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MINUTES OF THE FISCAL AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF THURMAN HELD JULY 10, 2012 AT THE TOWN HALL, 311 ATHOL ROAD, ATHOL NEW YORK, COMMENCING AT 6:30 P.M...

PRESENT: MR. CHARLES BILLS, COUNCILMAN
MR. LEON GALUSHA, COUNCILMAN
MR. AL VASAK, COUNCILMAN
MR. ROBERT HITCHCOCK JR., COUNCILMAN

ABSENT: MRS. EVELYN WOOD, SUPERVISOR

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 **Councilman Vasak**, Deputy Supervisor.

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

CLAIMS: On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilman Hitchcock**, payments of vouchers #2012-432, 2012-446 and 2012-450 thru 2012-483 were approved. Highway fund total \$172,052.02 ~ General fund total \$4,804.60 ~ Grand total \$176,856.62.

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

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilman Vasak**, the minutes were approved with the amendment of the Highway fund transfer on page 6 of the June 2012 regular meeting minutes. The amount transferred from DA5110.1 to DA5130.4 was **\$16,578.00**.

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

LETTERS:

Councilman Vasak read a letter from the Saratoga and North Creek railroad.
Attached

A letter from **Mitzi Wright** was given to the Town board. **Attached**

BIDS: The Town Clerk opened two bids. **Leroy Bills** bid **\$101.00** on the **Husquvarna riding lawn mower LRH25** and **Rebecca Desourdy** bid **\$151.00** on the **Sylvania television**. On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilman Hitchcock**, the town Board accepted the bid from **Leroy Bills** of **\$101.00** for the lawn mower and the bid of **\$151.00** from **Rebecca Desourdy** for the television.

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

REPORTS:

Councilman Galusha said that a New York State Snowmobile representative has been looking into the Thurman connection issue.

Councilman Vasak reported on gleaning.

Councilman Vasak said that the total expenses for the land fill this past month was \$458.00. The total revenue for the C+D was \$306.49.

LANDFILL BINS: Warren County is looking for information on landfill bins.

OLD BUSINESS: None

RESOLUTION #34:

Resolution to Enter into Intermunicipal Agreement

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Thurman enter into an Intermunicipal Agreement with Warren County Concerning the Use of the Warren County's Fuel

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Management System for the purpose of obtaining fuel and hereby ratifies the signature of the Supervisor with regard to this contract.

On a motion by **Councilman Hitchcock**, seconded by **Councilman Bills**, the town board approved resolution #34.

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

RESOLUTION #35:

Resolution to Establish Petty Cash

WHEREAS the Town of Thurman sells garbage bags and collects fees for disposal of nonprocessible and C&D materials at the town's recycling center, and

WHEREAS employees must make change when collecting these fees,

BEIT RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby established petty cash in the amount of \$25.00 for the Recycling Center, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the petty cash shall be accounted for each Tuesday, excepting holidays.

On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilman Bills**, the town board approved resolution #35.

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

RESOLUTION #36:

Resolution to Enter Into Memorandum of Understanding

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Thurman Town Board authorize Supervisor Wood to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the Employees Union regarding the current contract

On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilman Hitchcock**, the town board approved resolution #36.

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

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PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Richard Klein asked if the town board had resolved their issue with elected assessors or sole appointed assessor.

Councilman Vasak replied that the town board wanted to sit on that issue for a while.

Joyce Eddy said that she saw the issue of the town board setting the office hours of the town clerk on the agenda.

Paula Hubert added that a public hearing had been held about the town clerk office hours and people said what they thought.

Councilman Vasak said that there wasn't a problem anymore.

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by **Councilman Hitchcock**, seconded by **Councilman Galusha**, the meeting was adjourned at 7:02 pm.

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

Respectfully Submitted:

Cynthia R. Hyde
Town clerk

Attached:
Thank you letter
Mitzi Wright letter



THANK YOU

With sincere appreciation to
The Supervisor and people of the town
of Thurman
For all they did and all they do to show tribute to our
active duty service men & women and our veterans
on Memorial Day weekend 2012

*A special THANK you from the railroad
team of the Saratoga & North Creek
Railway for your demonstration of
patriotism in the Hats Off to Veterans
program on May 26, 2012. We
appreciate you and thank you for
decorating the train platform showing
honor and gratitude to those who serve
our country—past, present and future.*

Susan Wilder, SNC associate



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TOWN CLERK: Please include this correspondence in your minutes and read at next monthly meeting if allowed by the new rules.....

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Miss Wood.

Thanks so much, Evelyn, for the prompt reply.
Now how about some answers.....

Is there a contract with Rainmaker (as authorized by town vote.....)?

Is there a contract with Neul/Carlson, Carlson Wireless, and/or Carlson/Neul?

And for WHAT AMOUNT?

And from WHAT grant are we getting this money? I understand...Les explicitly told me that there was nothing in writing that I could request by FOIL.
You must have something in writing.....grant money doesn't get infused by osmosis...at best a time frame for spendingwhat ? an unspecified amount of money?

Of course you remember we've heard "grant" money to fix our roads for over a year now.....

We understand the want for high speed. We appreciate your attempt to get it for the town folks. We also question the approval of a capital project just at the amount that wouldn't require it be **sent out to bid**.

I hate to bring up old history, but like last year when **you** scheduled the Lumberjacks before the TOWN BOARD knew anything about it.....we were scheduled on their webste...remember? Just sayin'

We all, townwide, wish you the best on your climb up.....but for right now.....keep in mind , please....that you were elected by a very very narrow margin of the town folks.

Sincerely,
Mitzi Wright
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Warrensburg, NY 1285