately \$190 or at regular rate of \$270.

**Resolution 38**

Ivan Duesler offered Resolution 38 authorizing James Berry to order the law books for the Highway Department, either at a special rate of \$190 or at the regular rate of \$270. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Andrew Chorlton. 5 Ayes. Carried.

**Youth:** No Report.

**Assessors:** Report submitted for review.

**Supervisor:** No Report.

**Historian:** No Report.

**New Business:**

**Resolution 39**

Thomas Miles offered Resolution 39 granting permission for the Planning Board to appoint Nancy Christman, 604 New Turnpike Rd., Fort Plain, NY 13339, as an alternate on the board. 2<sup>nd</sup> by George Cosselman. 5 Ayes. Carried.

**Resolution 40**

Andrew Chorlton offered Resolution 40 to accept the Officers of the Planning Board as follows:

- Chairperson: Eric Sweeney
- Vice-Chairperson: Daniel Richardson
- Secretary: Joyce Taggart

2<sup>nd</sup> by Ivan Duesler. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Supervisor Bradt gave “Thanks” to the Planning Board for the hard work they have been doing.

**Resolution 41**

Ivan Duesler offered Resolution 41 to accept the proposal for DOT drug and alcohol testing services from Energetix Corporation. 2<sup>nd</sup> by George Cosselman. 5 Ayes. Carried.

**Unfinished Business**

An Advertisement was placed in the Leader Herald for A Code Enforcement Officer, only one response was received from Garth Livermore, Frankfort, NY.

**Resolution 42**

Ivan Duesler offered Resolution 42 to appoint David Rackmyre, Jr as Code Enforcement Officer at a salary of \$7,058.34 for February, 2012 thru December, 2012; having set hours and must attend at least 1 (one) Town Board meeting per quarter for the full year of 2012. 2<sup>nd</sup> by George Cosselman. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Ivan Duesler made a motion to adjourn. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Thomas Miles. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Time: 6:25 P.M.

Eleanor Smith