

MEREDITH TOWN BOARD MEETING

April 14, 2009

The regular meeting of the Meredith Town Board was held on Tuesday, April 14, 2009 at the Meredith Town Hall. The following were in attendance:

Supervisor: Keitha Capouya

Council Members: Ronald Bailey
Daniel Birnbaum
Roger Hamilton
Paul Menke

Highway Superintendent: William Jester

Clerk: Sandra Schmidt

Townspeople: 2

The Supervisor called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Scotty Gladstone from Stream Corridor Management program of Delaware County was unable to attend the Town Meeting.

BID OPENINGS:

The Town Clerk read the legal notices published in the paper for selling the Bomag Roller model BW210A-V as notice to bidders.

One bid was received and read by the Supervisor Keitha Capouya from R.G. Enterprises who submitted a bid of \$5,653.00.

The Board and the Highway Superintendent discussed and accepted the bid, and the following resolution was made:

RESOLUTION # 27 – 2009

A resolution by motion was made by Ronald Bailey to accept the bid received by R.G. Enterprises of \$5,653.00 for the Bomag roller. The motion was seconded by Paul Menke and passed by the following vote:

K. Capouya – aye
R. Bailey – aye
D. Birnbaum – aye
R. Hamilton – aye
P. Menke – aye

REGULAR TOWN BUSINESS:

The Highway Superintendent presented his report for the month of March 2009. A motion to accept the report was made by Paul Menke, seconded by Roger Hamilton and approved unanimously.

A motion to approve the minutes for March 2009 was made by Daniel Birnbaum, seconded by Roger Hamilton and approved unanimously.

The Town Clerk presented the Town Clerk's report for the month of March 2009. A motion to accept the report was made by Ronald Bailey, seconded by Roger Hamilton and approved unanimously.

The Supervisor presented her financial report for the month of March 2009. A motion to accept the report was made by Roger Hamilton, seconded by Daniel Birnbaum and approved unanimously.

ANNUAL REPORTS:

A motion to approve the Code Enforcement Officer's 2008 Building Permit Report was made by Roger Hamilton, seconded by Daniel Birnbaum and approved unanimously.

A motion to approve the Supervisor's annual report for 2008 was made by Roger Hamilton, seconded by Paul Menke and approved unanimously.

VOUCHERS:

Warrant #4 for General Fund vouchers #59 - #74 totaling \$4,744.90 was reviewed. A motion for payment of the General vouchers was made by Ronald Bailey, seconded by Daniel Birnbaum and approved unanimously.

Warrant #4 for Highway Fund vouchers #59 - #81 totaling \$48,713.30 was reviewed. A motion for payment of the Highway vouchers was made by Paul Menke, seconded by Roger Hamilton and approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Supervisor Keitha Capouya read the following correspondence:

- Time Warner Cable outlining possible program changes.
- Jim Margiotta thanking William Jester and the Meredith Highway Dept. for a job well done during winter months.
- DEP regarding a septic system for Jean Alverson.
- Board of Elections regarding replacement of voting machines and the closure of the East Meredith voting site. The Board wasn't pleased with the closure of the site and Supervisor Keitha Capouya will write a formal protest.
- Catskill Hospice regarding a bike-a-thon.

- The annual agreement between the Town of Meredith and SUNY Delhi regarding the Swimming Program. The Board discussed and approved renewing of program. The following resolution was made:

RESOLUTION # 28 – 2009

A resolution by motion was made by Roger Hamilton authorizing the Supervisor to sign the agreement between the Town of Meredith and SUNY Delhi for the summer instructional swimming program. The cost would be \$45.00 per child for residents of the town of Meredith for one three-week session. The motion was seconded by Paul Menke and passed by the following vote:

K. Capouya	– aye
R. Bailey	– aye
D. Birnbaum	– aye
R. Hamilton	– aye
P. Menke	– aye

OLD BUSINESS:

The Board discussed and approved sponsorship of the Meredith Dairy Fest for 2009. The following resolution was made:

RESOLUTION # 29 – 2009

A resolution by motion was made by Daniel Birnbaum to sponsor the Meredith Dairy Fest with a \$500.00 donation. The motion was seconded by Paul Menke and passed by the following vote:

K. Capouya	– aye
R. Bailey	– aye
D. Birnbaum	– aye
R. Hamilton	– aye
P. Menke	– aye

NEW BUSINESS:

Supervisor Keitha Capouya told the Board that Bill Field had found a small box in the records room containing 18th- and 19th-century clothing and needlework from Mrs. Godfrey, the sister of Mr. Ayers. Keitha will be meeting with Frank Waterman to discuss the Meredith Historical Society displaying and providing safe storage and care of these and other Town items.

The Board discussed advertising for the annual Fuel Bids. Invitations to bid will be sent to Mirabito, Reinhardt, Suburban and Kiff, and notices will be run in the Daily Star and the Delaware County Times. Bids will be due by May 12, 2009, and will be opened at the May 12, 2009, meeting of the Town Board. The following resolution was made:

RESOLUTION # 30 2009

A resolution by motion was made by Daniel Birnbaum to send letters and publish a legal notice of invitation to bid for Item # 1 – Kerosene; Item # 2 – Gasoline, Regular 87 Octane; Item # 3 – Low Sulfur Diesel and Item # 4 - # 2 Heating Oil.

The accepted bids will run from June 1, 2008 to May 31, 2009. The motion was seconded by Roger Hamilton and passed by the following vote:

K. Capouya	– aye
R. Bailey	– aye
D. Birnbaum	– aye
R. Hamilton	– aye
P. Menke	– aye

The Board discussed keeping insurance with Mable Insurance for another year rather than seeking other insurance quotes. Supervisor Keitha Capouya has a scheduled meeting with Kurt Mable.

A motion was made by Paul Menke, seconded by Daniel Birnbaum, to adjourn the regular meeting to Executive Session at 8:45pm, for the purpose of discussing collective bargaining, as well as possible and ongoing litigation.

Daniel Birnbaum was designated to take minutes for the remainder of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Schmidt
Town Clerk

Keitha Capouya asked Danny Birnbaum to take minutes for the remainder of the meeting.

The board adjourned from executive session at 9:35 p.m.

Paul Menke made a motion at 9:37 p.m. to adjourn the meeting. Ron Bailey seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

Submitted by,

Danny Birnbaum
Deputy Supervisor

