

TOWN OF ELBRIDGE  
TOWN BOARD MEETING  
August 20, 2008

**REGULAR MEETING:** The Town Board of the Town of Elbridge met in regular session on August 20, 2008 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.

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

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Dirk Oudemool; Attorney, Dan Conroy, and Debra Stapleton; Clerk.

**ADOPT MINUTES:** On a motion of Councilor Ralston, seconded by Councilor Richardson to dispense with the reading of the minutes of August 6, 2008 and adopt minutes with the addition of the Local Laws text included. UC

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

**FROM:**

- 1) The Town of Sennett's attorney sent a copy of the letter he sent to Jim Lawler at County DOT in support of the Town of Elbridge's request for reduced speed limit on Chatfield Road.
- 2) A confirmation letter from Regional Medical Services that this year's flu clinic will be held on October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2008 from 12PM to 1:30PM at the JE Community Center.
- 3) A letter from Bill Goffe, president of the Onondaga Cycling Club, with concerns that horses are allowed on the Erie canal path in the town of Elbridge.
- 4) Communication from the JE school district re: findings from NYS DOH on synthetic turf fields.

**OLD BUSINESS:** "Tobacco Free" Rhoda Smith from Onondaga County Health Dept. approached the town

**NEW BUSINESS:**

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

ADOPTED: 4 AYES Betts Ralston Dygert Richardson Bush  
0 NAYS

*Resolution 98-08*

**Resolved:** that the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge approves and authorizes the Supervisor to sign the storm water management facility covenant to run with the land agreement with J&J of Elbridge Storage LLC.

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

ADOPTED: 4 AYES Betts Ralston Dygert Richardson Bush  
0 NAYS AYES

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*Resolution 99-08*

**Resolved:** that the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge purchase from Gregory and Picciano Electric (11) lighting fixtures at the quoted price of \$2052.00. Town employees will install these fixtures and the scope of work is to provide additional and adequate lighting for the town offices and highway garage.

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

ADOPTED: 4 AYES Betts Ralston Dygert Richardson Bush  
0 NAYS

*Resolution 100-08*

**Resolved:** that the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge is not interested in acquiring the former state weigh station on Route 5, due to the future cost of building and maintaining a service road, at a very limited use benefit to the town generally.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Councilor Betts: the Town of Elbridge signs should be going up next week. Met with Scott Miller (of Speedy's Landscaping) and Leo Cooper re: the Elbridge Rural Cemetery and have worked out a mowing schedule for the grant money. Received the feasibility study from William Morse for the two options for the water transmission line for the Hart Lot district and discussion ensued on the high costs and potential for additional housing, on Gorham and Hamilton Roads.

Councilor Ralston: Dennis began work on the parking lot, making a saw cut-still waiting for estimates from masons. I met with Doug Miller for review of original plans for the building renovation and will get a quote for the addition, which will give us three to compare. The security cameras are being installed.

Councilor Richardson: Still working on the Jcap grants for the justice office. Dog control officer's report now on file. Met with Carol Russell at the Finger Lakes SPCA and it's very over crowded. Discussion re: other municipalities consolidating DCO services. Joe Patrick has soccer registrations out.

Councilor Dygert: met with an insurance rep re: Medicare coverage and waiting for a quote and further analysis. Went to the Planning board meeting, and Tessy decided not to go forward with their "clean room", but they are in need of a warehouse and are hoping for approval. Attended senior luncheon and had about 45 people there-good turn out. Mark announced the seniors would have a salad booth at the Jordan Fall Festival this year.

Supervisor Bush: Budget sheets are out and fire contracts are up this year. Discussion re: consolidated fire departments and problems fire districts have. There was a lengthy discussion on the former weigh station on Rte.5 and what the board would like to do. It's in front of O'Brien's Motorcycle Shop and Allred, and the planning board would like some decision from the town board.

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*Resolution 101-08*

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** On a motion of Supervisor Bush, seconded by Councilor Dygert, the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 4 AYES Betts Ralston Dygert Richardson Bush  
0 NAYS AYES

Resolved that this Board moves into executive session at 8:40 PM to discuss possible litigation.

The Town Board returns to regular session at 9:14 PM.

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:** there was discussion with Dan Conroy re: the denial of a school district booth at the Jordan Fall Festival because it may be political.

**ADJOURNMENT:** With no further business, on a motion of Councilor Ralston, seconded by Councilor Richardson the meeting was adjourned at 9:24 PM. UC

Respectfully submitted,

Debra H. Stapleton, Town Clerk