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**MARCH 24, 2011**

The Town Of Corinth Town Board held a regular meeting on March 24, 2011 at 4:30 PM at the Town Hall.

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

Public: Ray Bush, Jim Murray, Sr., Marc Rich and Sigrid Koch

After roll call and Pledge of Allegiance the following business was transacted:

Supervisor Lucia gave the Town Board copies of the February 17, 2011 Saratoga County Planning Board minutes.

Supervisor Lucia told the board about a new committee that has been formed in Saratoga County. He said that the Saratoga County Citizens Committee For Mental Health (SCCMH) distributes grant money throughout the calendar year to non-profit agencies and programs in Saratoga County so they can enrich existing programs and expand services for people with mental illness. Supervisor Lucia said recent grants by the SCCMH were awarded to Shelters of Saratoga, Transitional Services, Saratoga Bridges, and the Saratoga Mental Health Clinic. He said the grants enabled these organizations to develop programs, provide training, or expand services that directly addressed the needs of people with mental illness in Saratoga County.

Supervisor Lucia reported that the Town of Corinth's sales tax for March 2011 was \$49,184.00.

Supervisor Lucia told the board members that he and Code Enforcement Officer Mann attended a meeting with Dr. Starr at the school recently regarding the property the school owns on Route 9n south of the village. He said that the meeting was an informational meeting with questions and answers.

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**RESOLUTION #127**

**RATES OF PAY FOR NEWLY HIRED EMPLOYEES**

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

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

RESOLVED that the salaries for the newly appointed town employees will be as follows:

Deputy Town Clerk - \$9.50 per hour for the first year; \$9.81 per hour for the second year; and \$10.12 per hour for the third year; plus any across the board raises given by the Town Board at budget time each year;

Stachia Wagner (Deputy Court Clerk) - \$9.50 per hour for the first year; \$9.81 per hour for the second year; and \$10.12 per hour for the third year; plus any across the board raises given by the Town Board at budget time each year;

Kate Halliday (Planning Board Secretary/Fill-in Supervisor's Confidential Secretary and Bookkeeper) - \$10.60 per hour for the first year; \$10.82 per hour for the second year; and \$11.04 per hour for the third year; plus any across the board raises given by the Town Board at budget time each year;

Leon Hickok (Code Enforcement Officer/Zoning Administrator) - \$28,600.00 per year for the first year; \$30,200.00 per year for the second year and \$31,800.00 per year for the third year; plus any across the board raises given by the Town Board at budget time each year.

Supervisor Lucia gave the members copies of a letter and a map he received from the Saratoga County Sewer District #1 asking for the Town's input with regard to the town's interest in being wholly included within the Sewer District's boundaries. After discussion it was decided that the Town of Corinth would be interested in being wholly included within the Sewer District boundaries in the future.

**HIGHWAY**

Superintendent of Highways Eggleston presented the following Agreement to Spend Money to the Town Board:

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1) Section of Miner Rd. Starting at the Intersection of Spruce Mtn. and Ending at Atwell Rd. .45 miles (2410' long by 22' wide )  
Grind, Grade, and Compact. Ditching and Drainage.

990 ton #3 binder@\$38.49/ton \$38105.00  
495 ton #6 top @\$44.23/ton \$21893.00  
Total \$59998.00

2) Section of Main St. Starting at the Intersection of County Rt. 25 for a distance 3336 Ft. .63 miles (3336' long by 22' wide)  
Grind, Grade, and Compact. Ditching and Drainage.

1377 ton #3binder@\$38.49/ton.\$53000.73  
688 ton #6top @\$44.23/ton.\$30430.24  
Total \$83430.97

3) Clothier Rd. Starting at the Intersection of Wilton Mtn. Rd. to the Intersection of Holister Rd. 1.28 miles (6770' long by 22' wide)  
Grind, Grade, and Compact a 2050' section and Resurface the full length

845 ton #3binder@\$38.49/ton.\$32524.05  
1396 ton #6top @\$44.23/ton.\$61745.08  
Total \$94269.13

Total \$237698.10  
CHIPS \$76000.00  
Balance \$161698.10

51104.4 General Repairs Budget \$263256.00  
County Fuel - \$100000.  
Signs/Culverts - \$5000.  
Diesel Fuel - \$36000.  
Road Striping - \$19000.  
Balance for Road Construction \$103256.00

Since March 3<sup>rd</sup>. 2011, When I prepared this agreement The Price of Liquid asphalt has gone up \$21.00/ton of liquid asphalt which makes an increase of around a \$1.50/ton of blacktop. A Representative of Pompa Bros. Inc. Made a Statement at the March Supt. of Highways Meeting that they are expecting it to be near a \$5.00 increase before they open in May. This will affect the amount of Blacktop that we will be able to put down this year? Also due to the recent Snow Storms, a lot of other sections of roads have been damaged because of the soft roads and will have to be repaired this summer.

After disussion the following resolution ws passed:

**RESOLUTION #128**

**APPROVING AGREEMENT TO SPEND TOWN HIGHWAY FUNDS**

On motion of Councilman Saunders and seconded by Councilman Major the following resolution was

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

RESOLVED that the Town of Corinth approve the Agreement to Spend Town Highway Funds as presented.

Village CON Paperwork

Supervisor Lucia told the board that the Village CON paperwork went through on March 23<sup>rd</sup>. He said that the State Department of Health would be conducting their final inspection on March 25<sup>th</sup>.

Status Report North Shore Road Embankment Failure

Supervisor Lucia read the following from Saratoga County Commission of Public Works Joseph Ritchey, PE into record:



JOSEPH C. RITCHEY, P.E.  
COMMISSIONER

**SARATOGA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

SARATOGA COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY  
3654 GALWAY ROAD  
BALLSTON SPA, NEW YORK 12020-2517  
(518) 885-2235 or 885-0087  
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**STATUS REPORT ON (SARATOGA COUNTY ROAD 4), NORTH SHORE ROAD EMBANKMENT FAILURE  
Town of Hadley**

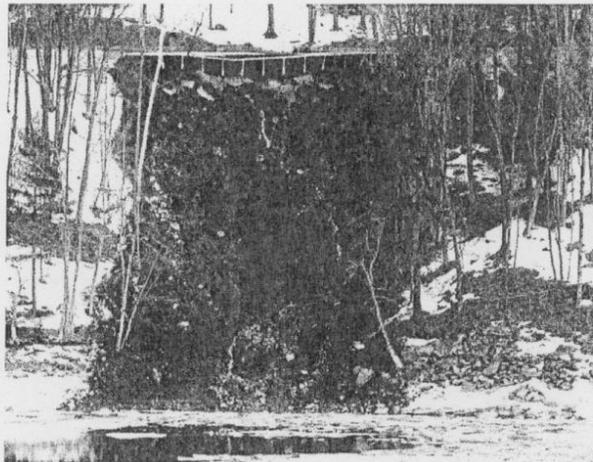
- The failure occurred on Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2010 shortly after 8:00 P.M.
- Public Works personnel were on site by 8:15 P.M. along with emergency response teams from Edinburgh, Corinth and Luzerne. We immediately set up wooden and concrete barriers to close the road and secure the site. We simultaneously began to set up detours.
- On Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup> we completed setting up detour signage, began mobilizing equipment and stock piling materials at the old North Garage site. Our personnel maintained a consistent presence at the site to keep interested bystanders from bypassing the barriers and caution tape.
- On Monday the 21<sup>st</sup> we assembled the restoration team and began developing a plan of action for repair. We also began researching availability and options for embankment material. A Formal Notice of Road Closure was issued to all effected agencies which included and estimated repair duration of one month.
- Our plan of action was completed on Tuesday the 22<sup>nd</sup>. We contacted N.Y.S.D.O.T. and requested a review of our plan by their geotechnical personnel. Also contacted Hudson River Black River Regulating District and received a permit to perform all necessary work.
- The repair work began at the site on Wednesday the 23<sup>rd</sup>. We also met on-site with N.Y.S.D.O.T. Geotechnical Engineers who concurred with our plan and suggested additional drainage measures.
- Generally the plan is to extend an existing lower access road into the failure area and use it as a platform to distribute heavy stone fill (rip rap) over entire failure area. Larger stone will be placed at the foot of the embankment. As the repair advances up the embankment the rip-rap will be substituted with medium stone fill. A culvert will be installed below the distribution platform. Stone trenches and perforated pipe will also be installed as the repair proceeds up the embankment. These trenches and pipe will provide a drainage path to the culvert. When the repair reaches the elevation of the road sub-base the rip-rap will be covered with #1 and #2 stones to act as a barrier to prevent the fines in road base gravel from migrating through the medium stone. The existing culvert at road elevation will be replaced and either be relocated away from this area or continued down the embankment.
- A broad estimate for the material cost is \$50,000 to \$100,000. Our Maintenance Account funds will be used for the repair and the impact to our total department annual budget upon will be assessed upon completion of the repair.

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- There is no definitive factor pointing to the cause of this failure, such as a recent change in topography or swift moving lake currents. We believe that the embankment became supersaturated due to rapid snow melt which fed several springs that seep through the embankment. A small cross culvert may have contributed to the surface runoff. The differences between what is occurring this year as opposed to the past, is still being researched.

Submitted By:

Joseph C. Ritchey, P.E.  
Commissioner of Public Works  
March 23, 2011



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Supervisor Lucia told the board that Attorney Hafner said that the Town should continue looking into the billing part of the EMS. Supervisor Lucia said that a man from a billing service known as EMR out of Albany would be willing to meeting with the board. Supervisor Lucia said that this is the company that is used by Queensbury. It was decided by the board that Supervisor Lucia, Councilman Brown and Paramedic Coordinator Reuther meet with the man and report back to the board.

### Public Comment

#### Sigrid Koch

Sigrid Koch thanked the Town Board for allowing her to attend the APA Program and training class on March 23<sup>rd</sup>. She said that the classes were on many new subjects and were very interesting. Supervisor Lucia thanked her for going.

### Town Board

#### Councilman Brown

Councilman Brown said that he would be going to the a meeting on the new Reverse 911 at 7:00 PM tonight.

#### Town Clerk

Town Clerk Farr asked the Town Board if she could conduct an enumeration of dogs like the Town of Hadley had done. She presented the board with copies of a letter she would like to send out along with a prepaid postcard and a list of the County Rabies Clinics. Town Clerk Farr said that Greenfield Press has agreed to print the postcard for nothing. She said this might be a way of getting most of the unlicensed dogs licensed.

### **RESOLUTION #129**

#### **RESOLUTION TO CONDUCT A DOG ENUMERATION**

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

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

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk conduct a dog enumeration through the mail as previously described.

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### Code Enforcement

Code Enforcement Officer Mann told the Town board that he had recently received two telephone calls regarding people want to sell things in the Town. He said that the Town does not have any license for this. Code Enforcement Officer Mann said that he had contacted the Village and they had sent him a copy of what the Village has on record. Each board member was given a copy of same in their folder. Code Enforcement Officer Mann said he thought this might be something that the board would want to look at and perhaps discuss with the Town Attorney.

### **RESOLUTION #130**

#### **MOTION TO ADJOURN TO BILL PAYING**

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

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

RESOLVED that the board adjourns to bill paying.

### **RESOLUTION #131**

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

On a motion of Councilman Brown and seconded by Councilman Saunders 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 3/24/2011

General Fund/Town Wide – A:

\$34,032.30

General Fund/Outside Village – B:

\$16,733.14

Community Development Grant – CD:

\$0

Highway/Part Town – DB:

\$58,079.35

Capital Project/Landfill Upgrades – H1:

\$0

Fire Protection – SF:

\$0

Street Lighting – SL:

\$0

Sewer/Water – SW:

\$6,471.00

Trust & Agency – TA:

\$55,740.26

Scenic Train –

\$0

Town of Corinth Railroad –

\$0

**RESOLUTION #132**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

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

RESOLVED that at 5:10 PM the Town Board adjourn to Executive Session on a particular person with no decisions being made.

Respectfully submitted,

Rose E. Farr, RMC  
Town Clerk