

Regular Meeting
Of the Town Board of the Town of Cuba

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

Present:

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

Absent: Gary Fries, Ambulance Administrator

Supervisor Deming called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:40pm due to a run over of the District II Meeting.

Public Comments: Mary Lindquist inquired how people know what positions are available for appointment so they can apply for the position. Deming answered the Board compiles a list of prospects, discusses them, and appoints one. Lynn Volk spoke about how the Republican Party in Cuba has gone to a petition process instead of a caucus for nominating candidates for office. This year is the first year for this action.

Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting 04/9/2013: Sweet motioned to accept the Minutes as presented by the Clerk, seconded by Dahill. All in favor, motion passed.

Approve Supervisor's Report for April: The General Fund received \$11,701.53 and disbursed \$122,307.61; Highway Fund received \$75.95 and disbursed \$179,038.21. Sweet motioned to approve the Supervisor's Report, seconded by Dahill. All in favor, motion passed.

Approve General & Highway Abstracts for May: Carney motioned to approve the Abstracts, seconded by Sweet. All in favor, motion passed. The General Fund is \$55,055.50, Highway Fund is \$24,556.01.

Clerks' Correspondence: The VFW is requesting a waiver of the open container law for the Horseshoe League. It runs every Thursday from June 6 through October 10. Carney motioned to approve the waiver, seconded by Dahill. All in favor, permission granted. Murdock's has dropped off a letter of intention for renewal of their liquor license. Walter Putt, Code Enforcement, has completed his time sheet for the Work Day Reporting toward his retirement. Average workdays per month are 3.20. Sweet motioned to approve the reported days, seconded by Dahill. All in favor, motion passed.

Board Comments: Last month Dahill requested that a driver license check be performed on all Town employees to ensure those driving Town vehicles are in compliance. The Police Department is complete but still working on Highway and Ambulance Departments. Sweet inquired who does the sweeping of the Lakeside of the road. It is the County DPW. Carney announced he would not be in attendance of the June, July and August meetings.

Police Department Comments: Cuba Police responded to 249 calls to service in April and developed 50 cases. The Police Department handled 10 motor vehicle accidents, 1 in

the Town, 5 in the Village, 0 on the Lake and 4 on I-86. There were 26 traffic summons issued (9 in the Town, 11 in the Village and 4 on the Lake and 2 on I-86). The Department also handled 1 noise complaints, 9 motorist assists, 8 vehicle lock-outs, 1 parking tickets, 7 other agency assists, and 8 domestic disputes. The department assisted the Ambulance on 12 calls. The Department conducted 0 car seat installation inspection and one pill drop off completed. Two k-9 searches were completed and two k-9 demos were done for the public. The next Neighborhood Network meeting is scheduled for May 29th at 7PM at the A. A. Arnold Community Center. There will be a discussion on the active shooter drill at the high school and representatives from the Fire Department, Ambulance, Police Department as well as the school will be on hand to show video footage and photos from the training and discuss the training. The Police donations for the K-9 Unit once again have received several donations and the Department is grateful. The April pill drop was a success. Fifty-one pounds of narcotics will be transported to Niagara County where it will be safely incinerated. Carney motioned to hire as a part-time police officer John Dunn. It was seconded by Miller, all in favor, motion passed. Chief Burch also brought up the fact that there in an on-going problem with cows in the road on Hamilton Hill. The Police Department has talked to the owner numerous times and the problem persists. After some discussion on the matter, The Board will look into establishing a local law to address the problem before someone's safety becomes compromised.

Ambulance Comments: Cuba Ambulance responded to 25 calls for service in the month of April. There were 18 patients transported to Olean General and one to Jones. Of these, 9 were critical care with Olean 10 handling 1 and Cuba handling 8. There were 4 sign offs, 2 standbys and 1 call cancelled. Six calls were in the Town, 14 in the Village, 2 on the Lake, and 3 in New Hudson. Sean Stephens from Friendship has put in his application for driver. No background check has been done at this time. He is currently a member with the Friendship Ambulance. The new 12 lead monitors have arrived and are in the process of being set up for installation. A new desktop computer was purchased and information and programs from the old unit are being transferred over.

Highway Department Comments:

- ✓ Snowplowed 2 days
- ✓ Cut brush and trimming trees on Beebe Hill
- ✓ Started sweeping intersections and roadsides
- ✓ Graded and rolled Dekay, South, Hubbell Hill and Ungermann roads
- ✓ Work on the Grange for a polling place had to be put off until May 20th to coordinate work with the Village
- ✓ Installed new high band radios in the primary (5) trucks, equipment to be done as it can be afforded
- ✓ Contacted a company to look at updating the heating system

Equipment Repairs:

- 2003 Sterling, replaced drive tires and differential lock sensor
- 2001 Interstate equipment trailer, replaced 2 tires and NYSI
- 2005 Hy-Pac roller, replaced 2 hydraulic hoses
- 2009 Peterbilt, rear brake adjuster replaced and NYSI
- 1990 Dresser grader, steering column locks, oil pressure sensor replaced, light wiring repaired

- 1999 Mack, box lift cylinder replaced
- 1996 International, NYSI

Dog Control Officer Comments:

- ❖ Three dogs running at large, two not found and one to Joyful Rescues
- ❖ Delivered failure to license dogs tickets
- ❖ Met with Judge about dangerous dog case
- ❖ Attended an informative dog control seminar

Code Enforcement Comments:

- Inspected plumbing at 353 Cuba Lake
- Insulation inspection at cottage 251
- Inspected and wrote Certificate of Occupancy for 5310 Maple Lane
- Wrote permits for 8399 Hubbell Hill for a roof, 8933 Burlingame Rd. for a new home

Old Business:

K-9 Program: The K-9 program is going very well. Donations have covered all expenses thus far. Last month there was talk of maybe adding a German Shepherd as a drug dog. Some discussion took place and the Town needs to wait until the dog is finished training before any decision can be made.

Polling Place: The Board of Elections requires work done at the Grange to bring it up to code for handicap access. This work will begin this month and will be performed by the Highway crew.

Energy Rate Reduction: Deming has received several calls about switching the delivery of gas and electric to help reduce rates. After a brief exchange of ideas, it was determined to leave things as is.

New Business:

Ambulance Administrator: With great regret, the Town Board accepted the resignation of Gary Fries as Ambulance Administrator on the motion from Carney and second of Sweet. He will be greatly missed. Carney then motioned to appoint Dustin Burch, Seconded by Sweet, all in favor. Aaron Appleby may serve as Burch's assistant.

Cemetery: Deming received a letter from the Cuba Cemetery stating they will be in need of the \$5,000 set aside in the budget for maintenance this spring and summer. Dahill motioned to give them the money, seconded by Miller. All in favor, passed.

Sewer District Truck: Dana Harvey found a truck that would be suitable for use for the sewer district when he goes on a call. He has asked the Board if they would like to purchase it. After all thoughts voiced, Carney motioned to purchase the truck for \$7,500, seconded by Sweet, all in favor. It will be for strict use of the Sewer District only.

Advertise Bid: The Court has a grant to have a freestanding courtroom bench, freestanding table, witness stand, attached shelves and bookshelves built. Marilyn Bunk

has requested permission to have this put out to bid. With a motion from Carney and second from Miller, permission granted.

At 9:58 pm, Dahill moved to go into executive session, seconded by Miller.

At 9:35 pm, the regular meeting reopened where Carney and Deming is the appointed committee to negotiate the purchase of the annex building behind the Elementary School. Renovation will take place for this to become Town Hall.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:31 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy A. Orcutt
Town Clerk
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