

**Regular Meeting**  
**Of the Town Board of the Town of Cuba**

Held at the Cuba Circulating Library, 39 E. Main St., Cuba, NY

**Present:**

Council Persons: Robert Carney, Lynnford Sweet, Joseph Miller, Jeffrey Dahill

**Also Present:** Nancy Orcutt, Town Clerk, Dustin Burch, Police Chief,  
Gary Fries, Ambulance Administrator

**Absent:** Barbara Deming, Supervisor, Gary Fries, Ambulance Administrator

Deputy Supervisor, Robert Carney opened the meeting at 7PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**10 Minutes for Public Comments:** Minutes are currently not appearing on the Town's website due to the fact it is being updated. As soon as the renovations are complete, all new information starting with January 2012 will be posted. A link to the Police Department is also being added.

**Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting 01/10/12 & 02/02/12:** Sweet motioned to accept the Minutes as presented by the Clerk; Miller seconded the motion, all in favor, Minutes approved.

**Approve the Supervisor's Report for January 2012:** Dahill motioned to accept the Supervisor's Report as given, seconded by Sweet, all in favor motion passed. The General Fund received \$219,313.60 and dispersed \$59,988.96, while the Highway Fund received \$208,062.64 and dispersed \$43,609.91. The Capital Fund neither received nor dispersed any funds.

**Approve General & Highway Abstract for February 2012:** The General Fund dispersed \$102,742.33, Highway, \$46,338.72, and the Capital Fund, \$1,260.00. Dahill motioned to approve the Abstract, seconded by Sweet. All in favor, motion passed.

**Clerk's Correspondence:** The VFW is requesting a blanket waiver for the year to override the open container law for events taking place at their facility. It was denied. Sweet motioned to approve the four upcoming dates between February 25 and April 21. Dahill seconded the motion, all in favor, motion passed.

The Certificate of Attendance for assessor training is on file for Thomas Cucchiaro.

The Clerk filed an annual report with the Department of Commerce for new homes built in 2011. There are four, with a total value of \$692,602.00.

The Cuba Cemetery Association submitted their report for January. Interest/dividends totaled \$153.13 while Gifts/Membership is \$1,025.00. The Security Trust was closed out and the \$27,000 was deposited in the checking account. It will be transferred to the permanent maintenance savings account and added to a CD in the future.

Contract expenses were \$200 and the balance in the check book is \$33,279.27. The permanent Maintenance Savings Account has a balance of \$4,598.66.

**Board Comments:** There are no comments at this time.

**Police Department Comments:** Cuba Police responded to 359 calls to service and developed 51 cases from these calls. The PD handled 30 motor vehicle accidents, 16 in the Town, 10 in the Village, and 3 on I-86. There were 31 traffic summons issued; 7 in the Town, 12 in the Village, 11 on the Lake, and 1 on I-86. The Department also handled 3 noise complaints, 4 motorist assists, 0 funeral escort, 23 vehicle lockouts, 8 parking tickets, 12 other agency assists, and 1 domestic dispute. The PD assisted the Ambulance on 14 calls.

The PD conducted two safety car seat installations. Sixty-seven children and parents attended the child safety ID program and due to the large turnout, the department will be hosting another session in the near future.

Neighborhoods watch program signs have been ordered and as soon as they arrive, they will set up a public meeting concerning this.

The next pill drop event in Cuba is being planned and as soon as a date is reached, the public will be notified.

The PD recently worked with the sheriff's office to get a sex offender management program in place and are currently up to date with active sex offenders in the community and required checkups on these individuals has commenced.

**Ambulance Comments:** Cuba Ambulance responded to 30 calls in January. Nine were critical care with Cuba handling all nine. Twenty-two patients were transported to Olean General, with seven sign offs. Sixteen calls were in the village, nine in the town and four on the lake.

The jackets ordered last year from United Uniforms have arrived. They will be given out to active member. Other jackets will be ordered in the future for other members as they become more active.

At the last meeting, electric was run overhead so the ambulances could be plugged in without the cords lying on the floor. Additional equipment was transported from the PD along with a lot of paperwork and manuals. There is still a lot of work to do, but everything is coming along fine.

All PCR's (personal care reports) over five years old can be shredded. This will save having to move them to the new bay, but it will also be an expense to destroy them. There is a possibility they may be burned.

Yvonne Wright from Black Creek has applied for membership with the Cuba Ambulance Service. She is enrolled in the Basic EMT course. A background check has been completed

and cleared. Miller made the motion to accept Wright as a new member to the Squad, seconded by Dahill. All in favor, motion passed.

**Fire Department Comments:**

- ✓ Five new members approved
- ✓ Jason Jones will man the fire hall on 2/18/12 from 9AM-Noon
- ✓ Equipment night is 02/21/2012
- ✓ Training night is 02/28/2012 (Tower or Ice Rescue)
- ✓ Repairs approximately \$5,000 for Cuba 3
- ✓ Open House 02/23/2012 and 02/25/2010
- ✓ Radio grant for county denied (needs to be upgraded by 2014)
- ✓ Cuba 1 and Cuba 3 still need to be serviced (approximately \$18,000)
- ✓ Air pack inspection in February
- ✓ Physicals due in in April
- ✓ Need pagers and gear for new members
- ✓ Two accidents
- ✓ Lint fire in the village
- ✓ False alarm at school
- ✓ Pumped two basements in village
- ✓ CO call, false alarm

**Highway Department Comments:**

Projects for the month of January:

- ✓ Cutting brush and trees on Jackson hill, North Brand and Spring Valley
- ✓ Plowing and sanding as needed
- ✓ Cold patched potholes
- ✓ Winter service on the 2003 Kobelco excavator
- ✓ Posting of roads will be done within a week
- ✓ Request to remove four trees from corner of Jackson Hill and Spring Valley
- ✓ Request denied by owner, not in right of way
- ✓

Equipment repairs include:

- ✓ 2009 Peterbilt replaced rear taillight
- ✓ 1999 Mack replaced front u bolt and the sander chain and idler bearings
- ✓ 2003 Sterling replaced a hydraulic hose on the box
- ✓ 2005F-550 replaced rear taillight and plastic intake tube to turbo charger
- ✓ 2000 John Deere tractor two spool control valve resealed, bypass valve checked and reset tractor pressure and flows checked and set

Sweet motioned to advertise for a roadside mower. Miller seconded the motion, all in favor, motion passed.

**Code Enforcement Report:**

- ✓ ISO(Insurance Services Office) report filed
- ✓ Reported to Amerigas the requirements for a propane exchange station at the Cuba Dollar General Store
- ✓ Reviewed changes to cottage 317 on North Shore Road
- ✓ Discussed a 6x6 entranceway to cottage at 80 South Shore Road

**Dog Control Report:**

- ✓ Responded to a report of unidentified dog running at large in the village
- ✓ Resolved complaint of dogs on State Route 305
- ✓ Attended a 3 hour dog control course taught by Carol Staffehl, NYS Animal Health Inspector (basics of rules and regulations concerning dog control)
- ✓ Served one ticket for unlicensed dog
- ✓ Gave notice to dog owner to have dog licensed within 10 days

In reply to a question asked previously, a dangerous dog, according to Article 7, Section 123, a dangerous dog is a dog that someone believes or feels is an imminent threat to themselves whether it is because of an attack or the fear of an attack. The judge actually makes the decision and what steps need to be taken to protect the public.

**Old Business:**

**Single Audit:** The audit is now final and the report is forthcoming.

**Sewer District #5 Check Valves:** Valves are continuing to be replaced and should be completed in April. Actions will be taken to recover the replacement cost. Documentation is being done to help with this recovery.

**New Business:**

**Code of Ethics:** Every year the Code of Ethics needs reviewed and updated if necessary. The Board has reviewed this and after a brief discussion Sweet motioned to accept the Code as presented without changes. Miller seconded the motion, all in favor, motion passed. The Code of Ethics will be available for review on the Town's website as soon as possible.

**Southern Tier West:** Sweet motioned to continue the basic subscription to Southern Tier West at the cost of \$300. Dahill seconded the motion, all in favor, motion passed.

**Fire Department Election:** A special election will be held on Thursday, March 1, 2012 at 5 Bull Street, Town Hall. The election is to vote for or against forming the Joint Cuba Fire District. Voting will take place between 1PM and 8PM.

**Highway Equipment Reserve:** There is between \$33,000 and \$34,000 in FEMA money from projects the Highway Department has completed. Sweet motioned to start the process of setting up an equipment reserve fund with \$25,000. Dahill seconded the motion, all in favor, motion passed.

At 8:05PM, Dahill motioned to adjourn the meeting to go into Executive Session. This part of the meeting is to discuss personnel. Seconded by Sweet, all in favor, motion passed.

At 8:45PM the regular meeting reconvened. With no further business to discuss, Dahill motioned to adjourn, seconded by Sweet. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

The next meeting will be held on March 13, 2012 at the Cuba Library meeting room at 7PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy A. Orcutt  
Town Clerk  
Town of Cuba



