

DECEMBER 9, 2009

A regular meeting of the Madrid Town Board was called to order at 4:30 pm in the Town Office.

Members present: William Carkner, Tony Cooper, David Fisher, Tim Thisse, Kevin Finnegan and Judy Hargrave – Town Clerk.

Also present: Lloyd Grandy II, Kim Bisonette, Joe Finnegan, Aaron Jarvis, Tedra Cobb, William & Sherry Barkley, Jeff Gislon, Sara Day-Schulz and Dan McGrath.

Aaron Jarvis gave an update on the wastewater treatment plant project and showed the board the final plans.

Tony Cooper made the following resolution, second by Kevin Finnegan : Whereas the proposed project consists of the replacement of the existing wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) and influent pump station on the existing WWTP site and replacement of the Madrid Springs pump station within the Town's easement; and Whereas the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (6 NYCRR Part 617) does not include this project under the definition of Type I, Type II, exempt, or excluded actions; and Whereas the Town Board has reviewed the proposed project plan; NOW THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, that:

1. The Town will act as lead agency;
2. The project is an Unlisted Action
3. The project will not have a significant impact upon the environment;
4. A negative declaration be issued;
5. The negative declaration will be published in the Environmental Notice Bulletin; and
6. No further environmental review is required.

Roll call vote as follows: Tony Cooper – Aye, Kevin Finnegan – Aye, Tim Thisse – Aye, David Fisher – Aye and William Carkner – Aye.

A complete copy of the negative declaration SEQR is on file in the Town Office.

David Fisher made a resolution, second by Tim Thisse to submit the plans for the new WWTP to the DEC. All were in favor.

Tedra Cobb asked the board their feelings on raising sales tax and whether they thought the fuel tax should be removed. The overall consensus was to leave the fuel tax on and at least raising the sales tax was a better option because that way everyone pays not just taxpayers.

Sara Day-Schulz gave the annual update for the Town Historian and the Madrid Historical Society.

Dan McGrath wondered if the laptop for the planning board had been ordered. The price for a Dell is \$700. Tim Thisse made a motion, second by Tony Cooper to purchase the Dell computer for \$700. All were in favor.

Kim Bisonette showed the board a certificate that the town received from the NYSORPS regional director for having fair and equitable assessments for the 2009 tax rolls.

The monthly report was passed out.

The board reviewed the monthly bills. Tony Cooper made a motion, second by Kevin Finnegan to pay the monthly bills. General #384-409 for \$5,720.07, Highway #166-182

for \$4,152.94, Water #105-113 for \$1,204.27, Sewer #47-49 for \$3,624.47 and Light #12 for \$1,121.38. All were in favor.

No Communications.

Jeff Gilson gave a code enforcement officer report. There were seven applications submitted. The old Watson garage owner was given a court date for December 22, 2009. It was suggested that the Linda Armstrong property needs to be cleaned up again.

Old Business: John Carr had given Tim a report on the dam with a monetary value listed so it could be submitted to Senator Aubertine and Assemblywoman Scozzafava's offices.

Tony is also going to send them the budget for the waste water treatment plant to see if there is any funding available.

Bill asked Kevin and Tim what they recommend for compensation for heading up the water and sewer department. They came up with \$2500 now and another \$1500 after water school has been completed.

An executive session was called at 5:50 pm. At 6:12 the executive session was closed with no votes taken.

Bill Barkley would like the board to reconsider the amount of money they are willing to pay the water and sewer superintendent and he also thinks that Kevin Finnegan should reclude himself from voting on the issue due to personal reasons. The issue of appointing a water and sewer superintendent and the salary will be discussed at the January town board meeting.

New Business: Kevin Finnegan made a motion, second by David Fisher to sign a renewal lease with Pitney Bowes for the postage meter and scales for the cost of \$51.00 per month. All were in favor.

Tony Cooper would like to thank both Bill Carkner and Chet Tyndall for their years of service to the Town of Madrid.

Tony Cooper made a motion, second by Kevin Finnegan to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. All were in favor.

Tony Cooper made a motion, second by Tim Thisse to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:25 pm.

Judy Hargrave, Town Clerk