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**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Councilman Robert Seager  
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash  
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski  
Councilman William Karn  
Supervisor William Hasenauer  
Deputy Supervisor John Isley

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 6:47 pm by Deputy Supervisor John Isley.

**TOWN CLERK MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Councilman William Karn and seconded by Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski to accept the minutes from the January 18, 2012 Regular Town Board meeting. Roll call vote:

Councilman Robert Seager- yes  
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes  
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski - yes  
Councilman William Karn - yes  
Supervisor William Hasenauer – yes

**ABSTRACTS:**

**GENERAL:**

A motion was made by Councilman William Karn and seconded by Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski to pay Abstract #2 – Vouchers #54-135 in the amount of \$48,667.35. Roll call vote:

Councilman Robert Seager- yes  
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes  
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski - yes  
Councilman William Karn - yes  
Supervisor William Hasenauer – yes

**HIGHWAY:**

A motion was made by Councilman William Karn and seconded by Councilwoman Nancy Kardash to pay Abstract #2 – Vouchers #9-35 in the amount of \$52,444.21. Roll call vote:

Councilman Robert Seager- yes  
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes  
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski - yes  
Councilman William Karn - yes  
Supervisor William Hasenauer – yes

**TOWN ATTORNEY'S REPORT:**

Nothing for this month.

**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT:**

The Town Clerk's report was reviewed.

**SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:**

All Board Members, Deputy Supervisor and Town Clerk received a copy of the Supervisor's Report.

**JUSTICE REPORT:**

A motion was made by Councilman Robert Seager and seconded by Councilman William Karn to accept the monthly report. Roll call vote:

Councilman Robert Seager- yes  
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes  
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski - yes  
Councilman William Karn - yes  
Supervisor William Hasenauer – yes

**NOCCOG:**

Gerry Ritter reviewed the February announcements, and provided the Board with a petition against state government's raiding of the 911 surcharge fund. A motion was made by Supervisor Hasenauer and seconded by Councilman William Karn to support the petition. Roll call vote:

Councilman Robert Seager- yes  
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes  
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski - yes  
Councilman William Karn - yes  
Supervisor William Hasenauer – yes

The Board signed said petition, and Town Clerk Entwistle stated she will mail it to the County Executive.

Mrs. Ritter also presented the Board with the official town road maps, including seasonal roads. One will be posted at the Highway Garage, with the other in the Planning Office. Additional copies will be made as needed.

**PLANNING AND CODES REPORT:**

A motion was made by Councilman Robert Seager and seconded by Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski to accept the Planning and Codes report. Roll call vote:

Councilman Robert Seager- yes  
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes  
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski - yes  
Councilman William Karn - yes  
Supervisor William Hasenauer – yes

Supervisor Hasenauer stated that he is meeting with County Executive Picente on February 28<sup>th</sup> to discuss possible funding options to repair the Twin Bridges.

Gerry Ritter reiterated that another round of grants will be available in April through the Mohawk Valley Regional Economic Development Council.

Discussion took place regarding a possible referendum concerning the Twin Bridges on the November ballot if no grant money is received through the next round of applications in April.

**ASSESSOR'S REPORT:**

Councilman Robert Seager congratulated Tonya Brown on her appointment to the Executive Board of the Oneida County Assessors Association.

A motion was made by Councilman William Karn and seconded by Councilwoman Nancy Kardash to accept the Assessor's Report. Roll call vote:

Councilman Robert Seager- yes  
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes  
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski - yes  
Councilman William Karn - yes  
Supervisor William Hasenauer – yes

Supervisor Hasenauer appointed Councilman Karn and Councilwoman Kardash the task of reviewing Board of Assessment Review applicants. They will report back to the Town Board at the March meeting.

**DOG CONTROL OFFICER'S REPORT:**

Deputy Supervisor Isley thanked Councilwoman Kwasniewski for arranging a monthly Dog Control Report.

A motion was made by Councilman William Karn and seconded by Councilman Robert Seager to adopt the “Citizen Complaint Form” as presented for animal control. Roll call vote:

- Councilman Robert Seager- yes
- Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes
- Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski - yes
- Councilman William Karn - yes
- Supervisor William Hasenauer – yes

**SENIOR RECREATION REPORT:**

A motion was made by Councilman William Karn and seconded by Councilwoman Nancy Kardash to accept the senior recreation report. Roll call vote:

- Councilman Robert Seager- yes
- Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes
- Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski - yes
- Councilman William Karn - yes
- Supervisor William Hasenauer – yes

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Councilman Seager stated that he will be attending the Town of Lee informational meeting concerning hydrofracking on February 16<sup>th</sup>, as well as the upcoming meeting in the Town of Trenton. He also stated he received a letter from the Independent Oil and Gas Association offering to speak at a Town meeting. Councilman Seager will set up the meeting.

Councilman Karn inquired if the Town of Remsen and/or Ohio had placed moratoriums on hydrofracking. He wondered about their positions due to their proximity to Forestport.

Supervisor Hasenauer stated that the Dump parcel had been appraised at \$10,000 and the Town will advertise the parcel for sale publicly. Mr. Douglas Reidman stated that the Town does not have to advertise the sale according to his attorney. An outright sale is possible, and he stated his attorney would contact Mr. Riley concerning the matter.

Councilman Seager made a motion to adopt the Cornell Cooperative Extension's guidelines regarding Backyard Poultry and Livestock until the Site Review Law can address the issue. Councilwoman Nancy Kardash seconded the motion. Roll call vote:

Councilman Robert Seager- yes  
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes  
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski - no  
Councilman William Karn - no  
Supervisor William Hasenauer – yes

**OLD BUSINESS – PUBLIC:**

Nothing this month.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A notice concerning the recently enacted Open Meeting Law was reviewed and discussion ensued regarding the extent to which the Town is required to adhere to the law. No motions were made.

The date has been set for the Civil Service Exam for Assessor's Aide. The date is March 17<sup>th</sup>. Anyone interested should check the county website for further details.

**NEW BUSINESS – PUBLIC:**

Nothing this month.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by Councilman Robert Seager and seconded by Supervisor Hasenauer to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote:

Councilman Robert Seager- yes  
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes  
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski - yes  
Councilman William Karn - yes  
Supervisor William Hasenauer – yes

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:54 by Deputy Supervisor Isley.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley T. Entwistle  
Forestport Town Clerk