

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF FORT ANN HELD
MAY 13, 2013 COMMENCING AT 7:01 P.M.

PRESENT: DARLENE Z. DUMAS, SUPERVISOR
DUANE A. BURCH, COUNCILMAN
BRUCE K. WHITNEY, COUNCILMAN
GRETCHEN R. STARK, COUNCILWOMAN
ALFRED E. DUNLAP, COUNCILMAN

OTHERS PRESENT: HELEN DENNO, CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY TO THE
SUPERVISOR
PAUL WINCHELL, SUPT. OF HIGHWAYS

RECORDING SECRETARY: MARY JANE GODFREY, TOWN CLERK

Meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

A moment of silence was held for the deceased Fort Ann residents.

Motion was introduced by Ms. Stark and seconded by Mr. Dunlap to approve the Town Board Minutes of the Regular Meeting held April 8, 2013 with the following corrections:

- Page 18; amounts of Lycott Environmental, Inc. and Allied Biological, Inc. should be deleted.
- Page 18; the following paragraph should read "Ms. Moore and Ms. Stark (with Gene Connell," not Gene Ouderkirk.
- Page 19; the second paragraph should read "The organization is reducing the amounts to match the available funds."
- Page 19; the second paragraph, beginning with Lake George Park Commission, should read "work with the Lake George Association on boat inspection for perhaps next year." Also, the Waterfront Park was mentioned by Mr. Dunla p.

Motion was carried unanimously with corrections.

Motion was introduced by Burch and seconded by Ms. Stark to approve the Town Board Minutes of the Special Meeting of April 30, 2013 with the following corrections:

- Page 21; Amounts of Lycott Environmental, Inc. and Allie Biological, Inc. to be deleted.

Motion was carried unanimously with corrections.

Motion was introduced by Mr. Burch and seconded by Mr. Whitney to pay bills as warranted and audited.

Motion was carried unanimously.

Supervisor's Report: Supervisor Dumas stated the Monthly Financial Statement to the Supervisor is available on the web and a paper copy is available upon request.

Supervisor Dumas received 50 phone calls this month.

Dennis Murray, Fort Ann, NY called Supervisor on vandalism/garbage being on the Old Tow Path. This site is all private property.

Northern Insuring Agency, Inc. stated the Town's insurance has reduced by \$500.00 from last year.

Town Clerk's Report: Town Clerk read the April, 2013 report. Also, the Town Clerk has appointed a second Deputy Town Clerk, Jolene Corlew, to issue Marriage Applications/Licenses at Great Meadow Correctional Facility in Comstock.

Public Comment was opened at 7:10 p.m. Hearing no comments, it was closed at 7:11 p.m.

Highway Supt. Report: Mr. Winchell gave a report on drainage problems on Kelsey Pond Road, Champlain Canal Park work being in progress, grading of dirt roads and screening gravel at the Kingsbury Pit. Also, the Weed Harvester is doing well.

Recreation: Ms. Stark reported the new Summer Recreation Director is Sarah Bell Callahan. Ms. Stark also spoke on the events for Memorial Day and a meeting in Whitehall with the Champlain Canal persons on Biking/hiking trail.

Waterfront Park: Mr. Dunlap spoke on the clean-up, fill and grading was done. All is progressing well. Bike pathway will be along the canal. Lake George Park Committee meetings are continuing on aquatic invasive species and boat cleaning and wash stations purchases.

Old Business: None

New Business: Cathy Bozony gave a talk on the fertilizer/pesticide proposal law and is requesting the town to have said law. She spoke on Queensbury's signs of summary of rules of fertilizer/pesticide being placed on one's lawns.

Al stated towns cannot regulate pesticides. Mr. Dunlap will give a further report on this issue next month.

Brochures will be given to the town on this subject. Lake Management Services for Hadlock: Two bids were received and interviews were held with Lycott & Allied. Councilmen Burch Stated he had no objections for a lake management service, but an amount should be available, to the persons on what the cost would be to them. Councilman Whitney suggested getting legal advice on this issue. Supervisor Dumas has contacted some attorneys.

Al and Gretchen agreed with Duane. Mr. Burch questioned if the town has to sign a Contract if a management service was chosen or is it a decision that begins with the people holding the deed? Lycott representative stated that they are Available and they do this as a step process. Lycott reports to the town supervisor.

Diane stated Lake Hadlock Assoc. agreed to move forward on this issue. Gene Connelly stated the requirement is to be a property owner on the lake to be in the Association. He and Diane will continue reporting to the town board on this issue. Howard Dennison suggested a public hearing to allow the public to hear comments on the lake management.

A motion by Councilwoman Stark and seconded by Mr. Burch to hold a public hearing on Monday July 8th at 7.05pm on Lake Management Services. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Whitney and seconded by Mrs. Stark to hold a meeting with Lycott Environmental Services on July 8th and the motion was carried unanimously.

Supervisor read the misc. correspondence, and also listed the recommended repairs to Hadlock Dam submitted by Haley & Aldrich for the town.

A resignation was accepted with regret for David Jacobson as the town of Fort board of assessment review effective May 16, 2013.

Public Discussion opened at 8:22 p.m.

Richard Moore spoke on insurance for Hadlock Dam. The supervisor will contact Northern Insurance Agency, Inc. and Dick Look on this issue.

Howard Dennison stated the Secretary of the Planning Board should have a lap top for her work and wanted to know where the projector went; and requested a digital tape recorder for the planning board.

Public Discussion ended at 8:33 p.m.

Motion by Whitney to go into Executive Session at 8:34 to discuss employment and appointment issues. Motion carried unnamomisouly.

Motion by Whitney and seconded by Burch to go out of Executive Session and return to the regular town board meeting at 9:05 p.m. Motion was carried unanimously.

Motion by Whitney and seconded by Stark to do repairs on Hadlock Dam by Charles Friedman Excavating. Motion was carried unanimously.

Motion by **Burch seconded by Al to adjourn at 9:08 p.m. Motion was carried unanimously.**

Total Abstracts General \$8268.59 Highway --\$30,090.48

Respectfully Submitted

Date: May 13, 2013

Mary Jane Godfrey, Town Clerk
Town of Fort Ann, New York