

4. Agriculture McWhorter/Taber
 A. Councilman Ayers presented information that farmers can get up to 70% of the cost of retrofitting your tractor with a roll-bar, awning or cap for their tractors. A copy of the information is available in the Town Clerks office.

5. Local Compliance/Environmental Ayers/McWhorter
 A. Councilman Ayers presented some information in reference to possible changes to local codes for non-residential buildings, including farm buildings. No action was taken with Board at this time.

6. Finance Committee McClenning/Taber
 A. Supervisor Henke explained that the Town received the money this week for the 2006 reassessment.

Councilman McClenning arrived and took his seat.

Correspondence:

Supervisor Henke presented the following correspondences.

1. Letter from NYS Agriculture and Markets – re: Kennel inspection that was recently done and the kennel passed.
2. Letter from NYS Lieutenant Governor – re: Quality Communities Task Force.
3. Letter from NYS Encon – re: Flood plain issue – no action to be taken
4. Letter from Cossayuna Lake Improvement Assoc. – re: Submission of 2006 harvesting report.

For Information:

Supervisor

Bob Henke

Supervisor Henke reviewed the following items and did not have much to report due to having meeting for the past couple of weeks with year-end meeting and organizational meeting.

Supervisor Henke handed out information on from his recent County Committee meetings.

1. When we discussed budgeting for the fire companies, there were questions about the nature of our mutual aid responses. I have made copies of the new mutual aid plan adopted by the County for 2007.
2. The program plan for the Sheriff's Department was presented. Copies were distributed.
3. Hyper-Reach system—Handed out copies of the draft policy that needs further discussion.

Town Clerk

Gianna L. Cross

Clerk Cross gave the Town Board an update on the following items:

- Village water issue – Everyone has been hooked up and they are very happy. We still need to complete the landscaping and a few issues with the one property owner. Councilman McWhorter and Clerk Cross attended the Village Board meeting last night and they reported the Village would not have any increases in the March billing and it does not look like any for the September bill. It was explained they are looking into having meters installed and they need to work out their billing issues for residents, businesses and out of town users.
- Clerk Cross explained the Bloomfield's have signed a contract with the Town and Youth Commission to allow us use of the power source from their property. Supervisor Henke to write a letter to thank them for their generosity.
- Mobile Home issue – Motion made by Councilman McClenning and seconded by Councilman Taber to allow Clerk Gianna Cross to present case in Court on January 18th.

Carried – 5 ayes.

- Clerk Cross attended court last week on behalf of the Town for the small claims action in reference to dog related issue. The Town of Argyle won the claim and a Judgment will be filed at the County.

- Clerk Cross, Supervisor Henke and Town Attorney will be attending a conference in reference to Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) presented by Bob Freeman on Wednesday, January 17th.
- Phone company – The Town of Argyle currently uses Cornerstone and we were offered a \$ 50.00 rebate if we signed a 24 month agreement, this agreement will hold our rates that we currently have. Motion made by Councilman Taber and seconded by Councilman McWhorter to sign contract as presented.

Carried – 5 ayes.

- Clerk Cross presented the contract with the Village of Argyle that the Mayor signed on January 9, 2006 for snow removal. Motion made by Councilman McClenning and seconded by Councilman McWhorter to sign contract as written.

Carried – 5 ayes.

Town Board

McWhorter, Ayers, McClenning, Taber

- Nothing to report.

Highway

Bob Humiston

- Superintendent Humiston discussed the recent meeting he attended with Williamson Law Books on a computer software program available for highway departments; he is doing some research on the program and waiting for a package from the company. He explained he attended the meeting yesterday with the highway committee to discuss the purchasing plan and they are working out some details and would like to present at the next board meeting. They recently installed new lights in the highway garage and it has made a big difference and they are looking at replacing windows. We have had a very mild winter and the men are working on the trucks.

Justice

Bob Buck

- Financial monthly report for December 2006 was received. Court will be canceled for February due to the Judge having surgery, all cases will be heard in March, Court Clerk Cross will work do the daily work with the assistance of Judge Buck.

Bookkeeper

Karen Lohret/Supervisor Henke

- Supervisor Henke stated that she is working on some issues with the numbering of vouchers for the New Year and payroll issues. Month end report for December 2006 received.

Assessor

Mike Baker/Councilman Taber

- Received a memo from Assessor Mike Baker that he was 80% complete with update. Supervisor Henke presented two letters addressed to Mr. Baker, one in reference to his office hours from the last meeting and one addressing the purchase of the laptop computer. The Councilman reviewed the letter and made suggestions and requested a breakdown of his budget be attached, Supervisor Henke will make changes and deliver letter to Mr. Baker.

Dog/Animal Control

Ed Holland/Councilman McWhorter

- Ed Holland has signed no oath, however Deputy officer Quell took her oath of office.

Planning Board

Joe Maille/Councilman McClenning

- Nothing to report.

Historian

Susan Brennan/Supervisor Henke

- Nothing to report.

Youth Commission

Shelley McKernon/Councilman McClenning

- Monthly financial report for December 2006 was received. Councilman McClenning reported that he had attended the last meeting and they have a lot of ideas but they need to get focused on the fundraising part of the program. They currently have pizza hut books, umbrellas and now selling car

wash booklets with no advertising is being done only through school handouts. He asked all Board members to help with the upcoming breakfast to be held on February 10th and stated that the Town Board may need to give them some help to get them focused on the fund raising issue.

Floor Open:

No comments from the floor.

Old Business:

1. Changes to building permits to include deed/sub-division restrictions – Discussed that we would just complete and attach to our building permit.
2. Radio for Municipal Building – Councilman McClenning spoke with Mr. Dennis and they are working on the radio and deliver when complete.
3. Policy Handbook – Tabled to the next meeting.
4. Washington County Local Development Board Position – Supervisor Henke made the suggestion that Councilman and business owner Rick McClenning fill the position, Councilman McClenning will contact the former board member and discuss position. Tabled to next meeting.

New Business:

1. Supervisor Henke presented Resolution No. 31-07, National Incident Management Systems (NIMS) and explained that all department heads would have to take some type of training either in person or online. Motion made by Supervisor Henke and seconded by Councilman McWhorter to adopt Resolution 31-07 as presented.

Carried – 5 ayes.

Resolution 31-07: ADOPTION OF THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Whereas, In Homeland Security Presidential Directive (HSPD)—5, the President directed the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System (NIMS), which would provide a consistent nationwide approach for federal, state, local and tribal governments to work together more effectively and efficiently to prevent, prepare for, respond to, and recover from domestic incidents, regardless of cause, size or complexity; and;

WHEREAS, the collective input and guidance from all federal, state, local and tribal homeland security partners has been, and will continue to be vital to the development, effective implementation and utilization of a comprehensive NIMS; and

WHEREAS, to facilitate the most efficient and effective incident management it is critical that federal, state, local, and tribal organizations utilize standardized terminology, standardized organizational structures, uniform personnel qualification standards, uniform standards for planning, training, and exercising, comprehensive resource management, and designated incident facilities during emergencies or disasters; and

WHEREAS, the NIMS standardized procedures for managing personnel, communications, facilities and resources will improve the state's ability to utilize federal funding to enhance local and state agency readiness, maintain first responder safety, and streamline incident management processes; and

WHEREAS, the Incident Command System components of NIMS are already an integral part of various incident management activities throughout the state, including all public safety and emergency response organization's training programs; and

WHEREAS, the National Commission of Terrorist Attacks (9-11 Commission) recommended adoption of a standardized Incident Command System,

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that Supervisor Robert Henke be authorized to sign the National Incident Management System as follows:

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Town of Argyle, I do hereby mandate the National Incident Management System be utilized for all incident management in the Town of Argyle.

It is further proclaimed that this shall take effect immediately.

2. Supervisor Henke presented and read Resolution 32-07, Recognition of former Councilman Patrick Sullivan. Motion made by Supervisor Henke and unanimous second by Board to adopt Resolution 32-07 as presented.

Carried – 5 ayes.

Resolution 32-07: RECOGNITION OF SERVICE BY PATRICK SULLIVAN

WHEREAS, Through a series of unforeseen circumstances, there was a vacancy on the Board of the Town of Argyle; and,

WHEREAS, This vacancy occurred at a time when Argyle faced a number of complex issues and vexing challenges; and,

WHEREAS, During this time of difficulty, the Town Board appointed Patrick Sullivan to temporarily fill the vacancy on the Board and assist until said vacancy could be remedied by election; and,

WHEREAS, during his tenure on the Board, Patrick Sullivan not only assisted with the necessary duties of the Board but took the initiative to address a number of issues of long-term consequence and action; and,

WHEREAS, Even after expiration of his tenure on the Board, Patrick Sullivan has continued to serve the Town of Argyle as a member of the Highway Committee and continues therefore to assist and lend his expertise in the long-term planning process for the Town of Argyle;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Argyle commends and thanks Patrick Sullivan for his enthusiasm, dedication, community spirit, and service to the citizens of the Town of Argyle.

3. Public Employer Workplace Violence Program – Tabled to next meeting.
4. Audit of records – Motion made by Councilman McWhorter and seconded by Councilman Taber to set meeting for Tuesday, January 23, 2007 at 6:00pm and if needed to completed audit Saturday, January 23, 2007 to review records for Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Town Justice, Supervisor/Bookkeeper.

Carried – 5 ayes.

5. Associations of Towns meeting – Motion made by Councilman McWhorter and seconded by Councilman Ayers to designate Supervisor Henke to represent the Town of Argyle at the Associations of Towns meetings and to authorize Clerk Cross to certify designation.

Carried – 5 ayes.

6. Supervisor Henke announced his community citizen appointment of Steve Davie to the Local Compliance/Environmental committee.

Floor Open:

No additional comments from the floor.

Motion made by Councilman McWhorter to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gianna L. Cross
Town Clerk