

## REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

August 12, 2010

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Alfred was held at 7:00 pm Thursday, August 12, 2010 and opened by Supervisor Tom Mansfield with the pledge to the flag. Board members present were Tom Mansfield, Jerry Snyder, Mary Stearns, Donn Lang, and Fion MacCrea. Also present were Jason Whitwood, Chief of Police Tim O'Grady, County Legislator Doug Burdick and Janice Burdick. Absent was Jamie Mansfield.

**Police Report** – Chief O'Grady reviewed the written report. Noted that July was a slow month.

**Approval of Minutes** – The minutes of July 8, 2010 were approved with a motion by Mary Stearns, seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0.

**Monthly Report** – The monthly report was reviewed.

**County Legislator Doug Burdick** – District V meeting in Almond August 17, 2010 at 7:00 pm.

Reported that County dumping station fees will be going up. Can either buy a tag for \$150/year which is a 50% increase or pay so much per bag. This will begin 3/1/2011 and will help cover the cost of the solid waste program. There is 4-5 years left on the landfill then the County's plan is to close it. It will be monitored for 30 years once it is closed.

- Primary September 14<sup>th</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> time using new voting machines.
- Worker's Comp – will increase about \$900 from this year.

### Correspondence

- Request from Sugar Hill for letter of support to hook into Village of Alfred water system.
- Equalization Rate – 100%.
- Town of Baker – requesting resolution by Town supporting drilling of shale in NYS.

**Planning Board** – Jason Whitwood reported that they have finalized some of the wind issues in the local law and are working on the rental inspection law. Noted that NYS has a moratorium on fracking.

**General Abstract #8-2010** – Vouchers #86-97 in the amount of \$19937.51 were approved with a motion by Jerry Snyder seconded by Donn Lang and carried 5-0. Tom Mansfield reported that he came in prior to the meeting and looked over all vouchers and initialed them.

**Highway Abstract #8-2010** – Vouchers #106--126 in the amount of \$36289.70 were approved with a motion by Fion MacCrea seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0. \$22194.00 for East Valley Bridge.

### Highway Report –

Reviewed written report.

- Graded, rolled and brined Ormsby, Cook, Davis Hill, and Green Roads. Hartsville did the brining.
- Hartsville helped pull shoulders on Cook Road, we helped Hartsville with shoulders. We pulled shoulders on Green Road. Trimmed trees on Green Road.
- Helped Andover oil and stone 2 days.
- Grade and rolled East Valley on approaches to new bridge – blacktop by Blades. Hard rain that night caused a small settling issue at the face of the bridge deck – about 2.5'. County Engineer came and looked at it and thought it would be ok.
- Fred and Jamie went to Airflow to talk to owner and engineer about issues with the hoist of truck #23. They fixed truck by welding the hydraulic cylinder into the holding cup.
- Loader – axle shaft was worn and bearing slid on the axle. John Deere stated they would honor the warranty for these repairs.
- Next few weeks will be oil and stoning Oak Ridge and Random Road. Lake Road to the town line on Waterwells needs to be resealed.
- 2006 International – Teitsworth's guarantees \$27,000. Anything over that they would get 10%. Interested in replacing it with 1996 Mack 10 wheeler from the Town of West Almond.
- Would like to rent excavator for 1 month - \$2500-3500/month depending on a track one or wheeled one. Would like to rent it in September.

### **Highway Report Continued**

Jerry Snyder asked what they would do if there was a lot of rain during the month when renting the excavator. Can they go back to working 5 days instead of 4 – 10 hour days? Feels would be more productive if working 5 days. Tom Mansfield stated that only problem is none of the other Town's work Fridays so there would be no one to help on Friday's. Jerry also wondered if it was faster to do with the Grader. Doug Burdick stated that it is rough on the edges of the hardtop roads. Excavator does a better job. After further discussion a motion was made by Mary Stearns to rent the excavator for one month, seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0.

### **Supervisor's Report:**

1. Letter prepared by Fion MacCrea to State Senator Cathy Young requesting help with obtaining money for an addition to the Town Building to upgrade offices and provide more room for voting.

**Town Clerk-** Will be on vacation all of next week. Hunting licenses go on sale 8/16/10. Getting more information on the new dog licensing procedures and will be attending meetings regarding it.

**Financial Committee** – June 2010 bank statements were reviewed. A motion to approve the bank statements was made by Donn Lang seconded by Fion MacCrea and carried 5-0.

### **New Business**

- 2011 Budget – will set up workshops next month.
- 2011 Union Contract

A motion to adjourn at 8:25 pm was made by Donn Lang seconded by Fion MacCrea and carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janice L. Burdick  
Town Clerk