

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

Held at the Cuba Town Hall, 5 Bull St., Cuba, NY

**Present:**

Supervisor: Barbara Deming

Council Persons: Lynnford Sweet, Joseph Miller, Jeffrey Dahill

Also, Present: Nancy Orcutt, Town Clerk, Dustin Burch, Police Chief & Ambulance Administrator, Steven Nease, Highway Supt.

**Absent:** Robert Carney, Council Person

Supervisor Deming called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00pm.

**10 Minutes for Public Questions:** Mary Lindquist inquired if windmills could be allowed our area. Deming replied no, as the wind is too inconsistent in this area.

Mary Raymond questioned how openings are filled for special committees or posts. Deming explained that the Board puts together a list of possibilities and the Board appoints from the list.

**Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting 07/09/2013:** Unanimously approved were the Minutes from the June 2013 with the motion made by Dahill and seconded by Sweet.

**Approve Supervisor's Report for July:** The Supervisor's Report showed the General Fund received \$26,934.11 and disbursed \$107,356.95; Highway Fund received \$79.63 and disbursed \$71,551.14. Sweet motioned to approve the Supervisor's Report as presented, seconded by Miller. All in favor, motion passed.

**Approve General & Highway Abstracts for August:** Sweet motioned to approve the Abstract, seconded by Miller. All in favor, motion passed. The General Fund is \$45,248.66, the Highway Fund is \$103,797.02, and the Sewer District #5 is 63,465.86.

**Clerk Comments:** The VFW has given notice of their intention to renew their liquor license.

**Police Department Comments:** Cuba Police responded to 313 calls to service in July and developed 32 cases. The Police Department handled 11 motor vehicle accidents, 5 in the Town, 3 in the Village, 3 on the Lake and 0 on I-86. There were 27 traffic summons issued (8 in the Town, 5 in the Village and 14 on the Lake and 0 on I-86). The Department also handled 0 noise complaints, 8 motorist assists, 11 vehicle lock-outs, 1 parking ticket, 18 other agency assists, and 5 domestic disputes. The department assisted the Ambulance on 9 calls. The department have been scheduling STEP (Selective Traffic Enforcement Program) grant hours dedicated to the lake area and issued several traffic citations for speeding on North, South, and West Shore roads and will continue to schedule these and utilize the free grant money awarded to help address the speeding issue on the lake. The Department assisted animal/dog control with 5 calls. The next neighborhood network meeting will be held on August 21, 2013 at the A. A. Arnold Center at 7PM. A guest speaker who was addicted to several different types of narcotics in the

past will be present. She will be on hand to discuss how t\she overcame this and some different organizations people can turn to if they are struggling with addiction.

**Ambulance Comments:** Cuba Ambulance responded to 24 calls for service in the month of July. There were 14 patients transported to Olean General and 7 sign-offs. Six calls were critical care with Cuba handling 5 and Olean -10, 1. Eight of these calls were in the Village of Cuba, 7 were in the Town of Cuba, 5 were on Cuba Lake, and 4 were in New Hudson with one mutual aid to West Clarksville.

**Highway Department Comments:**

Worked performed in July included the following services:

- Cold mix overlay on Stout Road of .9 miles and Hopkins Road of .2 miles with help from the towns of Belfast, Genesee and Hinsdale
- Hot patching on Stout, Summit and Hubbell Hill
- Graveled and graded the east portion of Farnsworth
- Finished the work at the Grange for the election polling site; waiting for County inspection
- Assisted Belfast and Hinsdale with a truck and man
- Putting up new route signs, some illegible and some stolen

Equipment Repairs:

- 2009 John Deere loader, 2 batteries and computer updates on engine and transmission
- 2010 Chevy pickup, NYS inspection. Need front brakes and tires before winter
- 2003 Sterling, ABS modulator valve replaced on brakes
- 2005 Hy-Pac roller, coupler between the engine and vibratory drive pump replaced
- 1990 Dresser grader, replaced an electric solenoid that controls transmission shifting

**Dog Control Officer Comments:**

- ❖ Three incidents of dogs running at large, dogs found two returned to owners and one to Joyful Rescues
- ❖ Served failure to license dog tickets
- ❖ Worked on dog census
- ❖ Addressed recurring complaint between neighbors
- ❖ Call from Cuba PD of a Husky injuring and killing neighbors livestock. Upon arrival everything was worked out between them
- ❖ Received a complaint of a friendly pit bull whose owner allows to run loose in the town. When complainant walks by the house, the pit bull walks with her and won't leave until she yells at it to go home, which it immediately does. Complainant asked DCO to ask the owner to keep his dog from walking with her.

**Code Enforcement Comments:**

- Wrote a letter to an insurance company over the use of railroad ties for retaining walls.
- Inspected a house on South Shore Road
- Inspected a house on Spring Street prior to someone buying it
- Inspected a house on Townline Road and issued a certificate of occupancy

- Inspected an addition on Spring Street

**Old Business:**

**Town Hall Progress:** We are currently at a standstill. There is a verbal agreement between the Town and School that the Town will take over the auxiliary building at the Elementary School. We need to wait until the formal agreement is ready to do anything. A survey needs done on transfer of lots between the Town and Karn Automotive parking lots. It is highly likely the building will be donated. Judge James Keough talked of the Justice Court Grant where we could be eligible for up to \$30,000. In order to apply, the Town needs figures for how the money would be spent. He requested we secure an architect for the layout. Highway Supt. Nease could estimate doing the parking lot and driveway. Sweet motioned to spend up to \$3,000 for Clark, Patterson & Lee to come up with layout for the Hall. Miller seconded the motion, all in favor, motion passed. This should give enough information to write the Grant and have it in on time for consideration. This information will be available for the September meeting and further discussion.

**Sewer District #5:** The final payment for the short-term loan has been made, \$51,000. Unofficially, the Seneca Nation is showing interest in hooking in to the District. There have been no official talks between the Nation and the Town.

**Willow Bank Park Progress:** The Chamber of Commerce meeting has not taken place, nothing to report.

**New Business:**

**Dog Control Alternate:** The current DCO deputy has found he no longer has enough time to dedicate to this position. After a lengthy discussion, it was determined to have DCO Richard Patterer choose another for his replacement and present his decision to the Board for approval. Miller motioned in the event he can't find someone he believes appropriate, the position will be advertised. This was seconded by Sweet, all in favor, motion passed.

**K-9 Tee Shirts:** Officers acting as private citizens wish to generate internet sales of K-9 Tee Shirts, accepting pay pal for payment. All proceeds will be donated to the K-9 Unit. Miller is looking into the legalities of this and will talk to Officer Galatio on the matter.

**Allegany County Comprehensive Plan:** After a lengthy discussion, the decision to sign off and have the County take over as the lead agency, Dahill motioned to table the decision until further investigation into what the County will be doing for Cuba specifically, seconded by Sweet. All in favor, motion passed.

Dahill motioned at 7:48 pm to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss potential litigation on sewer issues.

The board returned to the regular meeting at 8:14 pm where, with no further business to discuss, Miller motioned to adjourn, seconded by Sweet. All in favor, motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy A. Orcutt  
Town Clerk, Town of Cuba