

**Town of Andes
Regular Board Meeting
July 14, 2015 at 7:00PM
Andes Town Hall**

Present:

Supervisor Martin Donnelly
Councilman Thomas Hall
Councilman Wayland 'Bud' Gladstone
Highway Superintendent Michael McAdams

Councilman Thomas Joyce
Councilman Dale Cole
Town Clerk Kimberly Tosi

Others:

Thomas Brainerd
Ritchie Gabriel

Tom Coddington-Walton Reporter
Buffy Calvert

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Donnelly. The meeting was run by Councilman Gladstone.

Pledge:

The pledge of allegiance was led and recited by Councilman Joyce.

Privilege of the Floor:

-Ritchie Gabriel
RE: Courthouse Project and Town Finances

Mr. Gabriel inquired about the projected cost of the new court. The projected cost is \$225,000. To date \$180,094.84 has been spent. The project is very close to being completed. The remaining work includes the parking lot, fence, and some little things on the interior.

Mr. Gabriel inquired about the approximately \$60,000 in grant funding that Justice Grieco has acquired in previous years. The exact amount that has been received through the Justice funding was unknown but thought to be much lower than \$60,000. This money will be spent on desks and other furniture. Mr. Gabriel asked where this money is located in the budget. It is in the General Fund.

Fixing of the current building, just to fix the foundation and structural concerns was quoted at \$104,000. The modular building was quoted at up to \$300,000 without site work.

Mr. Gabriel asked what the balance of the Good Neighbor fund is. It is \$403,735.93 to date. The amount of the courthouse expenses for this year will be transferred at the end of this year. This amount to date is \$94,317.22. The Highway Fund also owes the Good Neighbor fund \$33,366.86 from past year FEMA expenses.

Mr. Gabriel asked about the Machinery Expense line and why it is over budget. The grader was purchased from this account. While the account is in trouble it is not over budget at this time. When the loan check is received the amount will be added to this account.

-Thomas Brainerd
RE: Sick Time and Vacation

Motion to enter executive session, made by Councilman Hall, Seconded by Councilman Joyce.
All in favor, motion carried 7:08PM RE: Personnel

Motion to exit executive session, made by Supervisor Donnelly, Seconded by Councilman Hall.
All in favor, motion carried. 7:21PM.

Reports:

Highway Report 6/10/15 – 7/7/15

Equipment

2011 Dodge Ram 2500 – Replaced drivers side Hub Assembly and universal. 69,000 Miles

2009 International 6x6 – Replaced sensor on DEF system, installed new gasket on power steering pump. 40,276 miles

2004 International 7600 – Replaced air valve off front pump, fuel tank is leaking and has to be replaced. 129,436

1996 Volvo Tri-Axle – Replaced drivers side rear U-bolts. Had to take the radiator off to have it pressure tested

2004 4x4 International- Air tank is being replaced.

2009 International 4x4- The reservoir tank for the anti-freeze has to be replaced.

The 2009 International 4x4, 2004 International 7600, 2004 International 4x4, and 1996 Volvo are all out of service at this time until they are repaired.

Road Work

The Following Roads have been worked during this past month. Mud Lake Road, Bush Hill Road, Dowie Road, Cross Mountain Road, Hyzer Hill Road, Woodland Hills Road, Gambichler Road, Kovba Road, Highland Road, State Road, Bullet Hole Road, Ruff Road, Bussey Hollow, Shaver Hollow, Weaver Hollow, Canada Hollow

The Following Roads have been ditched. Bussey Hollow, Brace Hollow, Shaver Hollow, Weaver Hollow and Canada Hollow.

We put six loads of gravel on Shaver Hollow, three loads of gravel to Brace Hollow, and six loads of gravel of Weaver Hollow

We are putting shock rock in some of the ditches on Lower Dingle Hill Road.

Road Mowing

We have been out mowing roadsides with our newly acquired used ditch bank mower. This will make mowing roadsides much faster. We will be to around to every road, thanks for your patience.

Other

We purchased a Ford Taurus through the Army Surplus Program for \$500.

Thank you to Councilman Gladstone for allowing us to use his trailer to pick up the mower and car. It is greatly appreciated.

June 15th I will be meeting with Delaware County Soils and Water regarding the grant projects for Holiday Brook and Gulf Brook Roads.

I will be advertising for two highway employees in the coming weeks. We received a resignation letter on July 14th, 2015. This employee has to be replaced as well as the one that left last summer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Michael McAdams

*Councilman Hall asked about the Case Roller, whether or not the vibratory is working. McAdams stated it has not been working for over a year. We cannot afford to fix it at this time.

**Councilman Hall asked what the car is for. McAdams stated that it will be used to pick up parts, etc. It gets much better gas mileage than the town pickup.

***Councilman Hall asked how the mower is working. McAdams stated that it is working well, fixed the pin and is not all better.

****Councilman Gladstone reported that as was discussed at the June meeting he and McAdams met with the planning board members at Doug Reeser's property who is completing a subdivision. The surveyor wanted to make sure the town approved the new driveway and the town did.

Supervisor's Report

1.) Tina Moshier, the Clerk of the Shavertown Cemetery Committee reported that they received from Robert Shaver a gift of \$350.00 on July 8th, 2015 to go toward the care and upkeep of the Shavertown Cemetery.

*Supervisor Donnelly stated that the Planning Board has received a request to change the use of the property across from the town hall, to a potential working farm.

Motions:

Motion to approve the June 2015 Regular Meeting minutes, June Town Clerk's Financial Report, Justices' Financial Report, Supervisor's Financial Report, and Tax Collector's Financial Report, made by Councilman Gladstone, Seconded by Councilman Joyce. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion to authorize Supervisor Donnelly to sign the 2015 DCO contract with The Humane Society of Central Delaware County, Inc. (d/b/a Heart of the Catskills Humane Society), made by Councilman Joyce, Seconded by Councilman Hall. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion to authorize Supervisor Donnelly to sign the grant application with Delaware County Soils and Water for Close Hollow Road, made by Councilman Hall, Seconded by Councilman Joyce. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion to pre-approve the August bills as an August meeting will not be held, made by Councilman Joyce, Seconded by Councilman Hall. All in favor, motion carried.

*Discussion took place that the Walton Fair will actually be the week after the August meeting.

Motion to rescind the motion to pre-approve the August bills and cancel the August meeting, made by Supervisor Donnelly, Seconded by Councilman Joyce. All in favor, motion carried.

There will be an August Town Board Meeting on August 11th, 2015 at 7:00PM!!

Motion to approve all CHIPS bills prior to the August meeting, made by Councilman Hall, Seconded by Councilman Joyce. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion to approve the payment of Thomas Brainerd's vacation and sick time, totaling 93 hours per his resignation, made by Councilman Hall, Seconded by Councilman Joyce. All in favor, motion carried.

Resolutions:

(NONE)

Committees:

Pool-

Councilman Joyce reported that the new chlorine system is working very well. Artie is doing a great job maintaining it. We have all of the lifeguards that we need. There is a leak somewhere. This will need to be addressed this ball. It has been fixed for now.

Flood Commission-

Councilman Gladstone reported that five proposals for the RFA had been received. The flood commission will be holding a meeting on July 20th at 6pm to review them.

Ballantine Park-

Councilman Gladstone reported that the committee has held two meetings this month in reference to the pavilion. There was a question about the quality of the pavilion that was being considered for purchase. Some of the committee members went to view one in Treadwell. The pavilion will be 14' x 24'. The initial estimate for the pad and gazebo is \$16,000, constructed with wiring. The pad will be \$4300. The only other cost will be the electrical work. It will take approximately 4-6 weeks for delivery.

Motion to move forward with the purchase of the pavilion, made by Councilman Cole, Seconded by Councilman Joyce. All in favor, motion carried.

New Construction-

Supervisor Donnelly reported that the construction for the court is approximately 97% complete. Some molding, ceiling tiles, bathroom floor installation, etc. are all that remains.

The outside of the Railroad Station has been primed. The propane tank has been installed. The final coat of paint should be on this week.

Other:

MARK Project- Councilman Gladstone reported that he attended a meeting where Peg Ellsworth spoke about the Main Street Grant application which will provide support to businesses on Main Street in several towns in the area. Marge Merzig is sending a letter of support for this.

Cabin Hill Cemetery- Councilman Cole reported that it has been too wet to get to the cemetery to begin the cleanup. This will probably need to wait until the fall.

Economic Committee-Councilman Gladstone suggested that the board should form an economic committee to act as a liaison between the board and the business and town.

Councilman Joyce stated that the chamber of commerce may be starting back up. Supervisor Donnelly stated that the board should talk to the town attorney about any 'liaison' status.

Motion to create the economic committee to consist of Councilman Joyce and Supervisor Donnelly, made by Councilman Joyce, Seconded by Councilman Hall. All in favor, motion carried.

Correspondence:

Councilman Gladstone read a letter from Karen Marshfield asking for privilege of the Floor at the Regular August Meeting.

A resignation letter was received from Thomas Brainerd, highway employee.

Approval of Bills:

Motion to approve General Warrants #213-267 totaling \$26,515.85

Highway Warrants #142-177 totaling \$30,260.79

WWTP Warrants #91-111 totaling \$51,888.76

Water Warrants #46-52 totaling \$26,698.86, made by Supervisor Donnelly, Seconded by Councilman Joyce. All in favor, motion carried.

Districts:

Water-

Sewer-

Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn made by Councilman Hall, Seconded by Councilman Joyce. All in favor, 8:12PM.

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**TOWN OF ANDES, NY
TOWN BOARD MEETING
REPORT BY DELAWARE OPERATIONS
July 10, 2015**

1. **Water System**

- Daily usage of treated water from the water system averaged 26,347 gallons per day for the month of ~~July~~ 2015.

June

2. **Plant Purchases**

3. **O&M**

4. **Equipment**

5. **Distribution System**

- Repair was made to a water line at 131 Main Street on June 4th. The water line was broke wile repairing the sewer lateral at that location.

6. **Library Well**