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December 17, 2009

The Town Board of the Town Of Corinth held a regular meeting on December 17, 2009 at 4:30PM at the Town Hall.

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

Public: Jim Murray, Sigrid Koch, Beverly Jacon

After Roll Call the following business was conducted:

Mail Box Entries:

Supervisor Lucia said that his secretary has asked that they try a new system with in-house mail, in order to avoid items not being seen for weeks Supervisor Lucia said the new system will work as such; correspondence will be placed in Councilman Browns box, Councilman Brown will read, sign and place into Councilman Byrnes box onto Councilman Major and then to Councilman Saunders who will return it to the Supervisors secretary. Councilman Byrnes said that would save a lot of paper. Councilman Major said it was a good idea.

Sales Tax:

Supervisor Lucia said the sales tax was up for the month, but overall still under for the year. Supervisor Lucia said for this month the Town of Corinth received \$54,447.00.

Mortgage Tax:

Supervisor Lucia said the Mortgage tax for the month of November was \$9,695.00 and he has not received Decembers yet.

Saratoga County IDA Minutes:

Supervisor Lucia said the October minutes reflect when the Village of Corinth went and spoke with them at the IDA meeting about the study for their water system.

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Tax Levies out:

Supervisor Lucia said that the towns' rate goes up a little bit every time because the County adds a little; and the County general, Consolidated Health, Self Insurance and Election expenses are all reflective of this.

County Resolutions on Re-Levies:

Supervisor Lucia said the Town of Corinth re-levies on school taxes were down by almost 70,000.00 compared to last year and the Village re-levies increased slightly.

Consultant Ad:

Supervisor Lucia said the town had placed an ad in the paper for a consultant. Supervisor Lucia said that he had received a phone call from Mr. Kelly who had applied for this position and asked to withdraw his application. Mr. Kelly had accepted a position with International Paper Company as their Industrial Aid person. Mr. Kelley felt it would be a conflict of interest; however he did recommend Ken Green who has since that time submitted his application which is before the board this evening. Supervisor Lucia said the last day to accept applications for this position is tomorrow. Councilman Byrnes asked if there had been any other applications submitted. Supervisor Lucia said no. Supervisor Lucia said the positive about Mr. Green's application is that he will have the time to put towards this, as his employment in Glens Falls has been scaled back to a part time position. Councilman Major said that was a very good point as he was reviewing the résumé before him. Overall the Town Board was satisfied with Mr. Green's resume.

Christmas Luncheon:

Supervisor Lucia said the Town Hall would be closing at 12:00 noon tomorrow for the annual Christmas party which is being held at Molly's Mason Jar.

Reorganizational Meeting:

Supervisor Lucia said the Town's reorganizational meeting will be held on January 07, 2010. At 6:30 pm the Town Board will do the auditing of the books and swearing in. At 7:00 pm the board will be doing the organizational and the only other item on the agenda will be a bill pay. Supervisor Lucia said that County Reorganizational will be on January 4, 2010 at 11:30 am.

Workshop with Beaver Issues:

Supervisor Lucia said it had not been possible to get together to address this issue before the holidays, but he does have a date set for January 5, 2010 at 4:00pm. It will be a special workshop with two Attorneys, the Highway, Engineers and the Town Board.

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Public Comment:

Supervisor Lucia asked if there were any members of the public present that wanted to speak.

Jim Murray said Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to the Town Board and all present.

Town Board:

Councilman Brown said he wanted to reiterate what Jim Murray said as it was the last meeting of the year and he hopes all have a good time at the Christmas luncheon.

Councilman Major just wanted to know if the Supervisor was content with the employee handbook. Supervisor Lucia said he was.

Councilman Byrnes said Captain Youth will be present to meet with the Town Board at the January 14th meeting and wished all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Supervisor Lucia asked Councilman Byrnes if he had addressed the issues with the Emergency Squad. Councilman Byrnes said there were definitely issues that needed to be addressed and he would be doing that at their next meeting.

Town Clerk Farr and Code Enforcement Officer Mann wished all present Happy Holidays and to be safe.

Supervisor Lucia said he has not received a formal letter in the mail yet; but he spoke with Jerry Regal and they have formally shut down their operation for the winter, and they did get a lot done up to this point. Supervisor Lucia said he spoke to Attorney Hafner in regards to the IDA and on Monday the 21st the release will be signed and they were very pleased with the way that Attorney Hafner wrote it up. Supervisor Lucia said the emphasis is on keeping that spur to the mill.

RESOLUTION # 270

ADJOURN TO BILL PAYING

A motion by Councilman Byrnes and seconded by Councilman Brown the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Lucia, Brown, Major, Byrnes
 Nays 0

RESOLVED that the board adjourns to bill paying

RESOLUTION # 271

MOTION TO PAY BILLS AS AUDITED WITH NO EXCEPTIONS

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

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

Resolved that the board pay the bills as audited with any exceptions as follows:

Abstracts For 12/17/09

<u>General Fund/Town Wide – A:</u>	\$38,609.15
<u>General Fund/Outside Village – B:</u>	\$3,158.59
<u>Community Development Grant – CD:</u>	\$0
<u>Highway/Town Wide – DA:</u>	\$0
<u>Highway/Part Town – DB:</u>	\$36,593.81
<u>Capital Project/Landfill Upgrades – H1:</u>	\$468.35
<u>Fire Protection – SF:</u>	\$0
<u>Street Lighting – SL:</u>	\$0
<u>Sewer/Water – SW:</u>	\$5,962.50
<u>Trust & Agency – TA:</u>	\$60,872.31
<u>Scenic Train –</u>	\$0
<u>Town of Corinth Railroad –</u>	\$0

MOTION TO ADJOURN

On a motion by Councilman Major and seconded by Councilman Byrnes the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheri Sullivan
Deputy Town Clerk