

State of New York
County of Fulton
Town of Stratford

Minutes of the Stratford Regular Board meeting held on Wednesday, September 9, 2015 at the municipal building located at 120 Piseco Rd.

Present:

Robert Johnson Jr.	---	Supervisor
Allan Perkins	---	Councilman
Dawn Youker	---	Councilwoman
Lorraine Rumrill	---	Councilwoman
Joan Ploss	---	Councilwoman
Charles Goodwin	---	Superintendent
Diana Massicotte	---	Town Clerk
Leigh Anne Loucks	---	Assessor
Peg Klages	---	Deputy Town Clerk

Absent:

Norman Wright	---	Code Enforcement Officer
Lita Hillier	---	Bookkeeper
Michael Sokira	---	BTI Director

Supervisor Johnson called the regular meeting to order at 6:32 pm with the Pledge to the Flag.

Residents in attendance: Carolyn Walker, Dorothy Eifert, Peter and Mary Szczebak, Allicia Rice, Paul Riley, Gary Rumrill, Janet Dickson, Heidi Christiansen, Lila Bodman, Tina Torres, Jay Pierz and Ken Thompson.

REPORTS

The Code Enforcement Officer read his report as follows:

August 13, 2015 through September 9, 2015
Issued two building permits
Three inspections
One demo permit
One Certificate of Occupancy
Many phone calls

Supervisor Johnson distributed the July and August Treasurer's reports.

Assessor, Leigh Anne Loucks, reported as follows:

Paul Riley resigned from the BAR. Will need to replace him.
She wanted to know if there was a time limit on a demolition permit.

RESOLUTION #12-15 TO RECOUP MONEY LOSS FROM REVAL

BE IT RESOLVED, the Stratford Town Board at the Town Board meeting on September 9, 2015 desires to have Town Attorney pursue suit against Maxwell for not filing proper paperwork,

RESOLVED, to recoup money loss from reval,

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Ploss, seconded by Councilwoman Rumrill

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Johnson, Rumrill, Youker, Ploss and Perkins
Nays 0

Highway Superintendent Goodwin reported as follows:

- Blacktop Bickford Road and finishing shoulders
- Stoning on Piseco, Gleason, and Bliss
- Finished Kelly Rd., stoning , shoulders, took trees down
- Hauling sand
- Cutting brush
- Box for truck has an 8 week delivery, cost \$30,250.90

RESOLUTION #13-15 TO PURCHASE BOX FOR TRUCK

BE IT RESOLVED, the Stratford Town Board at the Town Board meeting on September 9, 2015 decided to purchase 14’ HW II Body, uninstalled,

RESOLVED, to purchase the box for \$30,250.90, delivery to be about eight weeks,

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Rumrill, seconded by Councilman Perkins

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Johnson, Rumrill, Youker, Ploss and Perkins
Nays 0

The money to be dispersed as follows:

To: DA5110.4 – General Repairs C.E.	\$9,000.00	
From: DA5130.2 – Machinery E. Q.		\$9,000.00

\$23,000.00 from the General Fund to the Highway Fund.

Supervisor Johnson talked to engineers regarding the septic system. Will budget for next year.

Energy audit was done and it was recommended to put 12 inches of insulation in roof to stop condensation.

Supervisor Johnson checking with contractors to replace carpet in front offices.

No report from Karen Jaquay, DCO.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Resident asked about dog abuse case. Supervisor Johnson stated fine was paid.

Gary Rumrill asked if we were going to hire a Health Care Officer. Supervisor Johnson stated that they have advertised a number of times, but no takers.

Supervisor Johnson said there will be a lawsuit against Maxwell's insurance. The County Attorney and Town Attorney will be filing the lawsuit together for recovery of the damages that he has caused the Town because of his inappropriate reveal. The County will reimburse us for a portion of Maxwell's fees for representing us in the lawsuit.

There was much discussion concerning zoning in the town and inspecting rental properties.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION #14-15 SNOW REMOVAL AND ICE CONTROL CONTRACT

Resolution by Town Board accepting Contract for the Snow Removal and Ice Control on County Roads for the winter of 2015 -2016.

OFFERED BY; Deputy Supervisor, Allan Perkins, seconded by Councilwoman Lorraine Rumrill

WHEREAS, the County Superintendent of Highways and Facilities of Fulton County has submitted a contract for the removal of snow and ice control from certain designated County Roads within the Town under Section 135A of the Highway Law, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 135A of the Highway Law, this Board does hereby accept the contract for snow removal and ice control as submitted and authorizes the Supervisor and Town Board to execute the contract.

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Johnson, Rumrill, Youker, Ploss and Perkins
Nays 0

Supervisor Johnson stated there would be a union meeting September 24 at 10:00 am with the Highway Department.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Councilwoman Rumrill, seconded by Councilwoman Ploss to approve the regular Board meeting minutes of August 13, 2015.

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Johnson, Rumrill, Youker, Ploss and Perkins
Nays 0

AUDIT OF CLAIMS

Motion made by Councilwoman Rumrill, seconded by Councilwoman Ploss to approve the bills on Abstract #9.

ADOPTED Ayes - 5 Johnson, Rumrill, Youker, Ploss and Perkins
Nays - 0

General Fund – Abstract 9	Voucher Nos. 132 through 146	\$ 5,618.46
Highway Fund - Abstract 9	Voucher Nos. 118 through 134	\$121,381.68

Supervisor Johnson called for an executive session at 7:50 pm.

Motion made by Councilman Perkins, seconded by Councilwoman Ploss to move into executive session to discuss personnel matter.

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Johnson, Rumrill, Youker, Ploss and Perkins
Nays 0

Meeting called back to order at 8:55 pm.

With no further business, on a motion by Councilwoman Rumrill seconded by Councilwoman Ploss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Massicotte, Town Clerk