Regular Meeting

The Regular Meeting of the Ephratah Town Board was held 6 PM March 13, 2013 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.--Absent

Attorney Michael Albanese

The meeting was opened with Salute to the Flag led by Supervisor Todd Bradt. Ethan Cretser, Johnstown High School Student from the P.I.G.S. class, was welcomed by Supervisor Bradt

Ivan Duesler made a motion to accept the minutes from February 13, 2013 Regular meeting. 2nd by George Cosselman. 5 Ayes. Carried.

George Cosselman made a motion to pay General bills, Abstract 3, Claim # 42 thru 58 for the amount of \$ 7,000.98. 2nd by Ivan Duesler. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Thomas Miles made a motion to pay Highway bills, Abstract 3, Claim # 36 thru 55 for the amount of \$18,744.05. 2nd by Ivan Duesler. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Communication: Senator Kathy Marchione sent a Thank You letter for the support against the Safe Act Law.

Public Input: None

At 6:15 P.M. the sealed Asphalt bids were opened, they were as follows:

1. DelSignore Blacktop Paving, Inc \$65,807.51

42 Brick Church Rd Troy, NY 12180

2. Hanson Aggregates \$79,888.25

PO Box 513

Jamesville, NY 13078

3. Cobleskill Stone Products Inc \$78,372.50

PO Box 220, Bamerville Rd

Cobleskill, NY 12043

4. Callanan Industries, Inc \$80,440.50

PO Box 15097

Albany, NY 12212

Ivan Duesler made a motion to table the decision until next month. 2nd by Thomas Miles. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Reports:

Code Enforcer: Report submitted for review.

• Approval of Tennis's subdivision

• Court held for property on Rte 67. It was agreed to give owner until May 2, 2013 to clean property completely or fines and possible jail time will be enforced.

Planning Board:

- Resignation of Joyce Taggart as a member
- Appoint Rosalyn Wood as a member in Joyce's position
- Appoint John Tennis as an Alternate
- Amend Planning Board By-Laws to change meeting day from Tuesday to Monday before the Town Board Meeting.

<u>Highway Superintendent:</u> working on roads and cutting trees

<u>Youth:</u> March 23, 2013 at 2 P.M. will be the Easter Egg Hunt and at 2:30 the Easter Bunny will arrive.

Youth is in need of Coaches for softball.

Assessors: Submitted report for review.

- All STAR applications have been returned and being processed
- Reviewing all properties from data collection
- Processing the values for state owned land to be turned in to Real Properties before April 11, 2013
- Received the list of tentative special franchise values resulting in a \$103,229 loss of assessed value to the Town of Ephratah,

<u>Supervisor:</u> Submitted report for review.

<u>Historian:</u> June Frasier found records of bodies that have been dug up from a cemetery in Lassellsville and placed in Ephratah Cemetery. The Stones of these remains were never transported with the remains to the Ephratah Cemetery. There are no records of anyone buried at the Dempster Cemetery.

Comprehensive Planning Board Meeting will be held March 18, 2013 at 6 P.M.

Resolution 52

Thomas Miles offered Resolutin 52 to accept with regret Nikki Overracker's resignation from Recreation. 2nd by Andy Chorlton. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 53

Ivan Duesler offered Resolution 53 to accept with regret Joyce Taggart's resignation from the Planning Board. 2nd by George Cosselman. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 54

George Cosselman offered Resolution 54 to accept the appointment of Rosalyn Wood as a member of the Planning Board, term to end December, 2019. 2nd by Thomas Miles. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 55

Ivan Duesler offered Resolution 55 to accept the appointment of John Tennis to the Planning Board as an Alternate. 2nd by Thomas Miles. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Resolution 56

George Cosselman offered Resolution 56 to amend Section 1.2 Regular Meeting from the Planning Board by-laws. The section shall read: "Regular meetings of the Planning Board shall be held in the Town Hall at 6:00 P.M. on the *Monday* preceding the Town Board meeting every month." 2nd by Ivan Duesler. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Public Input: Tom Oughton wanted to compliment the Highway Department for doing a great job on the roads during the bad weather.

Ivan Duesler made a motion to adjourn. 2nd by George Cosselman. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Time: 6:38 P.M.

Eleanor Smith Clerk