

Regular Meeting
Of the Town Board of the Town of Cuba
 Held at the Cuba Library, 39 East Main Street, Cuba, NY

Present:

Supervisor: Barbara Deming

Council Persons: Robert Carney, Joseph Miller, Jeffrey Dahill

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

Absent: Lynnford Sweet, Council Person

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

Public Comments: Lynn Volk reminded the Board that Cuba no longer has a caucus for elected officials for the Republican Party. Petitions are circulated to get nominees on the ballot. Cuba will have to have two openings this year, one each for the office of Assessor and Highway Superintendent. There will be more information available in June as how to proceed.

Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting 01/14/2014: Carney motioned to accept the Minutes as presented. Dahill seconded, all in agreement, motion passed.

Approve Supervisor's Report for January: The Supervisor's Report showed the General Fund received \$20,850.06 and disbursed \$59,886.17; Highway Fund received \$884.39 and disbursed \$60,593.51 and Special Districts disbursed \$11,902.67. Dahill motioned to approve the Supervisor's Report as presented, seconded by Miller. All in favor, motion passed.

Approve General & Highway Abstracts for February: Dahill motioned to approve the Abstract seconded by Miller. All in favor, motion passed. The General Fund is \$428,403.01 and Highway Fund is \$64,514.71.

Board Comments: Miller set up a meeting with the DA, the Town Justices and himself to discuss the probability of hiring a Town Prosecutor to help defer funds being paid to the state to come to the Town of Cuba. He would also like to revisit the Cuba comprehensive plan that was done a few years back and see if there are some changes that can be made to improve our community. Dahill and Carney commended the Highway Department on the excellent job in maintaining the roads with all the rough weather we have experienced.

Clerk's Comments: Approximately 78% of the tax levy has been collected as of January 31. It has been an extremely busy month.

Police Department Comments: Cuba Police responded to 378 calls to service in January and developed 28 cases. The Police Department handled 22 motor vehicle accidents, 13 in the Town, 4 in the Village, 0 on the Lake and 1 on I-86. There were 11 traffic summons issued (0 in the Town, 10 in the Village.).The Department also handled 1 noise complaint,

13 motorist assists, 21 vehicle lock-outs, 17 parking tickets, 13 other agency assists, and 9 domestic disputes. The Police Department assisted the Ambulance on 9 calls. Two pill drop offs were completed and 34 business funds escorts were completed. Patrols monitored the elementary school zone 9 times.

Ambulance Comments: Cuba Ambulance responded to 25 calls for service in the month of January. Seventeen of those calls were taken to Olean General Hospital, 2 were taken to Jones Memorial Hospital and 2 were sign offs. One call was cancelled and 1 was taken by Mercy Flight. Twelve of these calls were critical care with Cuba handling 9 and Olean 10 handling 3. Eleven of these calls were in the Village of Cuba, 7 were in the Town of Cuba, 6 were in New Hudson and 1 was mutual aid to Friendship.

Highway Department Comments:

Work performed in January included the following services:

- Plowing and sanding roads 21 out of the last 31 days
- Checked for frozen crossover pipes; 3 on W. Main St. and 2 on Spring St. were opened
- Greasing and checking trucks over and making minor repairs

Equipment Repairs:

- Serviced the Mack, Peterbilt and Freightliner
- Servicing the Rosco broom
- Replaced spinners on Mack and Peterbilt
- Changed plow lights on Freightliner (under warranty)

Attached to the end of the Minutes is the Annual Report.

Dog Control Officer Comments:

- ❖ Picked up unidentified dog and took to Joyful Rescues
- ❖ Received complaint of a dog that had bit and killed another dog.
- ❖ Filed paperwork to have a dangerous dog hearing
- ❖ Possible stolen dog complaint. After investigating, determined everything was legal
- ❖ Attended dangerous dog Court Hearing.

Code Enforcement Comments:

- Met with contractor at 4231 Haskell Road about a project
- Issued permit for same address
- Received a call from owner at 4237 Route 305 about a Certificate of Occupancy on a mobile home they were putting in

Old Business:

Town Hall Progress: The survey is complete and waiting for the School's attorney to meet with the Town's attorney.

Sewer District #5: Long term loan has been finalized and expecting first payment to be in March

New Business:

STW Membership: A brief discussion resulted in maintaining the same membership level which is the basic membership plus website maintenance.

NY Class Resolution: NY Class in an investment firm for schools and municipalities. When interest rates dropped, Deming moved all but \$5,000 to a money market account for a better return. NY Class is updating policy and needs the Town to agree to the changes or they need to close the account. After a brief discussion, Miller motioned to accept the policy changes, seconded by Carney. All in favor, motion passed.

Resignation: Lynn Sweet has submitted his letter of resignation. It was regretfully accepted by the Board. Sweet has done a lot for the community, including spearheading the Sewer District #5 which runs around Cuba Lake and down Route 305 to the Village.

A motion to adjourn to executive session to discuss personnel was made by Carney and seconded by Dahill at 7:50pm. All in favor, passed.

At 8:20 pm, the meeting reopened. The appointment of a replacement for Town Board member will be decided at the March meeting due to short notice.

At 8:25pm the meeting was adjourned by Dahill's motion, Carney's second and agreement of the Board.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy A. Orcutt
Town Clerk, Town of Cuba