

HAGUE TOWN BOARD MEETING

August 11, 2015

6:00 pm

Members present: Supervisor Frasier G. Kuenzel
 M. Fitzgerald II R. Meola
 S. Ramant

Motion by M. Fitzgerald II, seconded by G. Kuenzel to open the meeting at 6:00 pm. All voting yes. Motion carried.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Moment of Silence: Frank Koenig

Laura Saffer gave a presentation on the WIC program. The WIC program is available to pregnant/breastfeeding/postpartum moms, infants & children under 5 years of age. Working families and those on unemployment may be eligible. To schedule an appointment call Warren County WIC at 518-761-6425 or go to www.warrencountyny.gov/WIC

The Town Board audited the bills.

Welcome Guests/Privilege of the floor:

Resolution #78 of 2015: Introduced by R. Meola, seconded by G. Kuenzel.

Resolved, to authorize the Supervisor to pay General, Highway & Sewer Claims audited at tonight's meeting (\$47,053.01, \$600.00, \$820.00, \$16,354.95, \$395.51, \$285.01).

AYES: Supervisor Frasier, M. Fitzgerald II, S. Ramant, R. Meola and G. Kuenzel.

Nays: None

Carried: 5-0

Motion by G. Kuenzel, seconded by M. Fitzgerald II to accept minutes of July 14, 2015 with correction to the seconded page changing requested to required under the Wastewater Variance motion. All voting yes. Motion carried. Councilman Meola asked if a letter was ever sent to Jerry Frasier in regards his complete with a personnel matter. Supervisor Frasier explained that Jerry has been informed of the Boards decision in regards to this matter and there will be no letter sent to him.

Regular Committee Report:

1. Assessor & Justice: (Meola/Kuenzel): Councilman Meola has been reviewing the agreement with between the Town of Hague and Silver Bay Association. The first agreement was signed on January 1, 1999 whereas Silver Bay Association paid the Town of Hague annually \$20,000 in lieu of taxes. The agreement was amended in 2005 and increased to \$25,000 annually. Since then there has been no changes to the agreement. He would like a committee formed to negotiate this amount with Silver Bay.

Supervisor Frasier reported that she and Councilman Ramant have met with the new CEO of Silver Bay Association and have explained their concerns. A list of our concerns has also been given to the Silver Bay Association Board of Directors. At this time, we should wait to hear back from Silver Bay Association.

2. Buildings & Grounds/Community Center/Enhancement: (Fitzgerald/Frasier): Councilman Fitzgerald II reported that the back gutters have been installed. Councilman Fitzgerald II also reported that it will cost approximately \$20,000.00 to convert to a gas boiler at the Community Center. The in ground tank outside of the Community Center has been checked per DEC's request.

3. Finance & Insurance: (Meola/Ramant): No report.

4. Highway: (Fitzgerald/Ramant): Superintendent Smith reported that he has completed work on Wardsboro Road. Mr. Grey was in the audience and thanked Donny for doing an excellent job with the road. The Highway Dept. will begin cutting back grass and brush on Rt. 8 & 9. He will work on fixing the Town of Hague flags and will get in touch with Moriah Shock to see if he can get a crew down to help clean Heritage Cemetery.

Councilman Ramant, Rick Myers and Don Smith will be attending a meeting presented by Arrowhead on Brine in Warrensburg.

5. Museum & Historian: (Kuenzel/Ramant): Councilman Kuenzel reported that the Historical Society has installed new Historical Marker at the steam dock.

On August 20, 2015 descendants of Nathaniel Garfield will be presenting a slide show on their family at the Hague Community Center. There will also be a Gold cup regatta displace at the Hague Creek Gallery. This display will be moved later to the Hague Community Center. We are working on obtaining prices for name correction to the Veterans Park wall.

6. Personnel: (Meola/Kuenzel): No report.

7. Planning/Zoning/Storm water: (Fitzgerald/Ramant): The ZEO reported that the Planning & Zoning Boards have been busy.

8. Recreation & Promotion & Youth: (Ramant/Meola): Councilman Ramant reported that the Open Water Swim will be held on August 29, 2015. The Boy Scouts will be showing a movie at the Hague Town Park on August 25, 2015.

9. Sewer District # 1 & 2: (Frasier/Kuenzel): Supervisor Frasier reported that Cedarwood is still helping at the WWTP. There will be a Public Informational Meeting for all sewer residents on August 18, 2015 at 7 pm.

10. Town Park & Beautification: (Kuenzel/Ramant): Councilwoman Kuenzel reported that the Town of Hague has complied with the Department of Health's request at the beach. DOH seems to change their rules yearly, without Commercial Businesses knowing from year to year.

Councilman Ramant suggested that the Warren County Supervisors work with DOH on letting the Commercial Businesses know of changes prior to their inspections.

Councilwoman Kuenzel also thanked Terrie Davis for re-certifying the Hague Lifeguards, per DOH requirements.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion by M. Fitzgerald II, seconded by S. Ramant to change the hours at the WWTP to: 8 am to 4 pm, effective 8/17/2015 in the Employee Manual. All voting yes. Motion carried.

2. Motion by M. Fitzgerald II, seconded by G. Kuenzel to appointment of Joe McDowell as part time WWTPO at \$36.00 per hour. Effective 8/12/15. All voting yes. Motion carried.

SUPERVISORS REPORT & COUNTY REPORTS:

Supervisor Frasier reported that the ZEO has been working with the LA Group on a town-wide survey. The survey will be a valuable working tool for the Comprehensive Plan Committee.

The Kiwanis are giving the Town \$400.00 for a new bench by the flower garden.

Other:

Eric Robinson addressed the Town Board on the use of the Boat Slip. He tries to get the boat out in the allotted 2 hour time frame, but once in a while it exceeds the time. He pays high taxes for his property and also pays the \$300.00 commercial use of the slip. He is asking the Board if anything can be done to rectify the problem.

Also questions on if the Fire Boat could use last space were discussed and the Fire Dept. explained that they needed this amount of room in case of emergencies.

Councilman Fitzgerald II again mentioned that we look into expanding the boat slip.

The committee will look into solutions to the problem.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by R. Meola, seconded by M. Fitzgerald II to adjourn meeting at 7:20 pm. All voting yes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah F. Manning
Hague Town Clerk