

Supervisor Walters calls the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

TOWN BOARD MEMBERS

PRESENT:

Steven J. Walters	Supervisor
Thomas M. Best, Sr.	Councilman
Joan A. Kesner	Councilwoman
Thomas Quatroche, Jr.	Councilman
Kevin Smardz	Councilman

OTHERS PRESENT: Catherine A. Rybczynski, Town Clerk; Mary Dosch, Sr. Account Clerk; Brian Doyle, Deputy Town Attorney; Linda Rogers, Council member’s secretary; Martin Denecke, Director of Recreation; John Farrell, Director of Senior Services

1.

On a motion of Supervisor Walters, seconded by Councilman Best, the following resolution was

ADOPTED: Ayes 5 Walters, Best, Kesner, Quatroche, Smardz
 Noes 0

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approve the appointment of Bojan Vito Popovski to the vacant position of Dog Control Officer P/T effective June 2, 2008 for the Police Dept. Salary is \$11.97 per hour; funds available in A3510.100.

2.

On a motion of Councilman Best, seconded by Councilman Quatroche, the following resolution was

ADOPTED: Ayes 5 Walters, Best, Kesner, Quatroche, Smardz
 Noes 0

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board approve the hiring of the following in the Buildings and Grounds Department. Funds are available in A.7140.100.

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|-----------------------|----------------|---------|--------|
| 1. Wickett, Thomas | Laborer, Seas. | 5/20/08 | \$7.98 |
| 2. Smith, Christopher | Laborer, Seas. | 5/20/08 | \$7.98 |

3.

On a motion of Councilman Quatroche, seconded by Councilwoman Kesner, the following resolution was

ADOPTED: Ayes 5 Walters, Best, Kesner, Quatroche, Smardz
 Noes 0

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approve the alcohol waivers for the following July 2008 Taylor Road rentals:

7/01/08	7/12/08	7/20/08
7/03/08	7/13/08	7/21/08
7/04/08	7/14/08	7/23/08
7/05/08	7/15/08	7/24/08
7/06/08	7/16/08	7/25/08
7/07/08	7/17/08	7/27/08
7/08/08	7/18/08	7/28/08
7/10/08	7/19/08	7/30/08
7/11/08		

4.

On a motion of Councilman Best, seconded by Councilman Smardz, the following resolution was

ADOPTED: Ayes 5 Walters, Best, Kesner, Quatroche, Smardz
 Noes 0

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Engineer’s report on the completion and acceptance of the PATIOS AT BROMPTON SUBDIVISION street light installation work performed under Public Improvement Permit No. 867 be received and accepted, and that the Supervisor is authorized to sign the report; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorize New York State Electric & Gas (NYSEG) to connect four (4) 50-watt high pressure sodium luminaries in accordance with the existing rate tariff; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that two certified copies of this resolution be provided to the Engineering Department for transmittal to NYSEG, and that this resolution becomes effective on the day the report is signed by the Supervisor.

5.

ADOPTED: Ayes 5 Walters, Best, Kesner, Quatroche, Smardz
Noes 0

7.

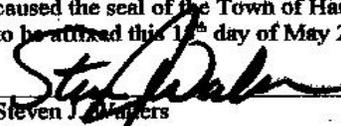
On a motion of Supervisor Walters, with a unanimous second, the following resolution was

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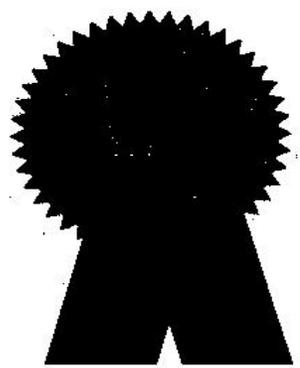
- WHEREAS,** Nussbaumer & Clarke, Inc. is celebrating 75 years in business; and
- WHEREAS,** Nussbaumer & Clarke, Inc. is a locally owned Engineering and Land firm with 65 employees in Western New York; and
- WHEREAS,** Nussbaumer & Clarke, Inc. provides technical services to improve the quality of life and the environment for both public and private sector clients in upstate New York and northern Pennsylvania; and
- WHEREAS,** Nussbaumer & Clarke, Inc. has become a leader in its field and a model of success for all businesses; and
- WHEREAS,** Nussbaumer & Clarke, Inc. is well respected by its employees, its clients and the Hamburg community.

NOW THEREFORE, on behalf of all Town of Hamburg Officials, we congratulate Nussbaumer & Clarke, Inc. for 75 years in business. We wish Nussbaumer & Clarke, Inc. many more years of success.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have caused the seal of the Town of Hamburg to be affixed this 1st day of May 2008.


Steven J. Walters
Supervisor
Town of Hamburg

Joan A. Kesner, Councilwoman
Thomas J. Quatroche, Jr., Councilman
Thomas M. Best, Sr., Councilman
Kevin Smardz, Councilman



ADOPTED: Ayes 5 Walters, Best, Kesner, Quatroche, Smardz
Noes 0

8.

On a motion of Supervisor Walters, with a unanimous second, the following resolution was

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WHEREAS, today we are recognizing the achievement of rank of Eagle Scout; and

WHEREAS, Brian Makey Raab constructed wooden benches, a table and teacher's bench for Kenneglenn Nature Preserve in Wales.

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of America has a long tradition of developing fine young men who service their communities; and

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts instill values in their members that stay with them throughout their lives.

NOW THEREFORE, on behalf of the Town Board of the Town of Hamburg, we salute:

Brian Makey Raab

for his achievement of Eagle Scout. Congratulations and continue your hard work and dedication to the troop. Good luck with your future endeavors.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have caused the seal of the Town of Hamburg to be affixed this 17th day of May 2008.


STEVEN J. WALTERS
Supervisor
Town of Hamburg

Joan A. Kesner, Councilwoman
Thomas J. Quatroche, Jr., Councilman
Thomas M. Best, Sr., Councilman
Kevin Smardz, Councilman



ADOPTED: Ayes 5 Walters, Best, Kesner, Quatroche, Smardz
Noes 0

9.

On a motion of Supervisor Walters, seconded by Councilman Best, the following resolution was

Town of Hamburg
Office of Supervisor

In Recognition of Louis "Snookie" Obad, Jr.

WHEREAS, Upon the retirement from the position of Laborer with the Town of Hamburg; and

WHEREAS, Louis "Snookie" Obad, Jr. held the positions of Motor Equipment Operator, Heavy Motor Equipment Operator, Crew Chief and Laborer for the Buildings and Grounds Department; and

WHEREAS, Louis "Snookie" Obad, Jr. has served the Town of Hamburg for twenty three years and in these capacities demonstrated his dedication to excellence in these roles, and

WHEREAS, The leadership, dedication and hard work that he has exemplified has earned him the highest respect and admiration of his coworkers; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Hamburg has been fortunate for Louis "Snookie" Obad, Jr.'s outstanding dedication and service to the town;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Hamburg commends and thanks Louis "Snookie" Obad, Jr. for his dedication and service to the Town of Hamburg and wishes him well as he enjoys his well deserved retirement with his wife, Bea, and three sons, Joseph, Nicholas and Louis. The Town also wishes him success in all his future endeavors.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have caused the seal of the Town of Hamburg to be affixed this 15th day of May 2008.



Steven J. Walters
Supervisor
Town of Hamburg

Joan A. Kesner, Councilwoman
Thomas J. Quatroche, Jr., Councilman
Thomas M. Best, Sr., Councilman
Kevin Smardz, Councilman



ADOPTED: Ayes 5 Walters, Best, Kesner, Quatroche, Smardz
 Noes 0

TOWN BOARD MAY 19, 2008
 AUDIT OF CASH DISBURSEMENTS

VOUCHER #'S

OPERATING FUND:

BATCH # 57	\$17,669.27	26292
BATCH # 58	\$14,072.50	26293
BATCH # 59	\$90,560.92	26350-26421
BATCH # 60	\$59,580.48	26431-26509
BATCH # 61	\$37,650.00	36510
BATCH # 62	\$7,000,000.00	26511
BATCH # 63	\$3,000,000.00	26512
BATCH # 64	\$233,770.01	UNPROCESSED
BATCH # 65	\$8,616.88	UNPROCESSED

TOTAL OPERATING FUND DISBURSEMENTS: \$10,461,920.06

TRUST & AGENCY:

BATCH # 21	\$56,273.35
BATCH # 22	\$516,946.42

TOTAL TRUST & AGENCY DISBURSEMENTS: \$573,219.77

CAPITAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS:

BATCH # 33	\$8,728.37	26426-26430
BATCH # 34	\$191,396.79	UNPROCESSED

TOTAL CAPITAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS: \$200,125.16

PAYROLL:

PR # 10 \$498,775.27

TOTAL PAYROLL DISBURSEMENTS: \$498,775.27

PETTY CASH \$0.00

TOTAL CASH DISBURSEMENTS SUBMITTED FOR AUDIT: \$11,734,040.26

Supervisor Walters notes that he is in favor of the bike path and thinks that it is something that will benefit this community. He is not in favor of the existing plan. He is going to ask that the

Town Board sit together and look to developing an alternative that weakens the Hoover Beach neighborhood. He doesn't believe a bike path should go through the Hoover Beach neighborhood with the opposition that is seen in that neighborhood. He doesn't believe this is about a New York State grant. As much as he would like to see a NYS grant on the table to help pay for it, if this is only about using money received from the State, then they will come up with a product that's not going to benefit the Town in the long run. In the short run they may come up with something that benefits the Town in the long run but that will not happen if they focus solely on getting something done to use the grant. He is hoping to get something done with still using the grant. He wants to sit down with the Board and see what can be done. A plan needs to be put in place as to what the final product is going to be and then phase in that product. This is what his position is and he's asking that they take a look at the big picture. How do they want the bike path to get from point A, Lackawanna, to point B, Evans, and anything in between.

Councilman Smardz states that this is not an anti or pro bike path decision tonight, a specific project that happens to be a bike path is being discussed. He would love a bike path with the proper location but working with the neighborhoods and the funding needs to be considered. He thinks people were misled into thinking that there was almost \$300,000 being received in grant money. It was actually \$140,000 and the Town put another \$140,000 in. The start point and end point of the path was misleading people. As a board he thinks they can sit down and look at other ways to move forth. With that, he will not support this specific project but will work together with the Board to move forward.

Councilman Quatroche notes that if there was a vote tonight, he would be voting in favor of the bike path. He notes that he did talk to Drew Reilly with mitigating some of the concerns of the Hoover Beach residents and he explained that there was an opportunity to do that but there would be additional expense. There is a bird in the hand with the State grant and the future is uncertain as far as grants in this regard. He agrees that they need to continue to plan for this project. In his eyes and with talking with Drew he thinks there are ways to mitigate it if they put forth a resolution that said they would accept this grant in addition to that it's a worth while investment for the Town to make. He notes that he is not a biker but understands the value of recreation. He hopes they can move forward with the plan expeditiously.

Councilwoman Kesner thanks the Board for their comments and notes that she's not surprised with what she's hearing but is happy to hear that this project is not dead in the water. That they are looking to sit down and look at a bike path in this Town. Some of her concerns are Councilman Smardz's remark with reference to the reconstruction plan, she never said it was in this plan, it's in the Southtown's connector plan. The plans have been on her desk in the Council's Office and it shows exactly where it ends so in no way did anyone try to mislead anyone. She notes that she has always tried to work with the community and she did have a member from that community on that board. All the changes and planning shows that they were trying to work with the community, this was well publicized and not something going on in the back room. She is really happy to hear that this is not a dead issue and it will move forward.

10.

On a motion of Supervisor Walters, seconded by Councilman Quatroche, the following resolution was

ADOPTED: Ayes 5 Walters, Best, Kesner, Quatroche, Smardz
 Noes 0

RESOLVED, that the Town Board move into Executive Session on a legal matter at 6:20 p.m.

11.

On a motion of Supervisor Walters, seconded by Councilman Quatroche, the following resolution was

ADOPTED: Ayes 5 Walters, Best, Kesner, Quatroche, Smardz
 Noes 0

RESOLVED, that the Town Board close Executive Session at 6:40 p.m.