

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, November 25, 2008.

Town Board Members present were Supervisor Buddy Lester, Councilperson Rob Carges, Councilperson Patricia Connors and Councilperson Tom Ferris. Councilperson Danielle Windus-Cook was absent. Also present were Finance Director Leisa Strabel, Superintendent of Highways Fred Perrine, Town Attorney Jim Bell, Director of Buildings and Grounds Jeremy Oakden and Town Clerk Karen Sweeting.

Visitors present were residents Jim Hamlin, Vesta Teeter and Cora Schrader.

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 acknowledged the presence of the visitors and asked if anyone had any comments or questions for the Town Board.

Resident Cora Schrader stated she was concerned about a core group at the Senior Center making it difficult for others at the center. Ms. Schrader wanted to make it clear that they did not represent her and several others. Ms. Schrader added that she supports and understands what the Town Board has to do and tries to get others to see that the Town Board truly cares about the center and the needs of the seniors. Ms. Schrader complimented Dave Scott, Recreation Director and stated that he is very responsive to the seniors needs.

Resident Vesta Teeter also complimented Dave Scott stating that he had been quick to respond to a request.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilperson Connors made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Carges to accept the minutes of the Public Hearing – Local Law 8 of 2008 – Cold War Veterans Exemptions held on November 12, 2008. All voted in favor of the motion – three ayes. Councilperson Ferris was not present at the public hearing and Councilperson Windus-Cook was absent. Motion adopted.

Councilperson Connors made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Carges to accept the minutes of the Public Hearing – Special District Assessment 2009 held on November 12, 2008. All voted in favor of the motion – four ayes. Councilperson Windus-Cook was absent. Motion adopted.

Councilperson Connors made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Carges to accept the minutes of the regular Town Board meeting held on November 12, 2008. All voted in favor of the motion – four ayes. Councilperson Windus-Cook was absent. Motion adopted.

#### SUPERVISOR'S CORRESPONDENCE

2008	Received From:	Comments:
*1.	Fred Perrine, Superintendent of Highways	Recommendation to purchase "Low Boy" Equipment Trailer
*2.	Fred Perrine, Superintendent of Highways	Request to purchase trailer
*3.	Joseph Tidd, Recreation	Resignation
*4.	Kristin Judd, Recreation	Resignation
*5.	Eva Levingrub, Recreation	Resignation
*6.	David Scott, Recreation Director	Recommendation to hire Recreation Asst. PT

\*Board has copies

RE: #2 Councilperson Carges made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Ferris to grant the request of Superintendent of Highways Fred Perrine to purchase an equipment trailer from federal surplus in the amount of \$400. All voted in favor of the motion – four ayes.

Councilperson Windus-Cook was absent. Motion adopted.

RE: #3 Councilperson Ferris made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Connors to accept with regrets the resignation of Joseph Tidd from the Sweden Clarkson Community Center. All voted in favor of the motion – four ayes. Councilperson Windus-Cook was absent. Motion adopted.

RE: #4 Councilperson Ferris made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Connors to accept with regrets the resignation of Kristin Judd from the Sweden Clarkson Community Center. All voted in favor of the motion – four ayes. Councilperson Windus-Cook was absent. Motion adopted.

RE: #5 Councilperson Ferris made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Connors to accept with regrets the resignation of Eva Levingrub from the Sweden Clarkson Community Center. All voted in favor of the motion – four ayes. Councilperson Windus-Cook was absent. Motion adopted.

## REPORTS

Superintendent of Highways Fred Perrine reported that crews have already been salting roads and they have paved the Flynn Road project.

Director of Buildings and Grounds Jeremy Oakden reported that minor repairs, painting and trim work is underway at the Sweden Clarkson Community Center. Mr. Oakden to meet with Town Architect Dave Strabel to discuss renovations at the Sweden Senior Center.

Town Attorney Jim Bell discussed with the board a letter relative to town attorneys handling vehicle and traffic tickets. Supervisor Lester made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Carges to grant the request of Town Attorney Jim Bell to attend the annual Association of Towns meeting in February 2009. All voted in favor of the motion – four ayes. Councilperson Windus-Cook was absent. Motion adopted.

Finance Director Leisa Strabel reported that she met with Brockport Fire Chief Tim Rombaut. Mr. Rombaut extended an invitation to the Town Board to attend a presentation of the Fire Department five-year capital budget plan on December 10, 2008. Councilpersons Connors and Carges volunteered to attend.

Councilperson Carges had no report.

Councilperson Connors reported that she had created a Point of Dispensing (POD) information brochure for the Town's website that explains a POD and encourages volunteers to sign up. Mrs. Connors also mentioned as part of emergency planning the State has a website (<http://www.nyalert.gov>) where citizens can sign up to receive all-hazard alerts via email, text, phone call, etc. Another information brochure geared towards family emergency preparedness will be posted to the Town's website soon.

Councilperson Ferris reported that he met with the Greater Brockport Chamber of Commerce to present the recommendations of the Regional Marketing Committee in marketing the chambers business members. Mr. Ferris discussed a community calendar that would list all area events of the town, village, college, school district, churches, etc. in one common location with links from each site.

Supervisor Lester reported that he met with Harry Shifton, a member of the Walk Bike Brockport Action Group, to discuss the matching grant received by the Town to build a trail along the abandoned trolley bed between Owens and Sweden Walker Roads. Mr. Shifton said that the group didn't expect town tax dollars to be used to build or maintain trails. Mr. Shifton

shared an example of a revocable permit, which Mr. Lester explained is pretty much the same thing as a license. The Town needs an easement from the Village of Brockport in order to build the trail across a small piece of village-owned property. Mr. Lester met with Bill Andrews relative to the village easement. The village does not want to grant an easement, instead the village board is willing to issue a license. Unfortunately, a license can be revoked meaning that the trail could effectively be closed by the village at any time. An easement is permanent, assuring the Town that the trail would remain open. Supervisor Lester is hesitant to invest time and resources into a trail that could easily be closed at any time by the village. Mr. Lester also reported that he met with the Sweden Senior Association officers and treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 149                      Approval of Regular Town Board Meetings for 2009

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the Sweden Town Board to have the Clerk advertise in the official Town newspaper the regular Town Board meetings for 2009.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Sec. 1.                      That the dates for regular Town Board meetings for 2009 be approved as listed below:

January 2, 2009 - 4:00 PM - Organizational Meeting

January 13, 2009 @ 7:30 PM	July 28, 2009 @ 7:30 PM
January 27, 2009 @ 7:30 PM	

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February 10, 2009 @ 7:30 PM	August 25, 2009 @ 7:30 PM
February 24, 2009 @ 7:30 PM	

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*March 14, 2009 @ 9:00 AM (held @ SCCC)	*September 12, 2009 @ 9:00 AM (held @ SCCC)
March 24, 2009 @ 7:30 PM	September 22, 2009 @ 7:30 PM

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April 14, 2009 @ 7:30 PM	October 13, 2009 @ 7:30 PM
April 28, 2009 @ 7:30 PM	October 27, 2009 @ 7:30 PM

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*May 16, 2009 @ 9:00 AM (held @ SCCC)	November 10, 2009 @ 7:30 PM
May 26, 2009 @ 7:30 PM	November 24, 2009 @ 7:30 PM

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June 23, 2009 @ 7:30 PM	December 8, 2009 @ 7:30 PM
	*December 30, 2009 @ 7:30 PM

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

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

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>Absent</u>
Supervisor Lester	<u>Aye</u>

Submitted – November 25, 2008

Adopted

RESOLUTION NO. 150

Authorizing Supervisor to Enter Into Agreement Extending Dog Control Services to Town of Clarkson

WHEREAS, the Town of Sweden and the Town of Clarkson did heretofore execute a certain Dog Control Services Contract; and

WHEREAS, both parties desire to extend such agreement for an additional period of one (1) year.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Sec. 1. That the Supervisor hereby is authorized to enter into an agreement with the Town of Clarkson extending dog control services.

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>Absent</u>
Supervisor Lester	<u>Aye</u>

Submitted – November 25, 2008

Adopted

RESOLUTION NO. 151

Authorizing Supervisor to Enter Into Agreement for Dog Kennel Services To Town of Ogden

WHEREAS, the Town of Sweden and the Town of Ogden desire to continue their Dog Kennel Services Contract,

WHEREAS, said agreement shall continue to and through December 31, 2009 and may be renewed each year.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Sec. 1. That the Town Board of the Town of Sweden does hereby authorize the Supervisor to sign the Agreement with the Town of Ogden for Dog Kennel Services.

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

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

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>Absent</u>
Supervisor Lester	<u>Aye</u>

Submitted – November 25, 2008

Adopted

RESOLUTION NO. 152 Award Bid “Low Boy” Equipment Trailer

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk advertised for bids pursuant to law for the purchase of one (1) new “Low Boy” Equipment Trailer, and the following bids were received and opened on November 14, 2008, at 10:00 a.m.:

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Amount of Bid</u>
George & Swede Sales & Service, Inc. 7155 Big Tree Road Pavilion, NY 14525	\$39,700
Monroe Tractor 7941 Oak Orchard Road Batavia, NY 14020	\$43,473

WHEREAS, after review by the Highway Superintendent, he recommends awarding the bid to George & Swede Sales & Service, Inc., 7155 Big Tree Road, Pavilion, NY 14525 for the purchase of one (1) new “Low Boy” Equipment Trailer, for a bid price of \$39,700.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Sec. 1. That the Town Board, upon the recommendation of the Highway Superintendent, awards the bid for one (1) new “Low Boy” Equipment Trailer to George & Swede Sales & Service, Inc. for a total bid price of \$39,700.

Sec. 2. That upon delivery of said equipment the Supervisor shall pay the invoice from the Highway Fund.

Sec. 3. 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>Absent</u>
Supervisor Lester	<u>Aye</u>

Submitted – November 25, 2008

Adopted

RESOLUTION NO. 153

Appoint Recreation Assistant PT - Franklin

WHEREAS, the resignation of Kristin Judd creates a vacancy for a part time Recreation Assistant; and

WHEREAS, Recreation Director David Scott has recommended Joel Franklin for the position.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- Sec. 1. That the Town Board of the Town of Sweden does hereby appoint Joel Franklin as Recreation Assistant PT for a maximum of 24 hours per week.
- Sec. 2. That the hourly rate of pay is \$8.00 with a start date of November 24, 2008.
- Sec. 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

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>Absent</u>
Supervisor Lester	<u>Aye</u>

Submitted – November 25, 2008

Adopted

RESOLUTION NO. 154

Ordering Public Hearing on Fire Protection Contract for 2009

WHEREAS, there has been duly established in the Town a fire protection district known as the Sweden Fire Protection District, which embraces all territory in said Town except the incorporated Village of Brockport; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary, pursuant to law, for this Board to provide for the furnishing of fire protection within the Town of Sweden.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- Sec. 1. That, pursuant to the provisions of Section 184 of Town Law of the State of New York, a public hearing is ordered with reference to the execution of a proposed fire protection contract between the Town of Sweden and the Village of

Brockport for a sum of \$317,494 for fire protection, for the year 2009; said hearing to be held Tuesday, December 9, 2008, at 7:15 PM at the Sweden Town Hall, 18 State Street, Brockport, New York, and that notice of the hearing be published, specifying the time and place of the hearing and describing the proposed contract in general terms.

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

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

Discussion: The Town Board expressed their appreciation for all volunteers of fire and emergency departments.

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>Absent</u>
Supervisor Lester	<u>Aye</u>

Submitted – November 25, 2008

Adopted

APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS

All of the Board members reviewed the invoice audit journal. Councilperson Ferris made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Carges authorizing payment of the bills in Abstract 11 dated November 26, 2008 in the amount of \$108,101.46. All voted in favor of the motion – four ayes. Councilperson Windus-Cook was absent. Motion adopted.

General Fund: In the amount of \$96,013.30 as set forth in Abstract 11 dated November 26, 2008.

Highway Fund: In the amount of \$12,088.16 as set forth in Abstract 11 dated November 26, 2008.

DISCUSSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supervisor Lester made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Carges to amend Resolution No. 140 of October 28, 2008 (Authorize Supervisor to Sign National Grid Street Lighting Proposal Villas at Brandon Woods), Section 1 so that National Grid/Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation is hereby authorized to install **four** 100 watt high pressure sodium lamps, luminaries and direct embedded fiberglass poles. All voted in favor of the motion – four ayes. Councilperson Windus-Cook was absent. Motion adopted.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilperson Carges made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Ferris to go into executive session at 8:26 p.m. to discuss personnel at the Sweden Senior Center. All voted in favor of the motion – four ayes. Councilperson Windus-Cook was absent. Motion adopted.

No action taken.

Councilperson Connors made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Ferris to leave executive session and return to the regular meeting at 9:15 p.m. All voted in favor of the motion – four ayes. Councilperson Windus-Cook was absent. Motion adopted.

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business to come before the Board, Councilperson Carges moved to adjourn the November 25, 2008 meeting of the Sweden Town Board at 9:16 p.m. Councilperson Connors seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion – four ayes. Councilperson Windus-Cook was absent. Motion adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Sweeting  
Town Clerk