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## **December 27, 2007**

The Town Board of the Town of Corinth held a regular meeting on December 27, 2007 at 4:00 PM at the Town Hall.

Present: Richard Lucia, Supervisor  
Charles Brown, Councilman  
John Major, Councilman  
Edward Byrnes, Councilman  
Mitchell Saunders, Councilman  
Shawn Eggleston, Deputy Highway Superintendent  
Fred Mann, Code Enforcement Officer  
Rose E. Farr, Town Clerk

Public: Robin Schumacher, Sigrid Koch, Jim Murray, Sr.

After Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance the following business was conducted:

### **ROBIN SCHUMACHER**

Robin Schumacher gave a presentation to the Board regarding the sign maker at the Town Highway Garage. She told the Town Board that she had tried to teach the sign maker to certain members of the Highway Department without success. She said that she would operate the sign maker for 20 hours a week at the rate of \$20.87 per hour (her hourly pay from the State of New York). Deputy Highway Superintendent Eggleston said that the Highway Department can make the basic signs okay but they can not make the specialty signs that go on the trucks, etc. He said nobody at the Highway Department is computer savvy. Ms. Schumacher said that she can print the signs for about \$2.25 to \$4.25 a sign where Adirondack Highway charges approximately \$25.00. The board asked Deputy Highway Superintendent if it was necessary to have somebody making signs 20 hours a week. Deputy Highway Superintendent Eggleston said not 20 hours a week all the time. Ms. Schumacher said that 20 hours was just a ballpark figure she didn't feel she would have to work 20 hours every week maybe 20 hours a month. Ms. Schumacher said that Village Trustee Denno spoke to her about signs and perhaps the Village could buy their signs from the Town to offset her salary. After a lengthy discussion Supervisor Lucia suggested that Ms. Schumacher write up a quote and present it to board for them to mull over. Councilman Saunders suggested that someone check with the Village to see if they would be willing to buy signs from the Town. Ms. Schumacher suggested that if the Village buy signs that it be DPW only because if it were all Village Departments then she would be working solely for the Fire Department making their signs.

### **SMART GROWTH GRANT**

Supervisor Lucia told the board that he was contacted this morning to attend a meeting with the Village regarding a Smart Growth Grant that they are applying for. He said that the Village is requesting that the Town join them in this grant and if the Town Board decides to join the Village a resolution must be passed tonight as the grant application must be sent in by tomorrow. Each Board member was given a copy of the proposed resolution and that Smart Growth Grant.

Councilman Saunders said that he believed this grant was discussed several meetings ago by the Village. He asked why the Village waited until the eleventh hour to ask that the Town join in this grant.

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Supervisor Lucia told the board that this type of grant was discussed last year at the Association of Towns school in New York City last year. He said that at school they told the Supervisors that this type of grant was something that should be entered into.

After a lengthy discussion Councilman Byrnes said he thought the grant looked like a grant for marketing the Corinth Mills Industrial Park and the Wilderness Corridor. Councilman Major said that he sees that the grant involves the public and public forum. Councilman Saunders said that he was just surprised about receiving the grant at the eleventh hour it would not be done with any other entity. He said the timing is of a concern to him. Councilman Major said he agreed with Councilman Saunders. Councilman Byrnes said that he sees no cost to the Town. He said everyone wants the Industrial Park and to market the Wilderness Corridor. He said he agrees the Village should have told the Town about this before the last day.

Councilman Saunders asked why they needed to vote now since the deadline date in the grant is January 18, 2008. Councilman Saunders telephoned R. Michael N'dolo, The person who wrote the grant for the Village, to ask him that question. Mr. N'dolo told Councilman Saunders that the deadline for the grant is in fact January 18, 2008 but he wanted to send it in by December 28, 2007. He said that if the Town Board did not pass the resolution that he at least needed a letter of intent by tomorrow. Councilman Saunders suggested the that the board take a chance to read the grant and then act on it at their January 10, 2008 meeting. Councilman Byrnes said that he was ready to act on the grant at this time. Councilman Brown said that he is ready to sign tonight if necessary. Councilman Major said that he was ready to vote but if any other member of the board felt they needed more time to go over the grant he would go along with that. Supervisor Lucia said that he agreed with Councilman Byrnes and Councilman Brown. Councilman Saunders said that he would like more time to review the grant.

**RESOLUTION #283**  
**ISSUE LETTER OF INTENT FOR SMART GROWTH GRANT**

A motion was made by Councilman Brown, seconded by Councilman Major and the following resolution was

ADOPTED    Ayes    5            Lucia, Brown, Major, Byrnes and Saunders  
                 Nays    0

RESOLVED that Supervisor Lucia be instructed to send the following Letter of Intent to DEC regarding the intent of the Town of Corinth to join the Village of Corinth in a Smart Growth Grant:

**TOWN OF CORINTH**



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Corinth, New York 12822  
Phone: 518-654-9232  
FAX: 518-654-7751

**SUPERVISOR**  
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Email: [supervisor@townofcorinth.com](mailto:supervisor@townofcorinth.com)

**TOWN BOARD MEMBERS**  
Charles Brown  
John Major  
Edward Byrnes  
Mitchell Saunders

**TOWN COUNSEL**  
Robert Hafner  
518-793-6611

**TOWN CLERK**  
Rose E. Farr  
518-654-9232 ext 1

**HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT**  
Shawn Eggleston  
518-654-6962

**ASSESSOR**  
Mary Ellen Hill-Pierce  
518-654-9232 ext 3

**BUILDING INSPECTOR /  
CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER /  
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR**  
Fred Mann  
518-654-9232 ext 5

**TOWN JUSTICES**  
Lane Schermerhorn  
Ambrose Clothier  
518-654-9232 ext 4

**PLANNING BOARD**  
Louise Reed  
518-654-9232 ext 6

**ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER**  
Delbert Clothier  
518-361-0943

**ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**  
William Clarke  
518-654-9232 ext 5

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Commissioner Alexander B. Grannis  
c/o Adirondack Park Community Smart Growth Program  
NYS Department of Environmental Conservation  
625 Broadway  
Albany, NY 12233-4250

RE: Village of Corinth's Smart Growth Grant Application

Dear Commissioner:

On behalf of the Town of Corinth, please accept this letter as proof of our intent to convene a Town Board meeting on January 10<sup>th</sup> and vote on a resolution naming the Town of Corinth as co-applicant on the Village of Corinth's 2007 Adirondack Park Community Smart Growth grant application.

Following our meeting on January 10<sup>th</sup>, we will forward on to your office a certified copy of said resolution.

Sincerely,

*Richard B. Lucia*  
Richard Lucia  
Town Supervisor

**SUPERVISOR**

Supervisor Lucia reminded the Town Board that Town's Re-Organizational Meeting will be held on January 3, 2008 with 6:30PM Audit/7:00 PM Swearing In and then the meeting.

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**LETTER OF CREDIT**

Supervisor Lucia gave the Town Board a copy of a letter from the Town of Corinth Planning Board with a Cost Estimate for a Letter of Credit for Babson Homes. Supervisor Lucia asked Deputy Highway Superintendent Eggleston if he was satisfied with the figure of \$200,000.00 for the roads at Babson Homes Subdivision. Deputy Highway Superintendent Eggleston told the board that he was satisfied. Town Clerk Farr told the board that this was not an official Letter of Credit only an Estimate. Supervisor Lucia said that the letter states that Clark Wilkinson, the engineer for Babson Homes, would possibly wish to meet with the Town Board regarding the Letter of Credit in February. Chairperson Reed told the board that the Town's engineer, Robert Lockwood, had already look at this and was satisfied with the \$200,000/00 figure.

**RESOLUTION #284**  
**ACCEPT LETTER OF CREDIT AMOUNT**

A motion was made by Councilman Brown, seconded by Councilman Major and the following resolution was

ADOPTED    Ayes    5            Lucia, Brown, Major, Byrnes and Saunders  
                 Nays    0

RESOLVED that the Town Board agree that the amount of \$200,000.00 be acceptable for the Letter of Credit on Babson Homes.

**SUPERVISOR**

Supervisor Lucia told the Town Board that the next joint meeting with the school, village and town will be held on January 8, 2008 at 7:00 PM and there must be an RSVP by January 4, 2008.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

None

**CODE ENFORCEMENT**

Code Enforcement Officer Mann told the board that he received a call about Brignola's Trailer Park. He said he was told that there was no chloringe in the water. He said he spoke to Department of Health and they told him that they were informed that trailer 1 in the park was condemned and therefore there were only four trailers making Department of Health have no jurisdiction. Coe Enforcement Mann told Department of Health that no trailer had been condemned and therefore Department of Health still has jurisdiction. He said that Mike Kovachi said that he would take water samples and deliver them to the Department of Health. He also said that the septic would be pumped out today.

**RESOLUTION #28552**  
**MOTION TO PAY BILLS AS AUDITED WITH NO EXCEPTION**

On a motion of Councilman Major and seconded by Councilman Brown, the following resolution was

ADOPTED    Ayes 5            Lucia, Brown, Major, Byrnes and Saunders  
                 Nays 0

RESOLVED that the board pays bills as audited with any exceptions as follows:

Vouchers For 12/07/07

General Fund/Town Wide – A:

#20071793, 1797-1805, 1810-1820, 1831-1832, 1839

\$32,400.24

General Fund/Outside Village – B:

#20071794, 1806-1808, 1821-1823, 1833-1834

\$6,911.11

Community Development Grant – CD:

\$0

Highway/Town Wide – DA:

\$0

Highway/Part Town – DB:

#20071824-1830, 1835

\$21,997.23

Capital Project/Landfill Upgrades – H1:

\$0

Fire Protection – SF:

\$0

Street Lighting – SL:

P#20071836-1838

\$636.60

Sewer/Water – SW:

\$0

Trust & Agency – TA:

#20071795-1796, 1809

\$1,069.44

Scenic Train –

#172-173

\$10,519.28

Depot Restoration –

\$0

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With no further business, on a motion of Councilman Brown and seconded by Councilman Saunders the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 PM to bill paying AND Executive Session on a particular person with no decision being made. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Rose E. Farr, RMC  
Town Clerk