

APRIL 5, 2012

The Town Board of the Town of Corinth held a workshop meeting on April 5, 2012 at 4:30PM at the Town Hall.

Present: Richard Lucia, Supervisor
Charles Brown, Councilman
Edward Byrnes, Councilman
Jeffrey Collura, Councilman
Joshua Halliday, Councilman
Shawn Eggleston, Highway Superintendent
Rose E. Farr, Town Clerk
Leon Hickok, Code Enforcement Officer

Public: Ray Bush, Kate Halliday and James Murray, Sr..

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

RESOLUTION #126
APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Lucia, Brown, Byrnes, Collura and Halliday
 Nays 0

RESOLVED that the minutes for March 22nd, 2012 be approved.

FIRE BUDGET

Fire Chief Andrew Kelley made a presentation of the new preliminary fire budget to the board. He went through the budget line by line and explained each item to the board. The board thanked him for taking the time to inform them of what each item was and how he felt it was needed. Fire Chief Kelley told the board that the Public Hearing on the Village Budget was held on Wednesday and the new Village Board will be holding a workshop in Thursday, April 12th to go over the budget in detail. Councilman Halliday asked Fire Chief Kelley if he had \$20,000.00 left in his budget couldn't that money be used toward the purchase of the dive van. Fire Chief Kelley said it might be able to be used for that purpose. Town Clerk Farr asked Fire Chief Kelley to explain where any money left over at the end of the year would go. Fire Chief Kelley told the board that if there was any money left it went back into the Village General fund. He said that he would like to see it placed in an equipment reserve fund to be used for different kinds of equipment that might be needed since the money was partially Town money. He said that he had discussed this matter with the newly elected Village Board and they seemed receptive. The Town Board told him that they would like to see this done also. Fire Chief Kelley said he would go to the Village Board and tell them what the Town Board had said.

NYS CONSOLIDATING FUNDING APPLICATION PROCESS

Town Clerk Farr told the board that the Town needs to place an ad in the newspaper for Request For Proposals (RFP) for proposals from qualified community development consultants that can assist the Town with activities required to secure funding and organize and administer the local programs.

RESOLUTION #127
AUTHORIZING TOWN CLERK TO PLACE AD IN NEWSPAPER

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Lucia, Brown, Byrnes, Collura and Halliday
 Nays 0

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk place an ad in the town's official newspaper seeking RFPs from qualified community development consultants that can assist the Town with activities required to secure funding and organize and administer the local programs. Said RFPs to be received by the Town Clerk before 3:00 PM on Thursday, April 26, 2012.

RESOLUTION #128
RESOLUTION SETTING DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING
ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAWS NOS. 1 AND 2 OF 2012
INCREASING TERMS OF OFFICE FOR
HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT AND TOWN CLERK
FROM TWO YEARS TO FOUR YEARS

A motion was made by Councilman Halliday, seconded by Councilman Brown as follows:

WHEREAS, the Town Board is considering increasing the terms of office of the Town Highway Superintendent and Town Clerk from two years to four years, and

WHEREAS, Local Laws have been drafted which would accomplish these changes, and

WHEREAS, Municipal Home Rule Law Section 20 requires the Town Board to hold a public hearing prior to the adoption of a Local Law,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF CORINTH, SARATOGA COUNTY, NEW YORK, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: Public Hearing; Notice - The Town Board shall meet on April 26, 2012 at 4:35 PM to hold a public hearing to hear all people who are interested in

proposed Local Laws Nos.1 and 2 of 2012 increasing the terms of office of the Town Highway Superintendent and Town Clerk from two years to four years, at which time the Town Board shall hear comments from all interested persons and thereafter may take action on the proposed Local Laws as authorized by law. The Town Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish a Notice of Public Hearing in the *Glens Falls Post Star* not less than ten (10) days before the date of the public hearing and to make copies of the proposed Local Laws available for public inspection in the Town Clerk's office following the adoption of this Resolution and until the Public Hearing is closed.

Section 2: Effective Date - This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of this Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows:

ROLL CALL

AYES: 5 - Lucia, Brown, Byrnes, Collura and Halliday
ABSENT: None

NAYS: None

The Resolution was declared duly adopted by the Town Board.

SUPERVISOR

Supervisor Lucia reminded the Town Board of the Old Timers Night at the Firehouse on Saturday.

The following items are on file in the Supervisor's office:

- Letters from Time Warner (2) - changes being made and explanation letter
- Planning Board Notice - Minor Subdivision-Heath Road, Corinth
- Letter from Senator Farley - updates on 2012 Legislative Session
- Notice from Congressman Chris Gibson - A Forum on Tick-Borne Diseases - May 21, 2012 at Skidmore College from 8:30 AM to 6:00 PM
- Yellow Ribbon Day Celebration - April 13, 2012 Wilton Elks Lodge

Supervisor Lucia told the Town Board that a resolution supporting the extension of the Saratoga and North Creek Railway, LLC for 29.71 miles of rail track known as the Tahawus Line running from North Creek, New York with terminus at Newcomb, New York.

TOWN OF CORINTH
Resolution No. 129 of 2012

Motion: Councilman Byrnes
Seconded: Councilman Collura

SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION OF SARATOGA AND NORTH CREEK RAILWAY, LLC BEFORE THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD TO PROVIDE RAIL SERVICE ON THE EXISTING APPROXIMATELY 29.71 MILES OF RAIL TRACK KNOWN AS THE “TAHAWUS LINE” RUNNING FROM NORTH CREEK, NEW YORK WITH TERMINUS AT NEWCOMB, NEW YORK

WHEREAS, Saratoga and North Creek Railway, LLC has made application to the Surface Transportation Board for permission to re-activate the Tahawus line and

WHEREAS, once approved for use Saratoga and North Creek Railway, LLC intends to utilize the Tahawus line to haul freight and support economic development, and

WHEREAS, existing rail lines have become an increasingly important alternative for shipping and receiving for small to medium size Adirondack businesses as the price of gasoline and diesel fuel increases, and

WHEREAS, the North Country Regional Economic Council Plan identified rail importance as a major component of the region’s economic health and calls for the retention of all existing rail lines, and

WHEREAS, the rehabilitation and use of the Tahawus rail line as proposed by Saratoga and North Creek Railway, LLC holds the potential for additional future passenger and tourism services, while accommodating freight shipments to existing businesses and

WHEREAS, the application of Saratoga and North Creek Railway, LLC to re-activate the Tahawus line has been met with vehement opposition by Protect the Adirondack!, Inc. as well as resistance by the NYS DEC, Division of Lands and Forest, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town of Corinth Town Board, Corinth, New York hereby expresses strong support for the application of Saratoga and North Creek Railway, LLC to the Surface Transportation Board for permission to operate the Tahawus line, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Town of Corinth, New York shall cause certified copies of this Resolution to be presented to the Surface Transportation Board, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Lands and Forest, the Essex County Board of Supervisors, the Hon. Elizabeth O’C. Little, the Hon. Teresa Sayward, the Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages and such other officials and entities as deemed appropriate by the Town of Corinth Town Board, Corinth, New York.

The following resolution was

ADOPTED. Ayes: Lucia, Brown, Byrnes, Collura and Halliday
 Nays: None

Supervisor Lucia told the Town Board that Kendra Schreiber had applied and received a grant from the International Paper Foundation in the amount of \$1,500.00 for the Summer Theater Program for the youth.

TOWN BOARD

Councilman Halliday

Councilman Halliday thanked the members of the Town Board that attended the Village Organizational Meeting on Monday night.

Councilman Collura

Councilman Collura asked if he could be kept up to date on any new business that was looking at the mill property. Supervisor Lucia told him that he had a meeting set up for April 19th that would be a joint meeting with the Village Board and Town Board. He said that SEDC members would be present to bring both boards up to date on what has been happening.

Councilman Byrnes

Councilman Byrnes presented a letter from the Corinth Merchants Association requesting for an annual donation to promote things throughout the community.

RESOLUTION #130

APPROVAL OF DONATION TO CORINTH MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Lucia, Brown, Collura and Halliday
 Abstain: 1 Byrnes
 Nays 0

RESOLVED that the Town of Corinth donate \$500.00 to the Corinth Merchants Association.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Code Enforcement Officer Hickok told the Town Board that there has been a great compliance from the citizens of Corinth with cleaning up of properties.

RESOLUTION #131
MOTION TO ADJOURN TO BILL PAYING

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Lucia, Brown, Byrnes, Collura and Halliday
Nays 0

Resolved that the Board adjourns to bill paying session.

RESOLUTION #132
MOTION TO PAY BILLS AS AUDITED WITH ANY EXCEPTIONS

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Lucia, Brown, Byrnes, Collura and Halliday
Nays 0

RESOLVED that the April 5, 2012 Abstract Claims #20120281-20120320, 20121029-20121040, 20122051-20122060, 20123002, 20123152, 20123227, 20125006 - 20125009

:

Abstracts For April 5, 2012

Voucher #20120281-20120320, 20121029-20121040, 20122051-20122060, 20123002, 20123152, 20123227, 20125006 - 20125009

General A/Town Wide - A \$ 29,170.02

General Fund/Outside Village - B \$ 3,369.00

Community Development Grant - CD \$

Capital Project/Landfill Upgrades - H1 \$

Highway/Part Town - DB \$ 14,171.16

Street Lighting

South Corinth Lighting \$ 207.05
Eastern Avenue Lighting \$ 239.75
Eggleston Street Lighting \$ 124.70

Sewer/Water

Eastern Avenue \$
Tranquility \$
Dorset Drive \$
Passarelli \$

Trust & Agency \$110,188.70

RESOLUTION #133
APPROVAL OF ABSTRACTS

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Lucia, Brown, Byrnes, Collura and Halliday
 Nays 0

Resolved that the abstracts of March 22, 2012 be approved as follows:

A	-	\$ 29,170.02
B	-	\$ 3,369.00
DB	-	\$ 14,253.44
SL5182.41-	\$	124.70
SL5182.42-	\$	239.75
SL5182.43-	\$	207.05
T & A	-	\$110,188.70

RESOLUTION #134
MOTION TO ADJOURN

On a motion of Councilman Halliday and seconded by Councilman Collura the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Lucia, Brown, Byrnes, Collura and Halliday
 Nays 0

RESOLVED that with no further business the board adjourned at 5:50PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Rose E. Farr, RMC
Town Clerk