

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Sweden was held at the Town Hall, 18 State Street, Brockport, New York, on Tuesday, January 9, 2007.

Town Board members present were Supervisor Buddy Lester, Councilperson Rob Carges, Councilperson Patricia Connors, Councilperson Tom Ferris and Councilperson Danielle Windus-Cook. Also present were Director of Finance Leisa Strabel, Superintendent of Highways Fred Perrine, and Town Clerk Karen Sweeting.

Visitors present were residents Jim Hamlin, Bob Canham and Jim Secord and the current Seymour Library Board President Lori Lessord.

Supervisor Lester called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and asked everyone present to say the Pledge to the Flag. Supervisor Lester then acknowledged the presence of the visitors and introduced Seymour Library Board President Lori Lessord. Ms. Lessord reported that the board was moving forward, emphasizing a strong sense of community. They are increasing the parameters for the director search and have received several promising applications from out-of-state. Ms. Lessord thanked Councilperson Carges for attending the anniversary celebration and thanked the Town Board for their continued support. Supervisor Lester stated that the Seymour Library was a “jewel” in our community and another example of inter-municipal cooperation.

Resident Bob Canham asked for detailed copies of the resolutions on the agenda so that the visitors attending each meeting could see in detail what the board was working on. Supervisor Lester pointed out that copies of resolutions had already been made for visitors of this meeting and included with their agenda. Mr. Canham asked if the Town had ever prepared a mission statement. He added that the Village of Brockport has a statement and directed the board to review Fulton’s website which also has a mission statement. Councilperson Connors stated that she has been through the process and it is a lengthy, strategic planning process to formulate a mission statement, it is not a matter of just “whipping” up a statement. Mrs. Connors added that you must include all boards and staff to come up with a vision for the Town as a whole. Councilperson Ferris stated that New York State does NOT require it. Councilperson Carges stated that during the election the candidates state and run on their record. Supervisor Lester added that the Town Board tries to provide the most services at the best price. The needs of the Town are always changing; the Town should not be “locked in” by a statement.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilperson Ferris made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Connors to accept the minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting held on December 28, 2006. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion adopted.

Councilperson Carges made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Ferris to accept the minutes of the Organizational Meeting held January 2, 2007. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion adopted.

Councilperson Ferris made a motion that was seconded by Supervisor Lester to accept the minutes of the Special Meeting held on January 4, 2007. All voted in favor of the motion – four ayes. Councilperson Connors abstained, she was unable to attend the Special Meeting. Motion adopted.

SUPERVISOR’S CORRESPONDENCE

2007 Received From:

1. Jamie Pricola
2. Kevin Burns, Chief of Grants,

Comments:

Resignation
Sweden Town Park Canal Access Path grant

- NYSRHP application - denied
3. Harry and Deanna Shifton, residents Traffic issues on Route 31

RE: #1 Councilperson Carges made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Ferris to accept with regrets the resignation of Jamie Pricola from the Sweden Clarkson Community Center. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion adopted.

Councilperson Carges asked if there was any reason why, particularly with the Student Helpers, the Town should not keep the person on the employment rolls instead of accepting resignations and then possibly rehiring the same person at a later date. Most of the students leave due to class schedules and other obligations. Mr. Carges suggested that the Town keep these individuals on the payroll; they may be available if a shift needs to be covered temporarily.

RE: #3 Supervisor Lester stated that he forwarded the Shifton's traffic concerns to Kevin Buckley from NYSDOT.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

December 2006 departmental reports were received and reviewed by the Town Board from the following departments: Building Department, Jim Butler; Dog Control, Kathy Beaumont; and Town Clerk, Karen Sweeting.

REPORTS

Councilperson Carges reported that he spoke with Mike Cardillo from AIRCON regarding the maintenance agreement for 2007. (Resolution tabled from December 12, 2006) There are no changes to the proposed contract. Mr. Carges also asked Mr. Cardillo for a quote to maintain the systems at the recreation center. Currently Monroe Piping maintains the systems and the contract will expire March 31, 2007. Mr. Carges provided the Board with an update regarding the acoustic paneling at the Sweden Clarkson Community Center. The Board asked that Mr. Carges meet with Recreation Director David Scott and discuss at a workshop. Mr. Carges also reported that the parking lights have been repaired at the SCCC.

Councilperson Connors reported that she attended the annual installation of new officers for the Fire Department. Mrs. Connors, along with Councilpersons Windus-Cook and Carges, dined at the Sweden Senior Center. Mrs. Connors stated that meal was very good; the hamburger was tasty and moist. Mrs. Connors also reported that she met with the mass dispensing committee, met with the Town Clerk for further updates/revisions to the Emergency Operating Plan of the Town of Sweden and attended a Department Head meeting at the Town Hall.

Councilperson Ferris also attended the installation of new officers of the Fire Department. Mr. Ferris reported that he has referred residents to the Route 531 Public Hearing being held on January 10, 2007 at the Hill School. Mr. Ferris and Supervisor Lester dined at the Senior Center and Mr. Ferris stated that the meal was fantastic and upon speaking with Nancy Duff the Senior Center Nutrition Program Site Manager, found that the responses to the ABVI meals have been positive. Mr. Ferris stated that the participants did not receive "boxed lunches" or "soggy vegetables". Mr. Ferris stated that the misinformation that residents received before ABVI began serving discouraged many. It is the job of the Nutrition Program Site Manager to make sure that ABVI maintains the quality of the meals.

Councilperson Windus-Cook reminded the Board that the Route 531 hearing would be held January 10, 2007 at 7:00 pm at the Hill School. Ms. Windus-Cook encouraged all members to attend.

Superintendent of Highways Fred Perrine reported that the sewer line installation on Redman Road is progressing. The plows and trucks are ready for the weather and salt usage is down.

Supervisor Lester reported the loss of Town employee Dan Kepler; shared calling hours and funeral arrangements with the board.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 17 Appoint Member to the Town of Sweden
Environmental Conservation Board – J. Morris

WHEREAS, a vacancy has occurred on the Town of Sweden Environmental Conservation Board due to the resignation of Gerald Foster; and

WHEREAS, Jacqueline Morris has expressed an interest to serve on the Environmental Conservation Board and contribute to the community.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- Sec. 1. That the Town Board of the Town of Sweden does hereby appoint Jacqueline Morris to the Environmental Conservation Board to fill the vacancy.
- Sec. 2. That this term of membership will begin January 1, 2007 and end on December 31, 2008.
- Sec. 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

MOTION for adoption of this resolution by Councilperson Connors
Seconded by Councilperson Windus-Cook

Discussion: Supervisor Lester stated that Mrs. Morris is very dedicated to our community. Councilperson Ferris mentioned that some might see the appointment as a conflict due to Raymond Morris, husband, being on the same board, but Mr. Ferris and the Board members do not see a conflict with the appointment. The Town Board members agreed that the Environmental Conservation Board is an “advisory” board. Mrs. Morris has a long history of serving the community and will be an asset to the board.

VOTE BY ROLL CALL AND RECORD:

Councilperson Carges	<u>Aye</u>	
Councilperson Connors	<u>Aye</u>	
Councilperson Ferris	<u>Aye</u>	
Councilperson Windus-Cook	<u>Aye</u>	
Supervisor Lester	<u>Aye</u>	
Submitted – January 9, 2007		Adopted

RESOLUTION NO. 18 Rescinding Resolution No. 3 of 2007,
Section 3 - Appointment to the Seymour
Library Board - Stettner

WHEREAS, the By-Laws of the Seymour Library Board of Trustees, Section 2.3 Terms and Term Limits, states that Trustees shall not serve for longer than two five-year appointments; and

WHEREAS, David Stettner has completed two five-year consecutive terms ending December 31, 2006.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Sec. 1. That the Town Board of the Town of Sweden hereby rescinds Section 3, Seymour Library Board appointment, David Stettner, from Resolution No. 3 of January 2, 2007.

Sec. 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

MOTION for adoption of this resolution by Councilperson Connors
Seconded by Councilperson Carges

Discussion:

VOTE BY ROLL CALL AND RECORD:

Councilperson Carges	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Connors	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Ferris	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Windus-Cook	<u>Aye</u>
Supervisor Lester	<u>Aye</u>

Submitted – January 9, 2007

Adopted

RESOLUTION NO. 205-2006/19-2007

Authorizing Preventative Maintenance
Contract for 2007 - AIRCON

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED:

Sec. 1. That the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to enter into a contract with AIRCON, P.O. Box 184, Hilton, New York, for preventative maintenance of the heating system and air conditioning units at the Town Hall and the heating systems, air conditioning units and coolers and freezers at the Senior Center for the amount of ONE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY-FOUR AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$1,684.00) for the year beginning January 1, 2007, and ending on December 31, 2007, with said amount to be paid in quarterly installments of \$421.00.

Sec. 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

**Councilperson Carges made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Windus-Cook to table the resolution. Mr. Carges would like an opportunity to discuss some services changes at the Senior Center. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion adopted. RESOLUTION TABLED.

**Resolution placed on the agenda for review/vote by Town Board January 9, 2007.

MOTION for adoption of this resolution by Councilperson Connors
Seconded by Councilperson Carges

Discussion:

VOTE BY ROLL CALL AND RECORD:

Councilperson Carges	<u>Aye</u>	
Councilperson Connors	<u>Aye</u>	
Councilperson Ferris	<u>Aye</u>	
Councilperson Windus-Cook	<u>Aye</u>	
Supervisor Lester	<u>Aye</u>	
Submitted – December 12, 2006/January 9, 2007		Adopted

RESOLUTION NO. 20 Appoint Member to the Town of Sweden
Planning Board – Dollard

WHEREAS, a vacancy has occurred on the Town of Sweden Planning Board due to the resignation of Edward Williams; and

WHEREAS, Richard Dollard has expressed an interest to serve on the Planning Board and contribute to the community.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- Sec. 1. That the Town Board of the Town of Sweden does hereby appoint Richard Dollard to the Planning Board to fill the vacancy.
- Sec. 2. That this term of membership will begin January 1, 2007 and end on December 31, 2013.
- Sec. 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

MOTION for adoption of this resolution by Councilperson Windus-Cook
Seconded by Councilperson Connors

Discussion: Supervisor Lester stated that he was the attorney for the estate of Margaret McGrath and for the Margaret A. McGrath Charitable Foundation of which Mr. Dollard is the Executive Director and would abstain from voting on this resolution. Mr. Lester added that the foundation is a scholarship fund for students awarded to Hamlin or Sweden residents. Councilperson Ferris stated that he was also involved in the formation of the foundation and would abstain from voting on this resolution.

VOTE BY ROLL CALL AND RECORD:

Councilperson Carges	<u>Aye</u>	
Councilperson Connors	<u>Aye</u>	
Councilperson Ferris	<u>Abstain</u>	
Councilperson Windus-Cook	<u>Aye</u>	
Supervisor Lester	<u>Abstain</u>	
Submitted – January 9, 2007		Adopted

DISCUSSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supervisor Lester announced that he and Councilperson Ferris met with Nutrition Program Site Manager, Nancy Duff, to discuss the receptionist vacancy at the Senior Center. The position will be posted and advertised. Supervisor Lester also announced that he received correspondence from the Sweden Justices regarding dangerous dog complaints. Mr. Lester stated that the Town Attorney would now assist in completing the paperwork; the complaints are more involved than a typical appearance ticket.

A workshop meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 16, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business to come before the Board, Councilperson Carges moved to adjourn the January 9, 2007 meeting of the Sweden Town Board at 8:15 p.m. Councilperson Ferris seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Sweeting
Town Clerk