

**TOWN OF COLUMBIA
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
MARCH 11, 2010**

The Town of Columbia Town Board held a regular monthly meeting March 11, 2009, at the town building.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Weiss, Councilmen Buddle, Keeler, Lynch, and Teletnick.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Pat Woytowich, Clerk; Highway Supt., Aaron Smithson; John Murtha, Planning Board Chr.; 2 residents of the town

Supervisor Weiss called the meeting to order at 7:27 P.M.
Pledge of Allegiance led by John Murtha

A **motion** was made by Councilman Teletnick, seconded by Councilman Keeler, to accept the minutes of February 11th.

VOTE: All members voted aye.

A **motion** was made by Councilman Teletnick, seconded by Councilman Lynch, to accept the Supervisor and Town Clerk monthly reports.

VOTE: All members voted aye.

BILLS: The Board audited the monthly bills. A **motion** was made by Councilman Buddle, seconded by Councilman Teletnick, to accept the following bills:

General Fund, #40 - #59 for \$ 5,057.83
Trust & Agency, #3 for \$ 401.80
Highway, Item 3, #19 - #26 for \$ 28,436.92
Highway, Item 4, #18 - #22 for \$ 11,339.36

VOTE: All members voted aye.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

-**PLANNING BOARD:** John Murtha reported that the Planning Board met with Land & Lakes regarding a possible sub-division on Brennan & Gage Rd. John stated that he would possibly have the grant writer at the next board meeting.

-**HIGHWAY:** Aaron reported

New tires are on payloader. 1997 & 1981 International front ends have been replaced. 1981 International oil cooler being repaired by Peter Smith Trucking. Machinery is being serviced

- List of projects hoping to complete this year are attached
- Misc: Hauling sand for next winter before price goes up. Key meter for fuel tank - estimate attached. Suburban Propane matched Amerigas prices - thank you to Mark for assistance.
- Snowstorm - no complaints (other than a few mail boxes).

-**OLD BUSINESS:** Justice Skinner received \$11,600 grant from State of New York Unified Court System. Check will come to Supervisor around April 15th with 180 days to complete projects. Discussion followed.

NEW BUSINESS:

• Councilman Keeler stated that trash day will be coming up May 1st from 8am - 12pm.

Next board meeting April 8th.

A **motion** was made by Councilman Keeler, seconded by Councilman Lynch, to adopt the following **resolution #10-03:**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Columbia Town Board hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the clerk of this body:

Highway Superintendent and highway employees – 8 hour work day

All other elected and appointed officials – 6 hour work day

VOTE: Buddle, aye; Keeler, aye, Lynch, aye; Teletnick, aye; Weiss, aye

Discussion on NYS Dept. of Ag. & Markets no longer handling dog licenses. Possible that each town would be responsible for mailing out renewals, etc. which would be an added expense. Clerk will keep the board updated when new information is received.

BOARD DISCUSSION:

Councilman Buddle stated that sometime in the future he would like to see a proposal for removing the underground fuel tank.

INPUT: The Board received input from those attending.

John Murtha: Thanks to the highway department for job well done during last snow storm.

A **motion** was made by Councilman Keeler, seconded by Councilman Buddle, to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,