

**Hearing of the Town Board of the Town of Cuba**  
**Highway Reserve Fund**

**Present:**

Supervisor: Barbara Deming  
 Council Persons: Robert Carney, Joseph Miller, Jeffrey Dahill  
Also, Present: Nancy Orcutt, Town Clerk, Steven Nease, Highway Supt.

Supervisor Deming called the Hearing to order at 6:45PM with the Pledge of Allegiance. She explained this Hearing is to hear comments for or against the forming of a Highway Reserve Fund. It is the intent of the Town Board to establish a reserve for highway equipment, funded with FEMA money received for projects completed. The reserve beginning balance will be \$25,000. Additional deposits made come from a surplus of highway funds, if any at the end of the fiscal year. After a brief discussion, Dahill motioned to close the Hearing at 6:55PM. The motion carried by a second from Miller and approval of the Board.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy A. Orcutt  
 Town Clerk  
 Town of Cuba

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

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

**Present:**

Supervisor: Barbara Deming  
 Council Persons: Robert Carney, Lynnford Sweet, Joseph Miller, Jeffrey Dahill  
 Also, Present: Nancy Orcutt, Town Clerk, Steven Nease, Highway Supt.  
 Dustin Burch, Police Chief  
 Absent: Gary Fries, Ambulance Administrator

Supervisor Deming opened the meeting at 7PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**10 Minutes for Public Comments:** Chris Travis from Cuba Lake appeared again to find out the progress of his claim from last July regarding Blue Herron and the Sewer District. After a lengthy discussion, Deming stated that the approval of this current Abstract should cover his claim with Blue Herron. She believes one of the invoices they have submitted now includes Travis' claim. The completion of the work for Sewer District #5 is on a tight time-line. The Town needs to convert to a long-term loan by August to receive 0% financing. Because of other financial issues with Blue Heron, Carney stated that the Town has had to proceed with the project in a timely fashion and absorb additional costs. Because of other financial issues with Blue Heron, the Town will pursue legal actions to

recuperate any additional expended funds after the project is completed. In other words, the Town will do all it can so as not to pay for work or materials twice.

**Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting 04/10/2012:** 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 April 2012:** Carney motioned to accept the Supervisor's Report as given, seconded by Miller, all in favor motion passed. The General Fund received \$22,607.84, disbursed \$61,496.81, while the Highway Fund received \$218.30, and disbursed \$26,080.05. The Capital Fund received and disbursed \$207,622.50.

**Approve General & Highway Abstract for April 2012:** The General Fund disbursed \$28,762.99, Highway, \$30,887.73, and the Capital Fund, \$116,292.59. Sweet motioned to approve the Abstract, seconded by Dahill. All in favor, Abstract approved.

**Clerk's Correspondence:** Nothing to report.

**Board Comments:** Dahill requested all employees who drive Town vehicles be subject to an annual driver's review. This will ensure the Town is not taking on any extra liability for an employee who is not properly qualified to use Town owned vehicles.

**Police Department Comments:** Cuba Police responded to 450 calls to service and developed 50 cases from these calls. The PD handled 15 motor vehicle accidents, 5 in the Town, 7 in the Village, 3 in the Village and 0 on I-86. There were 44-traffic summons issued, 17 in the Town, 14 in the Village, 12 on the Lake, and 0 on I-86. The Department also handled 1 noise complaints, 8 motorist assists, 11 vehicle lockouts, 2 parking tickets, 14 other agency assist and 3 domestic disputes. The Police Department assisted the Ambulance on 5 calls.

The bike rodeo, scheduled June 1 at 3:30PM and June 2 at 1:00PM, is in the lot behind the Community Bank.

Two pill drop-offs are completed. The pill drop results are as follows; 61 cars dropped off pills, 240.6 lbs. and \$24,560 in conservative street value, and potentially kept out of our water system. The DEA will transport to an incinerator for disposal in Niagara County.

**Ambulance Comments:** Cuba Ambulance Service responded to 17 calls in April. There were 4 sign-offs. Four calls were in the township, 7 in the Village, 1 at the Lake and 5 in the Town of New Hudson. Twelve patients transported to OGH, and 1 to Jones. Five were critical care, Cuba handled 4 and Olean 10 took 1.

The next meeting is Sunday, May 20 at 9:00AM. A member of Trans-Am will be present to conduct the semi-annual skills.

**Fire Department Comments:**

- ❖ Demo Derby is May 12
- ❖ Dairy Week starts May 30
- ❖ Equipment Night is May 15
- ❖ Training Night is May 22 with F.A.S.T. Team

- ❖ Radio Meeting May 23
- ❖ District 1 meeting May 6
- ❖ Harrisburg fire equipment show May 18-20
- ❖ Physicals completed on 33 members
- ❖ Gear sheets being completed
- ❖ Pill drop went well with Police Department
- ❖ Mask sheets up to date and inspected

Incident Log:

- ❖ 4/1 system malfunction
- ❖ 4/2 building fire
- ❖ 4/6 outside rubbish fire
- ❖ 4/14 building fire
- ❖ 4/19 building fire
- ❖ 4/23 unauthorized burning
- ❖ 4/23 public service assistance
- ❖ 4/24 false alarm
- ❖ 4/24 dispatched and cancelled
- ❖ 4/30 rescue/standby – cancelled

**Highway Department Comments:**

- ✓ Graded and rolled Townline, Shaffer and Swift roads
- ✓ Completed 5 FEMA jobs
- ✓ Snowplowing 2 days
- ✓ Numerous small trees and limbs down from snowfall
- ✓ Roadsides and intersections swept
- ✓ Repaired shoulders on gross/Burlingame
- ✓ Trimming trees and brush on North Branch, Stowell and Witter roads
- ✓ Assisted County DPW with manpower and trucks for cutting shoulders
- ✓ Annual fire extinguisher inspection

**Equipment Repair:**

- ✓ 2005 Hypac Roller replaced fuel injection pump
- ✓ 2005 ford F550 replaced hydraulic hose
- ✓ 1990 Rosco Broom replaced backup alarm
- ✓ 1990 Dresser Grader replaced and serviced blade lift seal kit
- ✓ 1996 International replaced clutch and NYS Inspection
- ✓ 2009 Peterbilt received NYS Inspection
- ✓ 2003 Interstate Trailer received NYS inspection
- ✓ 1999 Mack replaced fuel hose and 2 front plow springs
- ✓ 2003 Sterling replaced drive tire rim

**Dog Control Report:**

- Complaint of dog running at large and unable to locate
- Complaint of pit bull running at large in Village. Needed assistance of Cuba PD. Returned dog to owner and advised to restrain with a heavier cable.
- Issued failure to license dog appearance tickets

- Unidentified dog running at large in Village. Dog extremely emaciated, taken to PD to document with photos. The following day the dog was euthanized
- Assisted PD with looking for an injured dog with negative results
- Unidentified lab running at large in the Village. Located dog and owner. Advised owner to better restrain the dog

#### **Code Enforcement Report:**

- Supervisor Deming inquired about ISO report.
- Cuba ISO rating is 5 until end of year when NYS should adopt the 2012 code
- Issued a permit for a Lake resident wanting a 4 x 4 entryway.
- Investigated 2 complaint calls

#### **Old Business:**

**County Diversion Program:** This is a program to help retain some of the fines from the court to stay in Cuba instead of going to the State of New York. As discussed last month, a letter sent requesting permission to start this program in Cuba went to the County. The response came back negative. The County is using this program and it is unwilling to share it with other municipalities.

**Highway Reserve Account:** After hearing comments on setting up the account earlier this evening, Carney motioned to start an account for Highway equipment with \$25,000 in funds received from FEMA. The motion passed on the second of Miller and agreement of the entire Board. A roll call vote showed voting aye, Deming, Carney, Miller, Dahill, and Sweet.

**Sewer District:** Already discussed.

#### **New Business:**

**Fire District Mutual Agreement:** Sweet motioned to accept the Inter-municipal Agreement for Provision of Fire Protection and Emergency Services between the Village of Cuba, the Town of Cuba, and the Cuba Joint Fire District beginning as of June 1, 2012. Dahill seconded the motion, all in favor, Agreement approved.

**Speed Limit on Bradley Avenue:** Deming has not received a response to this date concerning the lowering of the speed limit on Bradley Ave. The reasoning is the same as when the Town applied for the change on Maple Lane. Being that the street is just outside the Village and is very populated as are the Village streets, she is expecting positive results.

**Mowing Bids:** David Fries is the only response to the request for bids in mowing Town properties. The fees are the same as 2011, \$15 for Bull Street, \$55 for Water Street. Sweet motioned to accept the bid, seconded by Carney. All in favor, motion passed.

At 8:11PM, Carney motioned to adjourn, seconded by Sweet, all in favor, meeting adjourned.

The next meeting is on June 12, 2012 at the Cuba Library meeting room at 7PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy A. Orcutt  
Town Clerk  
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