

TOWN OF ELBRIDGE
TOWN BOARD
JANUARY 21, 2009 MEETING

REGULAR MEETING: The Town Board of the Town of Elbridge met in regular session on December 21, 2009 at 7:00 PM in the Town Municipal Building, Route 31, Jordan, New York.

Supervisor Bush called the meeting to order at 7:03 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: David Rinaldo, Dan Conroy, Tom McGuire, Doug Blumer, Jesse Vap, Dan Carson, Dirk Oudemool, Town Attorney; and Debra Stapleton, Town Clerk. Ami Olson, Advocate reporter entered at 7:12.

ADOPT MINUTES: On a motion of Councilor Dygert, seconded by Councilor Richardson to dispense with the reading of the minutes of January 7, 2009 and adopt minutes as written. UC.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1) From Shirley Drummond –2008 Senior Citizen Club annual report.
- 2) From Thomas McGuire, a letter and packet of information re: Towpath East.

GUESTS: Jesse Vap from NYSG- New York Shale Gas. Jesse Vap introduced himself, and then introduced Dan Carson, VP of Exploration for NY Shale Gas. They are interested in leasing land from the Town to explore the possibility of gasses beneath the earth. There was a lengthy discussion of how this is accomplished. Many questions were asked, and Mr. Carson answered them.

NEW BUSINESS:

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

ADOPTED: 5 AYES Betts Ralston Dygert Richardson Bush
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Resolution 11-09

Resolved: that Supervisor Bush be authorized to sign the Annual Software Support Contracts with Williamson Law Book Company for a total cost of \$2530, which includes Highway Superintendent, Building & Codes, Municipal Accounting, Town Clerk & Tax Collection, Water/Sewer Billing and Payroll.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilor Betts: nothing to report

Councilor Ralston: received report from TMD re: servers and network systems. Spoke with contractor re: work on entranceway, and it will be taken out and redone, weather permitting. Quotes for canopy work came back much higher than anticipated. Will continue to search out a builder for this project.

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Councilor Richardson: recreation meeting this Sunday, and Basketball camp coming up during February break.

Councilor Dygert: attended Onondaga County Planning Agency training seminar and there were nine from the Town of Elbridge. Also, met with Joe Southern from Laker Limousine re: how they structured their successful program. They have the same bus, the “Phoenix” that we have ordered. Met with Carl McKinnon re: alternative insurance options.

Supervisor Bush: new carpet will be installed on February 12th, and 13th in the Courtroom, hallway and Justice offices. The Association of Towns is coming up soon.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

David Rinaldo, of Sunview Drive, asked Supervisor Bush if he’d heard anything more on the water system for Elbridge. The Village of Elbridge is the lead agency for this project, and they’re working on it. The issue now is acquiring the property, and there was discussion on this.

Dan Conroy, regarding the shale gas company, there is much concern over the amount of noise from trucks, and drilling 24 hours a day.

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion of Councilor Ralston, seconded by Councilor Richardson, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.UC

Respectfully submitted,

Debra H. Stapleton
Town Clerk