

TOWN OF ELBRIDGE
TOWN BOARD MEETING
APRIL 18, 2007

REGULAR MEETING: The Town Board of the Town of Elbridge met in regular session on April 18, 2007 at 7:00 PM in the Town Municipal Building, Route 31, Jordan, New York.

Supervisor Bush called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisor Bush asked for moment of silence in remembrance of the tragic deaths at Virginia Tech. College this past week.

Also had a call from Rich Mastin that he is in St Joseph's Hospital but should be home on Saturday.

PRESENT: Supervisor Ken Bush Jr., Councilor George Betts, Councilor Bruce Ralston, Councilor Vern Richardson and Councilor Rita Dygert.

OTHERS PRESENT: Dirk Oudemool, Attorney; Dick Clarke, Syracuse Newspapers; Dan Conroy, Rick English, Dick Ottman, Deb Stapleton, Deputy Clerk and Karen Platten, Town Clerk.

COMMUNICATIONS:

FROM:

- 1) Sarah Hunter-re: Asking Town to sponsor the Jordan- Elbridge Community Players.
- 2) Onondaga County Industrial Development Agency-re: public hearing for Tessy medical products, LLC on May 8, 2007 at 4:00 PM in the Town of Elbridge Town Hall.
- 3) Concerned Resident –re: Tractor trailers being parked on Wheeler Road.

GUEST: Rick English – Gave an update report on the Seymour loft Park. Opening day for little league is May 5, 2007 with the little league parade at 9:00 AM. The board is invited to the ribbon ceremony at the playground and would like to publicly thank you for the help with the playground. Passed out handouts. The next goal is the press box in a two-phase project. Starting the shell this summer and will be able to use it for storage. Hope to have the PA system next spring. Total cost is about \$30,000 and explained the breakdown. Plan to have a fundraiser for \$10,000 and have obtained a \$10,000 grant from the Allyn Foundation. Also hope to receive \$10,000 from the village and the town in goods and services. Will need to purchase a PA system and will probably be back to ask for help next year. Had pictures to show.

OLD BUSINESS:

Richard Ottman asked if the litigation has been completed with the Mobile Home Parks situation. Supervisor Bush said no and have 9 months from our appeal.

Councilor Dygert: Asked if everyone had reviewed the information on the revised Chapter 26 as she would like to call for a public hearing.

On a motion of Councilor Dygert, seconded by Councilor Ralston the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 5 AYES BETTS RALSTON RICHARDSON DYGERT BUSH
0 NAYS

Resolved: that a public hearing will be held at the Town of Elbridge Municipal Building, Route 31 Jordan, New York on May 2, 2007 at 7:00 PM to consider repealing the existing Chapter 26, titled Administration Enforcement of NYS Uniform Fire Prevention

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and Building Code replacing with entirely new provisions as mandated by the State of New York. A copy to be on file for review in the Town Clerk Office and will be advertised at least 5 days prior to the public hearing.

NEW BUSINESS:

After discussion and explanation by Attorney Oudemool the following motion was made. On a motion of Councilor Betts, seconded by Councilor Dygert the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 5 AYES BETTS RALSTON RICHARDSON DYGERT BUSH
0 NAYS

Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge authorize the updating of the Town's zoning map showing zoning, parcels and street names. The estimate is for 8 hours at \$41.80 per hour for \$334.48 plus \$10 for one (1) 36"X 48" hard copy. The final cost is \$344.48.

On a motion of Councilor Dygert, seconded by Councilor Richardson the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 5 AYES BETTS RALSTON RICHARDSON DYGERT BUSH
0 NAYS

Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge approve the Site plan Agreement with Tessy Plastics Corp., 448 Route 5, Elbridge and authorize the Supervisor to sign it. (Agreement attached including a letter of credit)

On a motion of Councilor Dygert, seconded by Councilor Ralston the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 5 AYES BETTS RALSTON RICHARDSON DYGERT BUSH
0 NAYS

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge conceptually agrees to grant to Global Signal acquisitions IV, LLC a 50 year easement for the Sprint cellular Tower Site at the Elbridge Landfill, which site will be approximately 175 feet square. The consideration for this grant of easement shall be the lump sum payment of \$325,000. The consummation of this transaction will be subject to:

The negotiation of the definitive agreement and related documents mutually acceptable in form and substance;

Approval by the Capital Committee of Global within 5 business days of Town's acceptance and delivery of this proposal;

Performance by Global of environmental screening of the property's soil conditions with results satisfactory to Global and its lender;

Receipt by Global of a survey in form and substance satisfactory to Global;

Global's receipt of a title commitment with respect to the property to be obtained stating the Town has good, indefeasible and marketable fee simple title to the property, free and clear of all liens and encumbrances except such matters as may be acceptable to Global; and

Town's adoption of a motion declaring the site surplus property and the passage of 30 days thereafter without demand for a public referendum.

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On a motion of Councilor Betts, seconded by Councilor Richardson the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 5 AYES BETTS RALSTON RICHARDSON DYGERT BUSH
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Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge recognizes the Jordan Elbridge Community Players as an adult recreation activity and agrees to sponsor it as a Town of Elbridge recreation activity subject to the Town's direction and control for the calendar year 2007.

A copy to be sent to the school.

Supervisor Bush just received a letter in regards to the Oswego River Basin Commission and having read the resolutions from Clay and Village of Jordan in support of this the following resolution was made.

On a motion of Supervisor Bush, seconded by Councilor Dygert the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 5 AYES BETTS RALSTON RICHARDSON DYGERT BUSH
0 NAYS

WHEREAS, the area of the Oswego River Basin is 5,122 square miles;

AND

WHEREAS, unstable water levels in the New York State Canal System and various rivers, creeks and lakes throughout the Oswego River Basin cause flooding and adversely affect boating and tourism within the Oswego River Basin region; and,

WHEREAS, Central New York Waterways, Inc. have worked tirelessly for the establishment of the Oswego River Basin Commission as well as for completion of various flood control projects as outlined in a certain 2002 New York State Court of Claims settlement;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge on behalf of themselves and the community, publicly acknowledges and supports the efforts of Central New York Waterways, Inc and the establishment of the Oswego River Basin Commission, as well as completion of various flood control projects outlined in a certain 2002 New York State Court of Claims settlement.

On a motion of Supervisor Bush, seconded by Councilor Betts the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 5 AYES BETTS RALSTON RICHARDSON DYGERT BUSH
0 NAYS

Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge establishes a public safety commission with the two villages, the school, fire departments and the police department to review issues on public safety in the town and to work out plans for a coordinated effort. Councilor Richardson will be the chair.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilor Dygert: The advisory committee met tonight

Discussed parking provisions and home occupations. Will be giving everyone copies.

The planning board has been working with Tessy Plastics on their new plans on the medical processing building addition.

The old diner property on Route 31 is being converted into an antique business and office.

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Six letters of interest were received for the Code Enforcement Position and plan to schedule interviews next week. Councilor Ralston will help with interviews. The registration date for the civil service exam is April 25 with the exam on June 2 and applicants were made aware of this.

Supervisor Bush said the article in the paper on Tessy was very encouraging. A public hearing is here on May 8th at 4:00 with Onondaga County Development.

Councilor Richardson: Court was cancelled this past Monday and moved to April 30th due to the snowstorm.

Contacted Sarah Hunter to let her know the Town is in support of the community players under the Recreation Program.

Councilor Ralston: April 28 is clean up for the county.

May 12 – trash day. Environmental Committee ready to help. Hope to have Plumley Engineering analysis ready for next meeting.

Councilor Betts: No info.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Dick Ottman of Meadow Lane – Asked about the Verizon locating on the landfill. Why two towers?

Much discussion followed as to why it couldn't be on an individual's property.

Dan Conroy – stated he thought it was illegal to prevent property owners from having it on their own property.

It was explained that the Town's law states first choice is, it should be located on town property. The revenue then benefits all town residents.

Supervisor Bush recognized Dick Clarke with appreciation for all his reporting for the newspaper and wished him good luck. This was Dick Clarke's last meeting and he said he has 6 more days before retiring. He said there was no plan yet for the next reporter if the newspaper plans to still cover all town board meetings.

Dan Conroy – stated he is obtaining bids for the topcoat at Cobblestone. Would like to do it earlier than September and wondered what is the procedure.

Supervisor Bush said the highway superintendent should be contacted to show the specs.etc.

Two new owners at Cobblestone.

Executive Session: On a motion of Councilor Dygert, seconded by Councilor Betts the following was

ADOPTED: 5 AYES BETTS RALSTON RICHARDSON DYGERT BUSH
0 NAYS

Resolved: that this board moves into Executive Session with Legal Counsel to discuss personnel at 7:52PM.

Returned to Regular Session:

Returned to regular session at 8:20 PM with all members present.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business, on a motion of Councilor Richardson, seconded by Councilor Ralston the meeting was adjourned at 8:21PM. UC

Respectfully submitted,
D. Karen Platten, Town Clerk

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