

TOWN OF ELBRIDGE
TOWN BOARD
AUGUST 6, 2008 PUBLIC HEARING & MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Bush called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and Attorney Oudemool led the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisor Bush asked everyone to remain standing in memory of George Robert Hart.

PRESENT: Supervisor Bush, Councilor Betts, Councilor Ralston, Councilor Dygert, and Councilor Richardson

OTHERS PRESENT: Dirk Oudemool, Town Attorney; Robert Herrmann, Codes Enforcement Officer; Jack Horner, Historian; Dan Conroy, and Clerk Debra Stapleton.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: #1, and #2

The Town Board of the Town of Elbridge, Onondaga County, State of New York, met at the Jordan-Elbridge Town Hall, 5 Route 31, Jordan, NY set August 6, 2008 at 7:00 PM to hold two (2) **Public Hearings.**

Public Hearing #1: the purpose of which is to repeal Chapter 44A and to amend Chapter 60.41, specifically to include the restriction on trucks on Chatfield Road and to include all vehicle and traffic matters therein. Legal notice that appeared in the July 21, 2008 Post Standard was available and was posted at the Town Clerk's Office, Jordan and Elbridge Post Offices, Elbridge M&T Bank and Jordan Lyons Bank.

Supervisor: Does anyone wish to speak in favor? CEO Robert Herrmann is in favor.

Supervisor: Does anyone wish to speak against? No one.

Supervisor Bush declared the Public Hearing closed at 7:05 PM.

Public Hearing #2: the purpose of which is to amend Chapter 30 Zoning § 30.2 (B) (13). Chapter 28 Mobile Home Law § 28.2, and Chapter 28 Mobile Home Law § 28.6. Legal notice that appeared in the July 21, 2008 Post Standard was available and was posted at the Town Clerk's Office, Jordan and Elbridge Post Offices, Elbridge M&T Bank and Jordan Lyons Bank.

Supervisor: Does anyone wish to speak in favor? No one.

Supervisor: Does anyone wish to speak against? No one.

Supervisor Bush declared the Public Hearing closed 7:09 PM.

REGULAR MEETING:

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor called the regular meeting to order at 7:10PM.

PRESENT: Supervisor Bush, Councilor Betts, Councilor Ralston, Councilor Dygert, and Councilor Richardson

OTHERS PRESENT: Dirk Oudemool, Town Attorney; Robert Herrmann, Codes Enforcement Officer; Jack Horner, Historian; Dan Conroy, and Clerk Stapleton.

ADOPT MINUTES: On a motion by Councilor Betts, seconded by Councilor Richardson to dispense with the reading of the minutes of July 9, 2008 and adopt as written. UC

MOTION TO PAY BILLS: On a motion by Councilor Ralston, seconded by Councilor Dygert made a motion that General Bills Abstract #7, Vouchers #438-#546, in the

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amount of \$74,694.00 and Highway Bills, Abstract #7, Vouchers #102H-116H were ordered paid in the amount of \$99,051.51 for a total disbursement of \$173,745.51.

BUDGET MODIFICATIONS: On a motion of Councilor Richardson, seconded by Councilor Betts the budget modifications were approved as follows:

FROM: A1110.11 Justice Clerk-Personal Services \$6000.00

TO: A1110.12 Justice Clerk- Assistant Per. Services

COMMUNICATIONS:

FROM:

- 1) NYS DEC re: Flood Map Modernization Program for Onondaga County.
- 2) The Town of Brutus re: the Canalway Trail and the damage from horses.
- 3) The “Weedsport Winter Wanderers, Inc.” asking for permission to use two portions of Town property for their snowmobile club.
- 4) Onondaga County Comptroller’s Office, specifically Robert Antonacci, who would like to attend our September 3rd meeting to give an overview of services they can provide to our municipality.
- 5) State Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli’s office inviting local government to his annual brunch at the Empire Room on August 22, 2008 to honor Unsung Heroes in the law enforcement community.
- 6) 2008 Jordan Volunteer Ambulance/Fire Department Annual Fund Drive newsletter.
- 7) State of NY Office of Real Property Services –STAR Unit staff re: distribution of 2008 STAR administrative aid for the Town of Elbridge.
- 8) Ann Pfau, Chief Administrative Judge, from the state Unified Court System requesting a copy of our most recent audit of local court records.
- 9) NYS DEC – Fish and Wildlife License to Thomas G Applebee of 1070 Route 5 Elbridge.
- 10) Notification from DEC re: a NYS Fish and Wildlife License issued to Thomas Applebee for possessing subspecies of the Eastern milk snake.
- 11) From Senator Charles E. Schumer re: “America’s Historical and Cultural Organizations Grants Program.” Applications are due by August 27,2008 and the grants involve museum exhibitions, library-based projects, interpretation of historical places or areas, etc.
- 12) Maureen Doyle sent an email to make us aware of the Clean Boating Act-2008 Press Release re: the campaign to protest additional fees was successful.
- 13) From Diana Graser, NYS Regional Traffic Engineer re: our request for a lower speed limit on Chatfield Road and that they’ll need an additional form signed by the Town of Sennett and the Cayuga County Highway Superintendent. A copy of the letter was sent to them also.
- 14) From Internet ESS.Rates@orps.state.ny.us on August 4, 2008, re: they’ve established the final equalization rate for the Town of Elbridge is 81.00 and we’ll receive a rate certificate and an impact report within the week.

Guests: Rhoda Smith from Onondaga Co. Health Department re: “Tobacco Free”. Ms. Smith arrived at 7:27 PM and Supervisor Bush acknowledged her, but continued with reports until they were complete.

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REPORTS:

Assessor: the Assessing report is on file with colorful pie charts representing exemptions. As stated in communications, our equalization rate is officially 81.

Highway Superintendent: Report is on file.

Code Enforcement Officer: Report is on file and CEO Bob Herrmann said he is working on abandoned properties.

Dog Control Officer: No report.

Historian: Jack spoke of a workshop he attended to apply for a grant to digitalize photographs and possibly a new computer. He had 2 programs- in July he gave a program on "Historic Cross Lake", and yesterday, a program on historic grammar schools. People have been coming in the Historian's office and are impressed with the amount of information Jack has.

Outreach Worker: Councilor Dygert read the report submitted by Outreach worker, Leo Cooper.

Planning Board: Nothing significant pending.

Recreation Director: Recreation Report on file. Councilor Richardson said the summer program went very smooth with good coordination from the middle school. Also, the JE Community Players production of "The Secret Garden" was well done.

Senior Program Coordinator: Report is on file.

Guest:

Rhoda Smith from Onondaga County Health Department, specifically the "Tobacco Free" program spoke promoting a smoke free community. She outlined what other municipalities are doing and how to address signage in stores that sell tobacco products that target younger people. She offered a non-binding resolution and gave packets of information to the board.

Ms. Smith exited at 7:48PM.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 91-08

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

ADOPTED: 5 AYES Betts Ralston Dygert Richardson Bush

0 NAYS

WHEREAS: on August 3, 2008, it pleased the Almighty God to remove from this community George Robert Hart and

WHEREAS: George Robert Hart served the Town of Elbridge faithfully as a Village of Jordan Justice, for over 30 years, and Town of Elbridge Justice for over 5 years.

WHEREAS: he has left a commendable record of loyal service as a citizen and

WHEREAS: in his death, this township has lost a valuable citizen and servant of government and believing that a fitting tribute should be paid to the memory of a revered friendship and association, now, therefore be it

Resolved: that this board expresses its sorrow by a tribute and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the bereaved family of the late George R. Hart and a copy spread upon the permanent record of this Board.

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

ADOPTED: 5 AYES Betts Ralston Dygert Richardson Bush
0 NAYS

Resolution 92-08

Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge resolves to purchase a 20' wide aluminum track slide gate from Atlas Fence for a price of \$7,529.

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

ADOPTED: 5 AYES Betts Ralston Dygert Richardson Bush
0 NAYS

Resolution 93-08

Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge hereby approves Weedsport Winter Wanderers Snowmobile Club's request contained in their letter of July 14, 2008 to use Town property at the Jordan Elbridge Community Center and the landfill as snowmobile trails again this year, and to install snowmobile signage and do maintenance along the trail. Plus a Certificate of Insurance with the Town of Elbridge added as an additional insured.

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

ADOPTED: 5 AYES Betts Ralston Dygert Richardson Bush
0 NAYS

Resolution 94-08

Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge resolved to repeal Chapter 44A and to amend Chapter 60.41, specifically to include the restriction on trucks on Chatfield Road and to include all vehicle and traffic matters therein.

Section I

Chapter 44A is repealed.

Section II

Amend Section 60.41 to add a new subdivision which will read as follows:

C. Exclusion of all trucks, commercial vehicles, tractors, tractor-trailer combinations, tractor-semi trailer combinations or tractor-trailer-semi combinations.

1.Chatfield Road

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

ADOPTED: 5 AYES Betts Ralston Dygert Richardson Bush
0 NAYS

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Resolution 95-08

Resolved: That the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge amend Chapter 30 Zoning § 30.2 (B) (13). Chapter 28 Mobile Home Law § 28.2, and Chapter 28 Mobile Home Law § 28.6. Amend §30.2 (b)(13) to read as follows:

Dwelling- a building designated or used exclusively as the living quarters for one or more families which is permanently anchored to a continuous weight bearing perimeter foundation wall.

Section IV

Amend §28.2 by redesignation definitions 1 thru 7 as B thru H and adopting a new definition to be designated A which will read as follows:

.Manufactured Home means a structure, transportable in one or more sections, which in the traveling mode, is eight body feet or more in width or forty body feet or more in length, or when erected on site is 320 or more square feet and which is built on a permanent chassis and designed to be used as a dwelling with or without a permanent foundation when connected to the required utilities, and includes the plumbing, heating, and air conditioning and electrical systems contained therein; except that such term shall include any structure which meets all the requirements of this paragraph except the size requirements and with respect to which the manufacturer voluntarily files a certification required by the United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development and complies with the standard established under Chapter 70 of Title 42 of the United States Code; and except that such term shall not include any self-propelled recreational vehicle.

Section V

Amend §28.6 to read as follows: All mobile homes shall be located within a mobile home court. All manufactured homes as defined in 42 USCA Section 5402(6) and otherwise known as double-wide mobile homes, which are not permanently anchored to a continuous weight bearing perimeter foundation wall shall be located within a mobile home court.

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

ADOPTED: 5 AYES Betts Ralston Dygert Richardson Bush
0 NAYS

Resolution 96-08

Resolved: to contract with Speedy's landscaping, to mow the Elbridge rural cemetery, with the cost not to exceed \$2000.00.

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

ADOPTED: 5 AYES Betts Ralston Dygert Richardson Bush
0 NAYS

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Resolution 97-08

Resolved: That the Town Board of the Town of Elbridge resolves to release the funds to Dollar General, which were posted to secure incomplete site plan improvements, contingent upon the town being reimbursed for expenses it incurred.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilor Betts: Spoke with Bill Morse re: the feasibility study on water transmission to Hart Lot. Also, had discussion with Doug Miller re: Map, Plan, and Report for Sunview and finalized the letter that will go out to residents advising of estimated cost of a water district.

Councilor Ralston: there's a chance we can do a cooperative venture between the Town and justice offices for a phone system and, getting back to the fence project, we'll proceed with the security camera portion of the system through Atlas, and do the lighting portion in-house. Work should begin on the front of the building next week. Also, a town resident is interested in taking old computer equipment. Discussion re: the lighting.

Councilor Richardson: 3 of the 4 new computers are hooked up in the justice office and will be meeting with Justice Mitchell to discuss the budget.

Councilor Dygert: Advisory committee has finished up their work and Attorney Oudemool is working on the draft for Chapter 30 and the zoning map. There was discussion re: the vehicle for the seniors and the possibility of reviewing one from a bus company in Chittenango before the next board meeting on August 20.

Supervisor Bush: spoke with Glen Ireland re: convoluted signage on the north end of Hamilton Road and they were straightened out within the week..

MONTHLY REPORTS ON FILE: July Codes Office Report, Senior Program Report, Supervisor, Town Clerk, Highway Superintendent, Recreation, and Assessor's Report.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: Dan Conroy commented on the public smoking issue brought up by Ms. Smith from County Health and discussion followed re: signage in stores and people smoking in public places.

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by Councilor Richardson, seconded by Councilor Ralston, the meeting was adjourned at 8:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra H. Stapleton
Town Clerk