

REGULAR MEETING

February 16, 2007

The Argyle Town Board met on Friday, February 16, 2007, at the Municipal Building. Supervisor Henke called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Present: Robert Henke, Supervisor
Melvin McWhorter, Councilman
Richard Ayers, Councilman
Richard McClenning, Councilman
Robert Humiston, Highway Superintendent
Gianna L. Cross, Clerk

Absent: Paul Taber, Councilman

There were no guests present.

Audit of the Bills:

Motion made by Councilman McWhorter and seconded by Councilman McClenning to accept all bills as presented.

Abstract 2 – Vouchers - 32-94	To be paid –	\$ 177,028.98
Prepaid vouchers	Prepaid -	\$ 9,743.06
		\$ 186,772.64

Carried – 4 ayes.

Approval of Minutes of January 10, 2007:

Motion made by Councilman McClenning and seconded by Councilman McWhorter to approve the minutes for January 10, 2007.

Carried – 4 ayes.

Town Clerk's Reports:

Motion made by Councilman McClenning and seconded by Councilman McWhorter to accept the Town Clerk's Report for January 2007.

Carried – 4 ayes.

Supervisor's Reports:

Motion made by Councilman McWhorter and seconded by Councilman McClenning to accept the Supervisors Reports for January 2007.

Carried – 4 ayes.

Committee Reports:

- Highway Building/Machinery Ayers/Taber/Sullivan
 - Councilman Ayers explained that the committee met with the Highway Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent to review the purchasing plan that was presented by Patrick Sullivan. After much discussion Mr. Sullivan will rewrite the changes and the committee will set up another meeting to review and present at the next Town Board.
- Insurance McClenning/McWhorter - Nothing to report
 - Councilman McWhorter discussed that he had received calls from other agents and we should look at other options in April for our July renewal. Clerk Cross discussed the health insurance policy that we have for the retirees and we need to have a active employee and that the Clerk and Highway Superintendent are saving the Town hundreds with the Teamster plan and the option we

have available is putting the dog control officer on as the active member. Motion made by Supervisor Henke and seconded by Councilman McClenning to add Edward Holland on the Empire Plan effective March 1, 2007. Supervisor Henke to write up agreement that the Town will pay half the cost and he will be responsible for the other half and we will no longer pay mileage.

Carried – 4 ayes.

3. Recreation McClenning/Ayers
A. Councilman McClenning did not attend the last meeting and they recently had the annual pancake breakfast and it was not a good turnout.
4. Agriculture McWhorter/Taber
A. Supervisor Henke will have a report next month.
5. Local Compliance/Environmental Ayers/McWhorter Nothing to report.
6. Finance Committee McClenning/Taber Nothing to report.

Correspondence:

Supervisor Henke presented the following correspondences.

1. Letter from Supervisor Henke – re: LDA representative
2. Letter from NYS Encon – re: Vehicle Dismantler Facilities
3. Copy of truck for sale at Nemers

For Information:

Supervisor

Bob Henke

- Supervisor Henke handed out information on from his recent County Committee meetings.
- Supervisor Henke will be leaving for the Associations of Towns meeting in New York this weekend.

Town Clerk

Gianna L. Cross

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

- Mobile Home issue – Clerk Cross went to court and the court ruled in favor of the Town and a fine of \$ 350.00 was given and the trailer needed to be removed by February 1, 2007. The trailer has been removed the fine has not been paid.
- Dog fines – One judgment needs to be filed at the County the time period has ended. The Confession of Judgment fine has not been paid the due date is up we will file the judgment in court.
- Clerk Cross, Supervisor Henke and Town Attorney Martin Auffudou attended a FOIL meeting on January 31, 2007 in Schuylerville.
- Clerk Cross discussed that she recently found out that the bookkeeper could enter the vouchers to be paid as she would have to check them and sign off on them before they are presented to the Board.

Town Board

McWhorter, Ayers, McClenning, Taber

- Nothing to report.

Highway

Bob Humiston

- Superintendent Humiston discussed that they weathered the storm well and they have had a saving through the first of the year due to a mild winter. However, they have recently had two ice storms, tree and windshield damage. Councilman McClenning stated they did a good job during the last storm.

Justice

Bob Buck

- Financial monthly report for January 2007.

Bookkeeper

Karen Lohret/Supervisor Henke

- Received month end report for January 2007.

Assessor

Mike Baker/Councilman Taber

- Supervisor Henke presented two vouchers for mileage from Mr. Baker. Motion made by Supervisor Henke and seconded by Councilman McWhorter to tabled to the next board meeting due to Councilman Taber being absent.

Carried – 4 ayes.

Dog/Animal Control

Ed Holland/Councilman McWhorter

- Received month end report for January 2007.

Planning Board

Joe Maille/Councilman McClenning

- Received minutes from January 2007. Councilman McClenning stated they had some spelling errors.

Historian

Susan Brennan/Supervisor Henke

- Nothing to report.

Youth Commission

Shelley McKernon/Councilman McClenning

- Minutes received from January 8, 2007 meeting.

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 – Received radio and it is working well.
3. Policy Handbook – Tabled to the next meeting.
4. Purchasing Plan for Highway Department – Tabled to next meeting.
5. Audit of records – Motion made by Councilman McClenning and seconded by Councilman McWhorter to accept and approve Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Supervisor and Town Justice reports for 2006.

Carried – 4 ayes.

6. Public Employer Workplace Violence – Supervisor Henke reported that he is working on this with the County and that he will be attending the Associations of Towns meeting to get more information.

New Business:

1. Supervisor Henke discussed that Justice Buck would be transferring some court cases due to his recent surgery and being out of office till March.
2. Proclamation for Responsible Dog Ownership Month for Myne Kennels. Tabled to next meeting.
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Floor Open:

No additional comments from the floor.

Motion made by Councilman McWhorter to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gianna L. Cross
Town Clerk