

May 22, 2013

The regular meeting of the Amsterdam Town Board was held on Wednesday, May 22, 2013 at Town Hall, 283 Manny's Corners Road, Amsterdam, NY 12010.

Present: Thomas P. DiMezza, Supervisor
Bart A. Tessiero, Councilman
Terry Bieniek, Councilman
Alexander Kuchis, Councilman
Kenneth Krutz, Councilman
Linda Bartone Hughes, Town Clerk
Charles R. Schwartz, Town Attorney

Others: Nancy Carr-YMCA, John Hassfurter & Highway Superintendent Dave Thibodeau.

Supervisor Thomas DiMezza opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with a salute to the Flag.

Public Comment – None

Councilman Tessiero asked if we have received a report on the Sewer Study I & I. Supervisor DiMezza reports he did speak with Larry about a meter on the Golf Course. There is a problem with meter plugging up and giving us inaccurate information. The replacement meter may cost about \$20,000. A full report will be prepared for next month.

59 Res. APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS, ABSTRACT #5

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board, Town of Amsterdam approves payment of May Vouchers #306 & # 307 Handwritten Check-National Grid & United States Postal System), and #308 - #366 as follows:

A Fund	\$ 20,238.30	B Fund	\$ 27,266.34	DB Fund	\$ 30,601.95
SS Fund	\$ 6,312.81	HWD Fund	\$ 578.20	Escrow	\$ 1,823.00

Total Amount \$ 86,820.60

Sponsored by: Councilman Bart Tessiero
Seconded by: Councilman Alexander Kuchis
ADOPTED-5-AYES-0-NOES

The only check that doesn't appear on Abstract is YMCA. It will appear on next month's abstract and reports.

60 Res. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board, Town of Amsterdam approves minutes from April 17, 2013 as submitted.

Sponsored by: Councilman Alexander Kuchis

Seconded by: Councilman Kenneth Krutz

ADOPTED-5-AYES-0-NOES

Presentation Amsterdam Family YMCA

Supervisor DiMezza thanked Nancy Carr, Director of YMCA and John Hassfurter for attending tonight. Supervisor DiMezza expressed appreciation to Town Clerk for getting the ball rolling setting up, advertising and passing along information for the cleanup.

Also, appreciates assistance from Dave Thibodeau and highway employees for working on Saturday unloading and separating rubbish. It's better to have rubbish brought here then to find on the side of a highway. We do collect a lot of metal. Councilman Tessiero suggested we donate the scrape metal to YMCA in support of their scrap metal drive. Supervisor DiMezza presented Nancy Carr with a check for \$851.00. Nancy Carr thanked the Town Board for the donation. She explained it's sometimes challenging getting the word out about the YMCA tucked away in Hagaman. This will be so helpful and well spent for summer camp.

61 Res. RESOLUTION REQUESTING SPEED LIMIT REDUCTION ON
BENDICK CORNERS ROAD, TOWN OF AMSTERDAM

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Town Board, Town of Amsterdam requests the County Department of Public Works initiate a study to reduce speed limit on Bendick Corners Road, Town of Amsterdam between NYS Route 67 and Montgomery/Fulton County line.

Sponsored by: Councilman Bart Tessiero

Seconded by: Councilman Kenneth Krutz

ADOPTED-5-AYES-0-NOES

62 Res. RESOLUTION TO NAME BEACON INSURANCE AGENCY – JOHN
MANCINI AS BROKER OF RECORD FOR LIABILITY INSURANCE

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Town Board, Town of Amsterdam names Beacon Insurance Agency – John Mancini as Broker of Record for liability insurance.

Sponsored by: Councilman Bart Tessiero

Seconded by: Councilman Alexander Kuchis

ADOPTED-5-AYES-0-NOES

63 Res. RESOLUTION TO SCHEDULE REVIEW OF RECORDS FOR TOWN CLERK, TAX COLLECTOR AND TOWN SUPERVISOR FOR WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 2013 AT 6:15 P.M.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Town Board, Town of Amsterdam schedules review of records for Town Clerk, Tax Collector and Town Supervisor for Wednesday, June 19, 2013 at 6:15 p.m.

Sponsored by: Councilman Bart Tessiero
Seconded by: Councilman Kenneth Krutz
ADOPTED-5-AYES-0-NOES

Update Property Maintenance

Councilman Kuchis expressed concern about possible violations at abandoned properties. One property on Hammonds town Road is not in violation of zoning laws. With regard to the other abandoned properties, the zoning officer reports he is trying to track down mortgage companies to clean up properties. Supervisor DiMezza hopes the proposed law is passed and it would require mortgage holders to provide contact information.

Councilman Bieniek expressed concern about used car lot on Route 30. At the rear of property all the broken down junk cars are just sitting there. There are about ten unusable cars. Supervisor DiMezza said we will have Zoning Officer take a look at this. This property went through site plan review. We will get this property cleaned up.

64 Res. AUTHORIZE TOWN CLERK TO ADVERTISE SEALED BIDS FOR ASPHALT PAVING FOR WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19TH FOR TOWN BOARD MEETING

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Town Board, Town of Amsterdam authorizes Town Clerk to advertise sealed bids for Asphalt Paving for June 19th Town Board Meeting.

Sponsored by: Councilman Terry Bieniek
Seconded by: Kenneth Krutz
ADOPTED-5-AYES-0-NOES

65 Res. ADOPTION OF AMENDED FIRE INSPECTION FEE SCHEDULE FOR 2013

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Town Board, Town of Amsterdam adopts the following amended fire inspection fee schedule:

Assembly Occupancies	
**100-1,000 person or 100-700 with a stage	\$ 25.00
**over 1,000 persons or 700 with a stage	\$ 50.00
Business, Industrial, Storage & Warehouse	
(up to 20,000 sq ft)	\$ 25.00
(over 20,000 sq ft)	\$ 50.00
Hazardous Facilities (any size)	\$ 75.00
Educational Daycare	\$25.00
Nursing Home	\$75.00
(up to 20,000 sq ft)	\$ 50.00
(over 20,000 sq ft)	\$100.00
Hospital, Churches, Foster Homes & Vol. Fire Dept's	No Fee
Any Business Not Listed	\$ 25.00
Storage Tanks (removal or installation)	\$ 25.00
Alarm System Installations	\$ 25.00
Chimney Inspections	\$25.00

** Note not to exceed \$200.00

Sponsored by: Councilman Bart Tessiero
 Seconded by: Councilman Kenneth Krutz
 ADOPTED-5-AYES-0-NOES

66 Res. HIRE BAUER APPRAISAL GROUP, INC. FOR APPRAISALS AS
 NEEDED BASED ON RECOMMENDATION OF TOWN ATTORNEY

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Town Board, Town of Amsterdam hires Bauer
 Appraisal Group, Inc. for appraisals as needed based on recommendation of Town
 Attorney.

Late Items

67 Res. WAIVE WATER & SEWER PENALTIES FOR PARCEL 25.13-1-8
 OWNED BY SUSAN LAMANNA VERZULLI

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Town Board, Town of Amsterdam waives the water penalties of \$2.88 and sewer penalties of \$5.76 for Parcel No. 25.13-1-8 owned by Susan Lamanna Verzulli.

Sponsored by: Councilman Alexander Kuchis
Seconded by: Kenneth Krutz
ADOPTED-5-AYES-0-NOES

68 Res. ADJUSTMENT OF SEWER BILL FOR ROSE INDUSTRIES, LLC –
PARCEL NO. 24.16-1-12.2 DUE TO ASSESSMENT REDUCTION BY
COURT ORDER

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Town Board, Town of Amsterdam approves adjustment of sewer bill to reduce by \$116.94 for Rose Industries, LLC, Parcel No. 24.16-1-12.2 due to assessment reduction by court order.

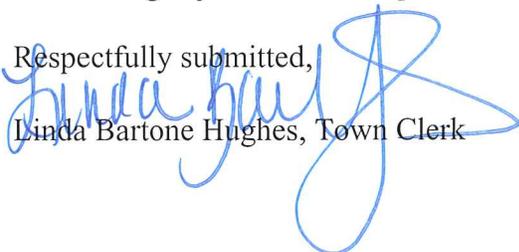
Sponsored by: Councilman Bart Tessiero
Seconded by: Councilman Alexander Kuchis
ADOPTED-5-AYES-0-NOES

Councilman Tessiero reports that he prepared a sketch together with specs for a camera system at Town Hall. Four vendors were contacted. The Town Clerk will provide everyone with copies. This will be reviewed at the June meeting. Everyone that looked at facility suggested removing shrubbery. Supervisor DiMezza said some of shrubbery is already removed. This was discussed with Town Justice Deborah Slezak to discuss any restrictions they may have.

Councilman Tessiero suggests we need to have some type of agreement with Town of Amsterdam and Friends of Sanford Farm. Supervisor DiMezza believes an agreement is on file. Councilman Tessiero wants to know how it works. Are they required to ask for permission to use facility. Town Attorney said they are tenants. It's a shared agreement. Supervisor DiMezza said they don't really have to request permission. Councilman Bieniek suggested keeping a calendar. Supervisor DiMezza said they are not the owner. Councilman Tessiero asked if the Broodmare Barn can be used for a public event. We don't have rules or regulations. The Board continued discussion.

Councilman Bieniek asked if we are going to respond to letter from Teamsters concerning insurance. Supervisor DiMezza suggests it needs to go to arbitration.

On a motion by Councilman Bart Tessiero and seconded by: Councilman Terry Bieniek, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Bartone Hughes, Town Clerk