

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, Robert Carney, Joseph Miller

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

Absent: Jeffrey Dahill

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

The meeting began with the introduction of Steve Phillips, a professional dog trainer for command dogs. Officer Aaron Wight and his German Shepherd, Kira, were the topic in the presentation. Mr. Phillips gave a detailed explanation of the training of command dogs. Officer Wight is training Kira to become a drug dog under the direction of Mr. Phillips. She is a young, people friendly, dog who is eager to learn and please her master. Kira is doing very well in the course. There was no demonstration of her abilities as she has a few weeks of training yet to complete. The Board wished to meet with Wight and his dog in the event they may wish to add to the recently established K-9 Unit. Generous public donations have funded the K-9 Unit thus far. Chief Burch noted the Town used the New York State Trooper dogs 42 times last year, and there was a need for more but unfortunately, the dogs were unavailable. He feels this is a great addition to the force as they are working dogs and they create good public relations.

Public Comments: The Cuba Lake Cottage Owners Association is sponsoring a chicken barbeque on July 6 to benefit the purchase of the defibrillators for the ambulance department. Tickets are \$8 presale and \$10 on site. Call Paula Colburn at 968-2259 or Mary Lindquist at 968-3269.

Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting 05/14/2013: Sweet motioned to accept the Minutes as presented by the Clerk, seconded by Carney. All in favor, motion passed.

Approve Supervisor's Report for May: The General Fund received \$20,793.03 and disbursed \$81,231.11; Highway Fund received \$0 and disbursed \$43,009.28. Sweet motioned to approve the Supervisor's Report, seconded by Miller. All in favor, motion passed.

Approve General & Highway Abstracts for June: Carney motioned to approve the Abstracts, seconded by Sweet. All in favor, motion passed. The General Fund is \$38,737.01, Highway Fund is \$17,276.27, and Sewer District Fund is \$1,021.82 for a total of \$57,035.10.

Clerks' Correspondence: None.

Board Comments: Miller stated he is still working on a local law to remedy the situation of cows in the roadway presenting a public safety issue.

The Village wants to know if the Town would split the cost of repairing the basketball court. Subject tabled until next meeting.

A thank you was received from the Cuba Cemetery Association for the financial help and maintenance for the cemetery.

Police Department Comments: Cuba Police responded to 305 calls to service in May and developed 34 cases. The Police Department handled 6 motor vehicle accidents, 4 in the Town, 2 in the Village, 0 on the Lake and 0 on I-86. There were 8 traffic summons issued (3 in the Town, 1 in the Village and 4 on the Lake and 0 on I-86). The Department also handled 6 noise complaints, 14 motorist assists, 9 vehicle lock-outs, 1 parking tickets, 7 other agency assists, and 4 domestic disputes. The department assisted the Ambulance on 25 calls. The Department conducted 1 car seat installation inspection and 2 pill drop offs completed. A grant for a pill drop off box is approved. It should be received in approximately 2 months.

Carney motioned to sign mutual aid for Schuyler County for the races with no expense to the Town. This was seconded by Sweet, all in favor, motion passed.

Ambulance Comments: Cuba Ambulance responded to 32 calls for service in the month of May. There were 27 patients transported to Olean General and 2 to Jones Memorial. Of these, 10 were critical care with Olean 10 handling 1 and Cuba handling 9. There were 4 sign offs. Seven calls were in the Town, 18 in the Village, 2 on the Lake, and 2 in New Hudson, and 3 mutual aids, 1 in West Clarksville, 1 in Friendship and 1 on I-86. CPR is scheduled for June 23 at 10:00am at the ambulance office.

Carney motioned to hire Sean Stephens, Seth Dunning and Shawn Day Frederick, seconded by Sweet. All in favor, motion passed. A dedicated line is needed for a fax machine for HIPPA. In order to carry narcotics, a license and lock box are necessary.

Highway Department Comments:

- Finished sweeping sand from the roads
- Graded and rolled Townline, Shaffer, Bump and the gravel section of Beebe Hill
- Hot patching asphalt roads, portion of Summit, Lower Hubbell Hill and a portion of Stout to finish
- Started mowing roadsides, most of the south side of town done
- Sluice pipe installation on Collier road
- Work on the Grange for the County Election Board completed. Cost of \$993 billable to Board of Elections
- Repaired some of the access roads in the cemetery
- The Ford F-550 is currently on Auctions International website to be sold. Auction runs until 6/27/13
- Assisted the Town of Genesee with a truck and man
- Drivers licenses review – all OK per DMV
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There has been a request for the loan of our roller to Town of Olean. Sweet motioned to sign a shared services agreement, seconded by Carney. All in favor, motion approved.

Equipment Repairs:

- Harley rake, PTO shaft yoke replaced
- 1990 Roscoe broom, engine repaired.

Dog Control Officer Comments:

- ❖ Investigated Husky running at large
- ❖ Cuba PD reported a vicious dog running at large. Unable to locate
- ❖ Multiple reports of Husky running at large. Checked all owners with Huskies, all OK. Unable to locate unidentified Husky
- ❖ Returned several dogs running at large to owners. One was unlicensed, gave owner 10 days to license.
- ❖ Informed owner that took their dog to a track meet that dogs are not allowed on school property.
- ❖ Continuing dog census
- ❖ Followed up on a dangerous dog case
- ❖ Picked up another dog running at large and returned to owner. Gave owner 10 days to license dog
- ❖ Picked up a loose dog with a leash. Returned dog and gave owner 10 days to license.

Code Enforcement Comments:

- Inspected house on Route 305
- Attended 2 hour class in Ellicottville for engineered plans
- Inspected footers for house on Spring St.

Old Business:

K-9 Program: The K-9 program is going very well. Donations have covered all expenses thus far. The program has caused no increase in any expenses.

New Business:

Sewer District #5: All paperwork submitted for the long-term loan at last. There will be one more short-term payment before the conversion.

Telephones: The Town is eligible for an upgrade for the cell phones. Deming will make an appointment to discuss the possibilities.

K-9 Memorandum of Understanding: After review of the memorandum, Sweet motioned to accept the conditions, seconded by Miller. All in favor, motion passed.

Court Furniture Bids: A single bid was received for the building of court furniture through a grant. It came from Good Trade Farms in Friendship, NY. The amount bid is \$8,500. All items will be made of mahogany. Items include a judicial bench, witness stand, and bookshelf. Miller motioned to accept the bid, seconded by Carney. All in favor, motion passed.

At 7:56 pm, Miller moved to adjourn, seconded by Carney, all approved, and adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy A. Orcutt
Town Clerk, Town of Cuba