Regular Meeting

The Regular Meeting of the Ephratah Town Board was held 6 PM July 10, 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. 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 June 12, 2013 Regular meeting. 2nd by Andy Chorlton. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Andy Chorlton made a motion to pay General bills, Abstract 7, Claim # 111 thru 121 for the amount of \$ 4,629.99. 2nd by George Cosselman. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Thomas Miles made a motion to pay Highway bills, Abstract 7, Claim # 112 thru 132 for the amount of \$ 10,876.95. 2nd by Ivan Duesler. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Communication: None

Public Input: None

Public Hearing for no permit fees on this date was cancelled.

Reports:

Code:

- 5 New Permits Issued
- 9 Certificates of Compliance Issued
- Several Code related calls
- Various code related inspections
- Trailer on State Hwy 10 is gone

Planning Board:

- Copies of the Ephratah Business Directory is available at the Town Hall, Brittany's Diner and in the welcome packets
- Clean-up Day plan for 2014 will be in March
- RGL Craft Fair, Town-wide Garage Sale with map available at the RGL Firehouse
- Office for the Aging is preparing a presentation, September 25th, on Services available for Seniors, HEAP Program, Veterans' Assistance

<u>Highway Superintendent:</u> ready for blacktop; mowing being done; Mining permit expires July 15th; working on applying for new permit, may get an extension.

<u>Youth:</u> Opening day was Sat., July 6, 2013; had an excellent turnout. Getting ready for the Car Show. "Thank You" went out to Judy Townsend for helping on Saturday.

Assessors:

- The 2013 Final Roll has been filed with the Town Clerk, and legal notice has been published
- Have been collecting sales data to develop new land tables to update land assessments to increase the equalization rate for tentative 2014 roll
- NYS Office of Real Property forester will be doing appraisal work on state owned land during the month of July in the Town of Ephratah

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

<u>Historian:</u> No report

New Business:

Comprehensive Planning Board will meet on July 15, 2013 at 6 PM at the Town Hall

Propane for the Youth—Bruce Frasier stated that since the Youth doesn't use much propane they can't do any different.

Resolution 66

George Cosselman offered Resolution 66 to go with Blue Flame to provide propane for the Youth at a rate of 1.25 over Selkirk pricing amounting to 246.2. 2nd by Ivan Duesler. 5 Ayes. Carried.

Unfinished Business:

Since the Public Hearing was canceled, there is no closing the Public Hearing and no Resolution for the Code.

Tom Miles commented on the Comprehensive Plan that the Town needs to be looked at with the garbage, abandon houses with no lawns being mowed, and the run down look in the town. What can be done?

Mike asked the Clerk to contact General Code and get a copy of the code from Rome on grass cutting.

Carver is hauling garbage, rice, chocolate & construction debris; what can be done about that?

Because they are hauling from Region 4 to Region 5, which is a "no, no" Supervisor Bradt has asked, along with Director Jeff Bouchard of the Dept of Solid Waste, that they be notified of the clean-up results in Carver pit.

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

Time: 6:40 PM

Eleanor Smith Clerk