MINUTES OF THE FISCAL AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF THURMAN HELD JUNE 19, 2012 AT THE TOWN HALL, 311 ATHOL ROAD, ATHOL NEW YORK, COMMENCING AT 6:30 P.M...

PRESENT: MRS. EVELYN WOOD, SUPERVISOR

MR. CHARLES BILLS, COUNCILMAN

MR. LEON GALUSHA, COUNCILMAN

MR. AL VASAK, COUNCILMAN

MR. ROBERT HITCHCOCK JR., COUNCILMAN

Recording secretary: Cynthia R. Hyde, Town Clerk

**FISCAL MEETING**: The Town Board reviewed all claims.

**BOARD MEETING**: The regular town board meeting was called to order by **Evelyn Wood, Supervisor.** 

## PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

#### **ROLL CALL**

#### MOMENT OF SILENCE REMEMBERING REBBECCA HITCHCOCK

<u>APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES</u>: On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilman Bills**, the minutes were approved.

**MOTION CARRIED: 3 AYES ~ WOOD, GALUSHA, BILLS** 

#### 1 NAY ~ VASAK

<u>CLAIMS:</u> On a motion by Councilman Galusha, seconded by Councilman Vasak, payment of vouchers # 2012-356 thru 2012-428, highway fund Total \$22,005.22 and general fund total \$14,192.37.

MOTION CARRIED: 4 AYES ~ WOOD, GALUSHA, BILLS, VASAK

**LETTERS**: None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilman Vasak**, the town board went into executive session at 6:52 pm to discuss matters pertaining to an individual.

**MOTION CARRIED**: 4 AYES ~ WOOD, BILLS, GALUSHA, VASAK

On a motion by **Councilman Vasak**, seconded by **Councilman Galusha**, the town board came out of executive session at **7:08** pm with no action being taken.

**MOTION CARRIED**: 4 AYES ~ WOOD, BILLS, GALUSHA, VASAK

<u>APPOINTMENT</u>: Supervisor Wood said that two letters of interest in the vacant town board seat had been received from **Robert Hitchcock** and **Gail Seaman**.

The Town Board considered the two applicants and decided to appoint **Robert Hitchcock** to fill the town board seat for the remainder of 2012. On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilman Bills**, the Town Board approved the appointment of **Robert B. Hitchcock Jr**...

**MOTION CARRIED: 4 AYES ~ WOOD, BILLS, GALUSHA, VASAK** 

<u>OATH OF OFFICE</u>: Robert Hitchcock took the oath of office and began to fulfill his duties immediately.

<u>PROCLIMATION</u>: Supervisor Wood presented a proclamation honoring Rebecca Hitchcock. Attached

#### **REPORTS**:

- 1. Gleaning ~ July 2, 2012
- 2. Cemetery Report given by Councilman Bills
- 3. Supervisor's report given by Supervisor Wood

<u>TOWN HALL SIGN</u>: The sign selected for the front of the town hall is too large. The Town Board approved a smaller sign. On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilman Vasak**, the Town Board approved a smaller sign.

**MOTION CARRIED**: 5 AYES ~ WOOD, BILLS, GALUSHA, VASAK, HITCHCOCK

# **OLD BUSINESS**:

**Snowmobile trails: Supervisor Wood** said that a board member is needed to work with the Thurman Connection Club regarding trail connections through Thurman. **Councilman Galusha** will work with **Doug Needham** on this.

**ACO:** The animal control audit by the Department of Agriculture was satisfactory.

**Policy**: It was noted that The Town Board needs to work on policy development.

**EMS:** The Thurman EMS asked for any financial help the Town Board could possibly extend to them. The Town Board said that due to the tightly trimmed 2012 budget there were no available funds.

### **RESOLUTION #28**:

# Resolution to Appoint Representative to the Warren County Safe and Quality Bicycling Organization

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town Board appoints Cynthia Muratori as the Thurman representative to the Warren County Safe and Quality Bicycling Organization.

On a motion by **Councilman Vasak**, seconded by **Councilman Hitchcock** 

MOTION CARRIED: 5 AYES ~ WOOD, BILLS, GALUSHA, VASAK, HITCHCOCK

### **RESOLUTION #29:**

## Resolution to Appoint Cemetery Committee

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Thurman Cemetery Committee for the year 2012 shall be made up of the Cemetery Superintendent Marc Kenyon as the Chairman, Mary Wunshel as Secretary. Members of the committee are Andy Knoll, Joyce Eddy, Cheryl Kenyon, and John Santasier.

On a motion by Councilman Galusha , seconded by Councilman Bills

**MOTION CARRIED**: 5 AYES ~ WOOD, BILLS, GALUSHA, VASAK, HITCHCOCK

## RESOLUTION # 30:

## **Resolution to Declare Surplus**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town Board declares the items listed below as surplus. The Town Board will accept the highest responsible bid for these items. All items are as is. The Town Clerk shall advertise the surplus items in the official newspaper. Sealed bids should be delivered to the Town Clerk's Office by 4pm on July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012. Each sealed envelope should clearly state what item is being bid on. The Town Clerk will open the Bids on July 10<sup>th</sup> at 7pm during the Town Board meeting.

### Surplus items:

- 1 Husquvarna Riding Mower, LRH25, not running
- 1 Craftsman Riding Mower, 19.5 Hp, not running
- 1 Sylvania Surround Sound Television
- 1 25 inch Television
- 1 1968 Gradeall, not running, minimum bid of \$1,000 \$1,200

On a motion by Councilman Galusha, seconded by Councilman Vasak

# **MOTION CARRIED**: 5 AYES ~ WOOD, BILLS, GALUSHA, VASAK, HITCHCOCK

**Note**: The Town Board changed the minimum bid for the gradeall from \$1,000 to \$1,200.

### RESOLUTION #31:

#### **Resolution to Reclassify Positions**

**WHEREAS** it is necessary for employees' job titles to be properly classified for the purposes of New York State Civil Service reporting, and

**WHEREAS** the Town of Thurman has made adjustments to job duties that requires the reclassification of employee positions

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town Board makes the following reclassifications;

From: To:

PT Sanitary Landfill Attendant PT Recycling Center Attendant

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FT Laborer PT Laborer

PT Recycling Center Superintendent

On a motion by Councilman Hitchcock, seconded by Councilman Galusha

**MOTION CARRIED**: 5 AYES ~ WOOD, BILLS, GALUSHA, VASAK, HITCHCOCK

<u>RESOLUTION #32</u>: On a motion by Councilman Galusha, seconded by Councilman Bills, the town board approved the retirement system days reported for Evelyn Wood and Charles Bills. See attached resolution

<u>MOTION CARRIED</u>: 5 AYES ~ WOOD, BILLS, GALUSHA, VASAK, HITCHCOCK <u>PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR</u>:

**Mary Eddy** asked about the price of the smaller sign for the front of the town hall and about FEMA funds received.

**Delbert Chambers** asked who owned the ambulance.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilman Vasak**, the town board went into executive session at 7:54 pm to discuss matters pertaining to the Taylor law and the potential discipline of an employee.

**MOTION CARRIED: 5 AYES ~ WOOD, BILLS, GALUSHA, VASAK, HITCHCOCK** 

On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilman Vasak**, the town board came out of executive session at 8:25 pm with no action being taken.

**MOTION CARRIED**: 5 AYES ~ WOOD, BILLS, GALUSHA, VASAK, HITCHCOCK

**WALL PLAQUE: Supervisor Wood** suggested a wall plaque honoring Rebecca Hitchcock to hang in the town hall.

<u>HIGHWAY</u>: On a motion by Councilman Galusha, seconded by Councilman Bills, funds were moved from **DA5110.1** to **DA5130.2**.

**MOTION CARRIED**: 5 AYES ~ WOOD, BILLS, GALUSHA, VASAK, HITCHCOCK

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>: On a motion by Councilman Galusha, seconded by Councilman Hitchcock, the meeting was adjourned at 8:27pm.

MOTION CARRIED: 5 AYES ~ WOOD, HITCHCOCK, GALUSHA, BILLS, VASAK

**Respectfully Submitted:** 

Cynthia R. Hyde Town clerk June 27, 2012

Attached: Proclamation honoring Rebecca Hitchcock Retirement Workday Resolution

#### PROCLAMATION

## Honoring

# Rebecca Hitchcock

For Her Service to the Town of Thurman

WHEREAS, Rebecca Hitchcock was a volunteer "extraordinaire", donating hundreds of hours of her time and energy to the Town of Thurman and;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Hitchcock passed away suddenly on May 25, 2012 and; WHEREAS, Mrs. Hitchcock was a respected member of the Thurman Town Board; and

WHEREAS, Rebecca Hitchcock committed considerable amounts of time in service to her community serving on the Thurman Town Board, as Chairperson of the Occupancy Tax Committee; and

WHEREAS, Rebecca was an active leader in organizing community events including the Christmas Baskets and the Annual Maple Sugar Party here in the Town of Thurman; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Hitchcock diligently and creatively sought to better the community by participating in the Thurman Youth Commission, the Food Pantry Committee, and the Gleaning program;

NOW, THEREFORE, on behalf of the Thurman Town Board and residents of the Town of Thurman, it is an honor to express our appreciation for Rebecca Hitchcock and her service to the Town of Thurman and to dedicate a page in the Official Minutes of the Town Board of the Town of Thurman to the memory of Mrs. Hitchcock.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Town of Thurman

to be affixed this 19th day of June, 2012.

Evelyn Wood, Supervisor Town of Thurman





#### Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution RS 2417-A

(12/10)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Thurman / Location code 30812 hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the time keeping system records or the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the clark of this body:

Title	Name	Social Security Number (Last 4 digits)	Registration Number	Standard Work Day (Hrs/day)	Term Begins/Ends	Participates in Employer's Time Keeping System (Y/N)	Days/Month (based on Record of Activities)	Tier 1 (Check only if member is in Tier 1)	Not Submitted (Check box if no record of activities completed or time(keeping system)
Elected Officials		1172			70-1				
Supervisor	Evelyn M. Wood			- 6	01/01/2012-12/01/2013	N N	20		
Board Member	Charles Bills	Ŧ I		- 6	01/01/2010-12/01/2013	N	1.36		
Appointed Officials									
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If additional rows are needed, please use form RS2417-B and attach.

On this day of 20

On this	day of		(Signature of clark)				
-		, clerk of the governing board of the Tox		te of New York, do hereb	y certify that I hav		
		e original resolution passed by such board, at a such meeting, and that same is a true copy ther		day of	20		
	tify that the full boar		such members were present at such me	seting and that of su	uch members vote		

in favor of the above resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto Set my hand and the seal of the Town of Thurmen.

This document consists of \_\_\_\_\_\_page(s) (see additional RS2417-B forms attached).

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