Stillwater Town Board Agenda Meeting June 2, 2011 7:00 PM Stillwater Town Hall

**Present:** Councilman Artie Baker

Councilman Ken Petronis Councilwoman Lisa Bruno

Councilwoman Virginia Whitman

Supervisor Ed Kinowski

**Also Present:** Sue Cunningham, Town Clerk

Mark Minick, Supt of Highways James Trainor, Attorney for the Town Joe Lanaro, Engineer for the Town

Supervisor Kinowski called the meeting to order and led everyone in the Pledge to the Flag.

Sue Cunningham, Town Clerk took the roll call.

<u>Adoption of Minutes: Motion</u> by Councilwoman Whitman and seconded by Councilman Baker to adopt the minutes of the May 5, 2011 Business Meeting. <u>Motion carried.</u>

## **Communications:**

1. <u>Glen Hollow Park Committee</u>: The committee has requested that the Town Board adopt a tobacco free policy for the park grounds.

A discussion was held on adopting a tobacco free policy for the park.

<u>Motion</u> by Councilwoman Whitman and seconded by Councilwoman Bruno to adopt a tobacco free policy for the Stillwater Glen Hollow Park grounds. <u>Motion carried.</u>

2. <u>Saratoga Sod Farm:</u> The Saratoga Sod Farm has sent a letter of interest in leasing the Town park property for growing soybean or corn.

A discussion was held and the consensus of the Board was to contact the Sod Farm to discuss terms and whether an agreement could be made.

3. <u>Water Leak:</u> A letter was received from a resident regarding a water leak gone unnoticed which resulted in a \$4500 dollar water bill. Now with penalty the bill is over \$4900 dollars. She is requesting the Town Board consider adjusting the bill or accepting payments.

The board held a brief discussion on the leak and will discuss the matter further in executive session.

4. <u>Water Quality Report</u>: Supervisor Kinowski inquired about the water quality report that was sent out recently as to who prepared it and why the Village water would have to be included.

Supt Minick stated that it was prepared by the Chazen Co. and Supt Minick which was then sent to the printers and mailed out.

Engineer Lanaro stated that the Town is considered the secondary water supplier that is why the Village water has to be included.

### **Reports** (Town Board & Dept Heads)

## Councilwoman Whitman

<u>Recognized:</u> Councilwoman Whitman recognized the Assessor for the flowers around the outside of the Hall and the Town Clerks Office for all their help with Family Day.

<u>Day at the Races:</u> Councilwoman Whitman reported that Day at the Races will be held on August 21<sup>st</sup> and tickets are available at \$36 each.

<u>Family Day:</u> Councilwoman Whitman reported that there would be a breakfast from 9 am to 11 am.

## Councilman Baker

<u>Community Center:</u> Councilman Baker reported that two vanities have been built in the ladies room at the Community Center.

<u>Blockhouse Park:</u> Councilman Baker reported that the light have been repaired and replaced with more energy efficient light.

<u>Unsafe buildings:</u> Councilman Baker requested a resolution for the next meeting declaring a building on Route 4&23 unsafe and to start the unsafe building procedure. Discussion was held on the property and the consensus was to notify the attorney's representing the owners that that the Town would be starting the procedure for unsafe buildings.

#### **Councilman Petronis**

<u>Junk Cars:</u> Councilman Petronis would like to have the zoning officer address/enforce the Local Law regarding junk cars on Blizzard Rd.

Supervisor Kinowski stated that he would notify the zoning officer.

#### **Supervisor Kinowski**

<u>Newsletter:</u> Supervisor Kinowski reported that the newsletter would be completed entirely in house and ready to be mailed out by mid June.

#### **Attorney for the Town** (James P Trainor)

Attorney Trainor reported that he was asked by the Saratoga County bar Association to speak at a local school and he will be speaking at the Stillwater High School's Criminal Justice class.

#### Supt of Highways (Mark Minick)

Supt Minick reported that Contract II regarding Cold Springs Rd (CSR) started this week and believes that water restrictions will be lifted within the next of days.

Agenda items (Resolution #43)

# Resolution #43 Hire a Temporary Employee For the Department of Building Planning and Zoning

| Introduced | by: | Supervisor |  |
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WHEREAS, the Director of Building, Planning and Zoning Department has assessed the department and has indicated a need for additional assistance; and

WHEREAS, Sheila Silic has been identified to work ten (10) hours per week in the Building, Planning and Zoning Department beginning on June 1, 2011 and ending on September 30, 2011 at her regular hourly rate, in addition to her regular 25 hours per week in the Assessor's Office;

Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the hire of Sheila Silic to work ten (10) hours per week in the Building, Planning and Zoning Department, beginning on June 1, 2011 and ending on September 30, 2011 at her regular hourly rate.

<u>Motion</u> by Councilman Petronis and seconded by Councilwoman Bruno to adopt Resolution #43.

A roll call vote was taken on Resolution #43 of 2011 as follows:

| Supervisor Kinowski  | YES |
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| Councilman Baker     | YES |
| Councilman Petronis  | YES |
| Councilwoman Whitman | YES |
| Councilwoman Bruno   | YES |

**Motion carried.** Resolution #43 of 2011 was unanimously adopted.

## Public Input

Coke C commented on the water quality report and if the water was potable. Supervisor Kinowski stated that according to the Board of health the water was potable. Supt Minick stated that according to the Dept of health any and all violations have To be written into the report. The Health Dept approves and directs what needs to be included in the report. Testing is done and no violations have been found.

Fran B commented on the speeding on County Road 75 and the need to slow down the people.

Discussion was held on the process to reduce the speed limit.

Art F questioned the smoke free policy for the Glen Hollow Park. Councilman Petronis stated that it would be a tobacco free park.

Jacqueline M commented on signage for the Glen Hollow Park on County Road 75. Supt Minick stated that any signage for the park would have to be done by the Town including crosswalk.

Mike C stated that he heard the former director of the community center was collecting unemployment and that he took exception to this.

Supervisor Kinowski stated that he along with the new director testified on behalf of the community center but the decision went in the favor of the former director. It is in the process of appeal at this time.

# **Audited Claims**

<u>Motion</u> by Councilman Baker and seconded by Councilwoman Whitman to pay the audited claims.

| General          | #162#176 | \$7702.23  |
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| Town Outside     | #119#134 | \$95639.12 |
| Highway          | #208#215 | \$6797.47  |
| Water & Sewer    | #33#36   | \$746.38   |
| Capital Projects | #26      | \$27423.33 |
| Trust & Agency   | #3       | \$493.50   |

## Motion carried.

<u>Motion</u> by Councilman Baker and seconded by Councilwoman Whitman to adjourn into executive session for personnel reasons. (Note: the Town Board will not resume the regular business meeting). <u>Motion carried.</u>

Respectfully submitted by

Sue Cunningham Stillwater Town Clerk