

**Town of Northumberland  
Town Board Meeting  
June 11, 2015**

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Northumberland Town Board was called to order @ 7:00 PM by Supervisor Willard Peck. Following the salute to the flag, roll call was taken. Those attending were Supervisor Willard Peck; Councilman Paul Bolesh; Councilman John DeLisle and Councilwoman Patricia Bryant. Also attending were Clerk Denise Murphy; Town Attorney Douglas Ward; Highway Sup't Harold Vance Jr and Building and Zoning Administrator Richard Colozza.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were comments from the Public

**MINUTES**

1. Councilwoman Patricia Bryant made a motion to approve minutes of the May 19, 2015 Regular Monthly Meeting. Councilman John DeLisle seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Dog Control Officer: Ed Cross, Dog Control Officer, submitted his May 2015 Monthly Report. Mr. Cross answered 3 complaints and issued 2 warnings.

2. The Town received a letter from Attorney Mark Schachner with Miller, Mannix, Schachner & Hafner, as Special Counsel to Saratoga County, regarding SEQRA Lead Agency Continuation the with the environmental review of permit modifications relating to the former County Landfill. The County served as SEQRA Lead Agency in Coordinated Review for both the initial Part 360 permitting process and the process of privatization of the County Landfill facility. Finch now seeks to consolidate the former County facility with Finch's existing Paper Residual Facility and expand the design capacity through a valley fill as envisioned in the Purchase and Sale Agreement. The County wishes to continue in that role for the upcoming actions. The Town of Northumberland both acknowledges and consents to the County's continuation in this role. Town Supervisor stated that this is the time that the Town of Northumberland needs to request that as part of this SEQRA review, that the Lead Agency and other parties evaluate potential impacts and mitigation measures regarding the use of Town Roads by heavy vehicles transporting waste to and from the Landfill site. Town Attorney Douglas Ward will draft a letter to Mark Schachner, Esq with Miller, Mannix, Schachner & Hafner regarding the town's concerns.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. Time Warner Cable: Supervisor Willard Peck stated that the Town Board needs to come up with a list of 5 +/- streets in the Town of Northumberland that they have ranked for the importance/need of high speed internet. Time Warner Cable has indicated that the Governor has put a side an amount of money to use in rural areas that do not have high speed internet available. Time Warner indicated that the roads that the Town Board had previously requested to have service extended to did not meet the 20

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homes per mile requirement which had a price tag of over \$1,000,000 to cover these areas. The Town Board ranked the following roads in order of the need for the expansion of high speed internet for including into a proposal for funding from the monies the Governor has put aside:

- #1 – Beaver Street
- #2 – King Road
- #3 – Homestead Road
- #4 – West River Road
- #5 – Peters Road (off West River Road)
- #6 – Austin Road (off West River Road)
- #7 – Wall Street

Town Attorney Douglas Ward stated that he will forward this information to Time Warner Cable.

- 2. Employee Handbook: Tabled

**NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. The Town received an email regarding the 2015 Erie Canalway Heritage Award Winners –Recipients offer models of successful heritage development. The Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor was pleased to announce that the 2015 Erie Canalway Heritage Award of Excellence has been awarded to the Hudson Crossing Park. The Heritage Award honors significant places of the Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor and recognizes excellence in advancing the goals of the Erie Canalway Preservation and Management Plan.
- 2. 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Triathlon at Hudson Crossing Park: Supervisor Willard Peck stated that the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Triathlon at Hudson Crossing Park was held on June 7<sup>th</sup> and 251 racers participated.
- 3. RFP's for Sweeper and Pickup Truck: Highway Sup't Harold Vance Jr. stated that based on the Town's Procurement Policy both the Sweeper and the Pickup Truck must go out as an RFP since it is anticipated that both will come in over the \$10,000 figure. Highway Sup't Harold Vance Jr. stated that originally he was going to investigate ordering the equipment off the State Bid but after talking to other Highway Sup't he was told to solicit RFP's because in many cases the total cost comes in lower than the State Bid. Highway Sup't Harold Vance Jr. stated that he has put together Specifications for a Hydraulic Sweeper. Mr. Vance stated that he is looking for the following specifications:

Service Manuals & wire diagrams; electric/hydraulic swing valve with controls w/brush reverse capabilities; 24 Volt System; Painted yellow with hidden motors; CAT IT coupler to attach to CAT 930G loader; 360 °; 32" poly/wire 9" sweeper core and Dual Hydraulic motors.

Councilman John DeLisle made a motion to solicit sealed bids for a 2015 or newer Hydraulic Sweeper with the Specification as outlined by Highway Sup't Harold Vance Jr. with a bid submission date of July 9, 2015 @ 12:00 Noon and with a bid opening date of July 9, 2015 @ 12:00 Noon. Councilwoman Patricia Bryant seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

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Highway Sup't Harold Vance Jr stated that he is also interested in soliciting sealed bids for a 2015 or newer 1 ton 4 x 4 Pickup w/8' Box. Highway Sup't Harold Vance Jr. stated that he is looking for the following specifications: 2015 or newer 1 Ton 4 x 4 Pickup with 8' Box— Red with Grey Interior

Service Manuals & wire diagrams; A/C, P/W with tinted glass; PS, ABS; spare tire & wheel; snow plow package (include trailer tow mirrors); mud flaps; backup alarm; 8 cylinder, automatic transmission; shift on fly; power points; cab steps; 12.5K trailer hitch; vinyl flooring; AM/FM/CD; split bench seat; upfitter switches; cruise control; snow plow prep (incl. 200 amp); trailer brake controller and Floor mats

Description: Furnish and install, 4 way Fisher HD 9' Plow (angle L/R, up/down). The unit shall be heavy duty unit with electric over hydraulic power unit; dash mounted joystick control. Quick attach plow frame, ½" x 6" bolt on steel cutting edge, mushroom style adjustable shoes, forward electrical harnesses w/protective caps. Standard plow light package w/sealed harness and switches for unit bid. The price shall also include related additional required items to the truck specification. Addition of this option shall in no way affect the factory warranty on vehicle offered.

Highway Sup't Harold Vance Jr stated that he does not feel the new pickup truck needs to be diesel which will lower the overall cost of the new pickup truck.

Councilman John DeLisle made a motion to solicit sealed bids for a 2015 or newer 1 ton 4 x 4 pickup; red with grey interior with the specifications outlined by Highway Sup't Harold Vance Jr. with a returnable date of July 9, 2015 by 12:00 Noon and a bid opening of July 9, 2015 @ 12:00 Noon. Councilman Paul Bolesh seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

4. Establish a date for July's Town Board Meeting. It was the consensus of the Town Board Members that July's Town Board Meeting will be July 14, 2015 @ 8:00 AM. Highway Sup't Harold Vance Jr will review the sealed bids the town opens on July 9<sup>th</sup> for a 2015 or newer 1 ton 4 x 4 pickup cab & chassis and a 2015 or newer hydraulic sweeper and make a recommendation to the Town Board at this time.

5. Town Attorney Douglas Ward stated that he has been working with the Building and Zoning Administrator and the Town Health Officer after discussions with New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and New York State Department of Health regarding a possible septic problem in the Bacon Hill Hamlet. Town Attorney Douglas Ward has prepared a letter from the Building and Zoning Administrator to the homeowners in Bacon Hill Hamlet, in question, making them aware of the problem and letting them know as part of the evaluation, the town must put dye into each septic system that is near to the drain pipe in order to determine if there is a possible leak. The letter states that at the end of the process, they will supply all homeowners with a report of the findings and proposed next steps.

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**APPOINTMENTS**

1. James Heber's term expires on the Planning Board September 30, 2015
2. William Peck's term expires on the Board of Assessment Review September 30, 2015
3. Zoning Board of Appeals/Planning Board: The Town Board interviewed two gentlemen who indicated that they wish to volunteer their time to serve on either the Zoning Board of Appeals or Planning Board. Supervisor Willard Peck stated that both individuals were outstanding. Supervisor Willard Peck made a motion to appoint Paul Becker and Todd Heym as Alternates to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Councilman John DeLisle seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**DESIGNATIONS**

1. Approval of Vouchers: Councilman Paul Bolesh introduced Resolution # 57 of 2015 –

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the following Vouchers to be paid as presented:

A (General Fund) Vouchers - # 179 - # 215 Total: \$ 18,603.94  
DA (Highway Fund) Vouchers - # 140 - # 159 Total: \$ 35,808.49  
SS (Gansevoort Sewer District) # 5 Total: \$ 38.52  
HA (Capital Project-Building) # 12 - # 17 Total: \$ 179,583.71

Councilwoman Patricia Bryant seconded the introduction of Resolution # 57 of 2015.

Supervisor Willard Peck – “Aye”  
Councilman Paul Bolesh – “Aye”  
Councilman John DeLisle – “Aye”  
Councilwoman Patricia Bryant – “Aye”      Resolution # 57 of 2015 Adopted

Councilman Paul Bolesh made a motion to adjourn the Regular Monthly Meeting @ 8:10 PM.  
Councilwoman Patricia Bryant seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Murphy  
Town Clerk

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