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OCTOBER 1, 2009

The Town Board of the Town Of Corinth held a workshop meeting on October 1, 2009 at 4:00 pm at the Town Hall.

Present: Richard Lucia, Supervisor
Charles Brown, Councilman
John Major, Councilman
Mitchell Saunders, Excused
Fred Mann, Code Enforcement Officer
Rose E. Farr, Town Clerk

Arrived Late: Edward Byrnes, Councilman

Excused: Shawn Eggleston, Highway Superintendent

Public Present: Jim Murray and Sigrid Koch.

After roll call by the Town Clerk the following business was conducted:

First Study Group Meeting

Supervisor Lucia told the board that the first meeting of the Corinth Shared Services/Merger Feasibility Study Committee was held on Wednesday night. Supervisor Lucia said that he thought the group was a good diversity and would work together very well.

Invitation

Supervisor Lucia told the board that they were all invited to an Open House offered by Captain Youth Staff and Board Members at their Malta facility on Tuesday, October 6, 2009.

Basket in Council Room

Supervisor Lucia said that things for the Board's review are going to be left in the basket in the Council Room. He told the board that after reading the communication each board member is to sign the top sheet. Supervisor Lucia said this would save having to make so many copies.

Railroad Letters

Supervisor Lucia told the Town Board that they have copies of two letters he recently received Attorney Lemery and Sean Robbins from the Comptroller's office. Supervisor Lucia said that the project now has a number and it has been approved by the Office of the State Comptroller. Supervisor Lucia said that it was expected that the grant would be signed by the Comptroller near the end of November so this is a head of schedule.

RESOLUTION #223

TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS

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

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ADOPTED Ayes 4 Lucia, Brown, Major, and Saunders
 Nays 0

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the transfer of the following funds:

Transfer \$520.69 from 51421.04 (Snow Removal – Personal Services) to 51101.04 (General Repairs – Personal Service) for Highway payroll.

Increase Appropriation Account 51304.04 in the amount of \$7.72 for credit refund from Northern Tool & Equipment

Increase Appropriations Account 51122.04 (CHIPS) in the amount of \$26,702.69 and Revenue Account 3501.04 (State Aid/CHIPS) in the amount of \$18,702.69 for NYS DOT CHIPS payment received in the amount of \$76,702.69.

New Committee First Meeting

Supervisor Lucia told the Town Board that the first meeting of the Land Use Update Committee would be held on October 20th at 7PM. He said that the Town Board should be present at this meeting so that it could be explained to the committee what was expected of them. Supervisor Lucia told Councilman Saunders that he would be the liaison between this committee and the Town Board. Supervisor Lucia asked Councilman John Major if he would create a mission statement for the new committee. Councilman Major said that he was honored to be asked but thought that Councilman Saunders should be asked to do this. Supervisor Lucia said that he should have asked Councilman Saunders and was sorry that he did not. He asked Councilman Saunders if he would prepare a mission statement and suggested that Councilman Saunders contact Jim Martin from the LA Group to assist in the mission statement.

Councilman Byrnes arrived at 4:10 PM.

RESOLUTION #224

MOTION TO PAY BILLS AS AUDITED WITH NO EXCEPTION

On a motion of Councilman Byrnes 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

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Abstracts For 10/01/09

General Fund/Town Wide – A:

\$15,004.20

General Fund/Outside Village – B:

\$583.61

Community Development Grant – CD:

\$0

Highway/Town Wide – DA:

\$0

Highway/Part Town – DB:

\$33,341.29

Capital Project/Landfill Upgrades – H1:

\$0

Fire Protection – SF:

\$0

Street Lighting – SL:

\$0

Sewer/Water – SW:

\$0

Trust & Agency – TA:

\$72,556.55

Scenic Train –

\$0

Town of Corinth Railroad –

\$0

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Supervisor Lucia told Councilman Byrnes that Councilman Saunders had suggested that the Town Board meetings scheduled for 4:00 PM be changed to 4:30 PM so that Councilman Byrnes could make them with his work time at his new job. Councilman Byrnes said that he could take a half hour vacation time each meeting and be to the meeting on time. Supervisor Lucia said that Councilman Saunders said he didn't think Councilman Byrnes should have to use his vacation time for that. Councilman Byrnes told the board that he did not want to make them change the meeting just for him. Supervisor Lucia told him that this should be discussed further.

Councilman Saunders asked about the railroad and the article in the Post Star earlier this week about Warren County Railroad. He also asked about the committee that included Warren County, Town of Corinth, etc. Supervisor Lucia told the board that when Kirsten Gillibrand was here sand since she has moved up no one has continued the committee. Councilman Saunders asked if when the grant money comes through, is Antone Mountain Road crossing going to be the last to get done. Supervisor Lucia said he had not thought of that but that might be what should happen.

Councilman Brown told the board that he gave each member a copy of a Town Hall Evacuation Plan. He asked that everybody look at that and get back to him. Town Clerk Farr said that the Supervisor's office also has a safe and Lisa should be responsible for making sure that is shut. Councilman Brown said that when nobody expected it there would be a Town Hall evacuation.

Councilman Brown said that he had gone to a Special Needs meeting on the H1N1. He said that they are taking this very seriously. A discussion was had between the members regarding the vaccine and what can be expected.

Councilman Major asked about the health quotes that we given at last week's meeting. Councilman Saunders said he did not understand what he got. Supervisor Lucia told him that the plan that most of the town employees have now is not being offered this next year. He said that our insurance people are still looking at different avenues and will be meeting with the Town Board again. Supervisor Lucia said that a gentleman from NYMIR will be coming to speak to the board later in the month. A discussion on the health care programs that were presented to the Town Board followed.

Code Enforcement

None

Town Clerk

Town Clerk Farr showed the Town Board a copy of the program that was given out earlier today at the dedication of the Arthur "mo" Wright Senior/Community Center in Hadley. She said that Laurie Crossman attended this dedication representing the Town of Corinth due to the fact that the Supervisor and Town Clerk had this board meeting.

RESOLUTION #225

MOTION TO ADJOURN TO BILL PAYING

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On a motion made by Councilman Byrnes and seconded by Councilman Saunders and the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Lucia, Brown, Major, and Saunders
 Nays 0

RESOLVED that the board adjourns to bill paying.

RESOLUTION #226

MOTION TO ADJOURN TO BUDGET WORKSHOP

On a motion made by Councilman Byrnes and seconded by Councilman Saunders and the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Lucia, Brown, Major, and Saunders
 Nays 0

RESOLVED that 4:40 PM the board adjourns to Budget Workshop after completion of bill paying.

Respectfully submitted,

Rose E. Farr, RMC
Town Clerk