

MEREDITH TOWN BOARD MEETING  
January 12, 2010

In attendance:

Supervisor	Keitha Capouya
Council Members	Ronald Bailey Daniel Birnbaum John Janiszewski Paul Menke
Highway Super.	William Jester
Town Clerk	Penelope R. King
Townspeople	Sandy Schmidt

The Supervisor called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm

The Highway Superintendent's Report was accepted unanimously on a motion by D. Birnbaum, seconded by P. Menke. W. Jester will obtain prices for replacing a mower by the next meeting.

MINUTES:

The Minutes of the Town Board Meeting of December 8, 2009, were accepted on a motion by P. Menke, seconded by D. Birnbaum with ayes except for J. Janiszewski who abstained.

The Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Town Board held on December 21, 2009, were accepted as amended on a motion by D. Birnbaum, seconded by R. Bailey with ayes except for J. Janiszewski who abstained.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORTS;

The December, 2009 Report was accepted unanimously on a motion by P. Menke, seconded by R. Bailey.

The Annual Report for 2009 was accepted unanimously on a motion by R. Bailey, seconded by J. Janiszewski.

The Annual Vital Statistics Report for 2009 was accepted unanimously on a motion by D. Birnbaum, seconded by R. Bailey.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

The December 2009 Report was accepted unanimously on a motion by D. Birnbaum, seconded by J. Janiszewski.

GENERAL VOUCHERS #1-16 were accepted unanimously on a motion by R. Bailey, seconded by P. Menke.

HIGHWAY VOUCHERS #1-17 were accepted unanimously on a motion by P. Menke, seconded by J. Janiszewski.

#### CORRESPONDENCE:

The Delhi Joint Fire District reported on their election.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

The Supervisor gave out Profit and Loss Statements for the year 2009. Final adjustments to the 2009 budget will be made at next month's meeting.

An Office of Building & Codes Official List of Inspections from Sept.-Nov. 2009 was received from Diane Lutz.

Daniel Birnbaum reported on a survey he made of office machines which had been stored in the Records Room. He will finish that survey by our next meeting where a list of machines, their condition and recommendations for use or disposal will be presented. Daniel Birnbaum will ask his worker, Rob Whitney, to help and asked that he be paid \$15 per hour for 2 hours of inspection. No motion was made at this time, but all agreed that the payment would be reasonable.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

New NYS Retirement Fund rules for determining time worked by elected and appointed officials were explained. Waiver forms are available for those who do not wish to join the retirement program.

D. Birnbaum brought some information on a second-hand copier/FAX machine to replace the one in the Town Hall. It will be discussed further at the next meeting.

R. Bailey asked that the designer of the town web site (Sheep Dog) be paid \$250/year to help maintain the site. A Resolution by motion to pay Sheep Dog \$250/yr was moved by P. Menke and seconded by D. Birnbaum. The vote was as follows:

R. Bailey -aye  
K. Capouya -aye  
D. Birnbaum -aye  
J. Janiszewski -aye  
P. Menke -aye

Paul Menke presented a draft resolution that has already been signed by Hamden to lower County costs by further tightening hiring policies and restricting unfunded mandates. The issue will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:52 pm on a motion by P. Menke, seconded by D. Birnbaum, with all voting aye.