

TOWN OF ELBRIDGE
TOWN BOARD PUBLIC HEARING AND MEETING
NOVEMBER 19, 2008

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Bush called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Floyd Godfrey, Barbara and David Rinaldo, Joe Contini, Bob Zelias, Jim Manley, Dan Conroy, Eleanor and Leo Cooper, Todd Rinaldo, Dirk Oudemool, Town Attorney; and Debra Stapleton, Clerk.

PUBLIC HEARING:

The Town Board of the Town of Elbridge, Onondaga County, State of New York, Elbridge Municipal Building, 5 Route 31, Jordan, NY set November 19, 2008 to hold a **Public Hearing** at 7:00 PM, in the matter of considering a new Local Law amending Chapter 45 by creating a new section to be numbered 45.3 which shall read as follows: The possession of a firearm, BB gun, pellet gun, crossbow, bow and arrow, sling shot or any other device which can be used for hunting is prohibited upon any lands owned or leased by the Town of Elbridge. Notice that appeared in the November 9, 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 at 7:02 PM.

REGULAR MEETING: The Town Board of the Town of Elbridge met in regular session on November 19, 2008 at 7:03 PM in the Town Municipal Building, Route 31, Jordan, New York.

Supervisor Bush called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Floyd Godfrey, Barbara and David Rinaldo, Joe Contini, Bob Zelias, Jim Manley, Dan Conroy, Eleanor and Leo Cooper, Todd Rinaldo, Dirk Oudemool, Attorney: Debra Stapleton, Clerk. Carmen Branca entered late.

ADOPT MINUTES: On a motion of Councilor Ralston seconded, by Councilor Richardson to dispense with the reading of the minutes of November 5, 2008 and adopt minutes as written. UC.

On a motion of Councilor Dygert, seconded by Councilor Richardson, the following budget modifications were approved:

BUDGET MODIFICATIONS:

From: A8090.4- Environmental Control \$5000.

To: A1620.1- Bldgs.& Grds.-Personal Services

From: B1990.0- Contingency \$550.

To: B8010.12- Codes- Sec'y \$50.

B8020.1- Planning Board- Personal Services \$500.

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COMMUNICATIONS:

FROM:

- 1) From NYS DOT in further response to review of intersection of Hamilton Road and Route 5.

GUESTS: 1) Carmen Branca, Jr. from New Visions Powerline Communications. Mr. Branca arrived late, and the supervisor asked if we could continue.

NEW BUSINESS:

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

ADOPTED: 5 AYES BETTS RALSTON DYGERT RICHARDSON BUSH
0 NAYS

Resolution 140-08

Resolved: that Doug Blumer is herewith appointed to the Planning Board for a five year term effective January 1, 2009.

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

ADOPTED: 5 AYES BETTS RALSTON DYGERT RICHARDSON BUSH
0 NAYS

Resolution 141-08

Resolved:

Whereas the results of a review conducted of the Medicare eligible retirees insurance coverage in conjunction with the Medicare part B reimbursement disclosed a change in plans could result in significantly improved coverage with dramatically reduced out of pocket expenses for retirees and in effect negate the need for continuation of the Part B reimbursement which was established to help offset excessive out of pocket expenses;
and

Whereas the Board desires to conduct periodic reviews and institute measures to further help contain costs

Be it resolved that effective January 1, 2009 the Town will offer Health Insurance coverage to Medicare eligible retirees under the Health Net Medicare advantage plan and discontinue the Medicare Part B reimbursement; and

Be it further resolved that a review of the Medicare eligible retirees' insurance coverage is to be conducted in 2 years to include consideration of a cap on the Town's costs to taxpayers and retiree contributions.

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

ADOPTED: 5 AYES BETTS RALSTON DYGERT RICHARDSON BUSH
0 NAYS

Resolution 142-08

Resolved: to amend the Preliminary Budget regarding the Sandbank Road Water District and that the unit charge for the year 2009 will be \$387.00, and not \$424.48.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilor Betts: said he's had many thoughts and conversations regarding the Sunview Water District and at this point there's not a clear consensus among the board to proceed and would like to table it until the next meeting.

Councilor Ralston: getting the project out front buttoned up.

Councilor Richardson: Receptions going well

Councilor Dygert: contacted Senator DeFrancisco's office and was assured the grant money is in place for the senior vehicle.

Supervisor Bush: received information re: Lead hazard reduction grant program- there are funds available, and it's run by the county's community development plan for health and safety.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: None.

Mr. Carmen Branca, President of New Visions Powerline Communications, located in Syracuse, spoke at length regarding his company's ability to deliver high speed internet and telephone service, and soon to be cable television, to homes and small business. It utilizes the electric grid, by using a telephone pole with a transformer on it. It can be used in rural areas that cable companies can't reach. He explained the technology and how the modem works in your home.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business, on a motion of Councilor Richardson seconded by Councilor Dygert the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM. UC

Respectfully submitted,

Debra H. Stapleton, Town Clerk