

MEREDITH TOWN BOARD MEETING

May 12, 2009

The regular meeting of the Meredith Town Board was held on Tuesday, May 12, 2009 at the Meredith Town Hall. The order of business was changed because some of the Board members could not get to the meeting at 7:00 p.m. The following were in attendance:

Supervisor: Keitha Capouya
Council Members: Ronald Bailey --- 7:55 p.m.
Daniel Birnbaum
Roger Hamilton - 7:35 p.m.
Paul Menke
Highway Superintendent: William Jester
Clerk: Sandra Schmidt
Townspeople 3

The Supervisor called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

BIDS:

Two bids were received and read by the Supervisor Keitha Capouya

- C.E. Kiff submitted bids for Kerosene \$1.829 per gallon and #2 Heating Oil \$1.5521 per gallon.
- Mirabito Energy Products submitted bids for Kerosene \$1.8010 per gallon, #2 Heating Oil \$1.5420 per gallon, Regular 87 Octane Gasoline \$1.6175 per gallon and Low Sulfur Diesel \$1.5935 per gallon.

After Ron Bailey and Roger Hamilton arrived, the Board discussed and accepted the bids as followed.

- C.E. Kiff for Kerosene \$1.829 per gallon and #2 Heating Oil \$1.5521 at the fluctuating bid price.
- Mirabito Energy Products for regular 87 Octane Gasoline \$1.6175 per gallon and Low Sulfur Diesel \$1.5935 per gallon at the fluctuating bid price.

The following resolution was made:

RESOLUTION # 31 - 2009

A resolution by motion was made by Roger Hamilton to accept the bids received by C.E.Kiff for Kerosene \$1.829 per gallon and #2 Heating Oil \$1.5521 per gallon at the fluctuating bid price.

Mirabito Energy Products for Regular 87 Octane Gasoline \$1.6175 per gallon and Low Sulfur diesel \$1.5935 per gallon at the fluctuating bid price. The motion was seconded by Daniel Birnbaum 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 April 2009. A motion to accept the report was made by Daniel Birnbaum, seconded by Paul Menke and approved unanimously.

A motion to approve the minutes for April 14, 2009 was made by Paul Menke, seconded by Daniel Birnbaum and approved unanimously.

The Town Clerk presented the Town Clerk's report for the month of April 2009. A motion to accept the report was made by Daniel Birnbaum, seconded by Paul Menke and approved unanimously.

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

ANNUAL REPORTS:

The Board discussed and accepted the Annual Report for 2008 of Former Town Clerk Betsy Clark, as checked and amended by the Town Clerk and the Deputy Clerk, and the following resolution was made:

RESOLUTION # 32 - 2009

A resolution by motion was made by Daniel Birnbaum to accept the Annual Report of Former Town Clerk Betsy Clark as amended. The motion was seconded by Paul Menke and passed by the following vote:

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

VOUCHERS:

Warrant #5 for General Fund vouchers #75- #94 totaling \$5,545.82 was reviewed. A motion for payment of the General vouchers was made by Daniel Birnbaum, seconded by Paul Menke and approved unanimously.

Warrant #5 for Highway Fund vouchers #82 - #109 totaling \$59,596.91 was reviewed. A motion for payment of the Highway vouchers was made by Paul Menke, seconded by Roger Hamilton and approved unanimously.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Frank Waterman from the Meredith Historical Society discussed the terms under which the town might deed the town's collection of historical papers and artifacts, currently held by Town Historian Bernice Telian, to the Meredith Historical Society. Now that the Historical Society has an arrangement for archival storage with Hanford Mills, it is in a position to see that the collection is catalogued, digitized, and made accessible, since Hanford Mills has a room for reference and study attached to the archival storage facility. Whatever stipulations the town requires could be made part of the deed of gift.

Supervisor Keitha Capouya will be checking with Lenny Sienko, Attorney for the Town, and with Liz Calahan at Hanford Mills, to verify what state requirements might be applicable, and what would be required to obtain an appraisal of the collection. The deed will then be written with a stipulation that the collection would return to the Town of Meredith at no charge should the Meredith Historical Society ever be dissolved.

After discussion, the following resolution was made:

RESOLUTION # 33 – 2009

A resolution by motion was made by Ronald Bailey expressing the sense of the Board that it will pass a formal resolution deeding the Meredith town collection to the Meredith Historical Society with the stipulation that the collection be returned intact to the Town of Meredith should the Meredith Historical Society ever be dissolved. This formal resolution awaits further information in accordance with the Board's discussion, and a deed of transfer, which will include the above stipulation. The motion was seconded by Daniel Birnbaum and passed by the following vote:

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

CORRESPONDENCE:

Supervisor Keitha Capouya read the following correspondence:

- Thank you card from Karen Barkman for the Town's donation to the Meredith senior citizens group
- Aflac Insurance, the Board decided to ask Hobart Venth if the highway department might be interested.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Mable Insurance will go on the agenda for June 9th Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Daniel Birnbaum, seconded by Roger Hamilton, to adjourn the regular meeting to Executive Session at 9:29 p.m. for the purpose of discussing ongoing litigation.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Schmidt
Town Clerk

Meredith Town Board Minutes May 12, 2009 after close of Executive Session

Keitha Capouya requested that Danny Birnbaum take minutes after the close of the executive session.

Roger Hamilton made a motion at 9:45 p.m. to adjourn the executive session. The motion was seconded by Ron Bailey and passed unanimously.

Roger Hamilton made a motion at 9:46 p.m. to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ron Bailey and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Danny Birnbaum
Deputy Supervisor