

**January 6, 2014 – WORK SESSION**

**The Work Session of the Town of Dickinson Town Board was called to order by Supervisor Michael A. Marinaccio at 5:32 PM on Monday, January 6, 2014 in the Town Hall, 531 Old Front St., Binghamton, NY.**

**The members of the Town Board present were:**

**Michael A. Marinaccio, Supervisor**

**Danny F. Morabito, Councilman**

**Thomas J. Burns, Councilman**

**Sharon M. Exley, Councilwoman**

**Stephen M. Gardner, Councilman**

**Also attending:**

**Oliver N. Blaise III, Esq., Town Attorney**

**Wanda R. Broczkowski, Town Clerk**

**ATTORNEY**

**BAN RESOLUTION FOR WATER TANK AND GLENWOOD ROAD PROJECT**

Attorney Blaise addressed the resolution passed at the December 9, 2013 meeting and referred to Beverly Wike about her communications with our bond attorney Bob Smith in New York City. He wanted to know the details of the anticipated public works projects before he would respond.

Beverly Wike will send a communication to Attorney Smith tomorrow. It should be noted the plans for the **Glenwood Road** water pipe repair have not been finalized. Most importantly, we have been in touch with Mr. Smith as of December and nothing has been borrowed for any projects. This most likely will be a year-end audit item with the **State Comptroller** on the water tank project for the reason that the repair and replacement occurred in 2013. Supervisor Marinaccio said we should be all right just that we need to work through the process.

**34 & 36 N. BROOME STREET RESIDENT SALE OF PROPERTY**

Attorney Blaise contacted the Foster's to confirm the Town has accepted their written offer of \$12,100 for both parcels. Assuming they go through with it, they would be responsible for the recording and closing fees on the property. Attorney Blaise will contact Mr. and Mrs. Foster to start the process.

**52 NORTH BROAD STREET DEED**

Attorney Blaise reported the property was pulled from the December auction and the County would officially deed the property to us sometime soon by **Broome County Real Property**.

## **EXTENSION OF PHELPS STREET**

Attorney Blaise happened to see Ms. Burke's attorney and requested a response from Ms. Burke by our regular meeting date of January 13<sup>th</sup> regarding the right-of-way to connect **Brandy Wine Heights** to **Rogers Mountain Way**. Once they communicate and come to a reasonable response, the Public Works Commissioner can schedule work on constructing the road.

## **20 LINDA DRIVE RIGHT-OF-WAY**

Public Works Commissioner Kie and Councilman Burns visited the proposed parcel regarding the **20 Linda Drive** request by owner Joshua Graupman to do away with the right-of-way for him to build a house on this parcel. His request will require further study.

## **BEST VALUE LOCAL LAW FOR COMPETITIVE BIDDING**

Attorney Blaise reported they need more time to investigate further and will report on it at the January 13<sup>th</sup> regular meeting.

## **17 MARKET STREET ACTIVITY**

Attorney Blaise commented that since the November domestic quarrel, things have settled down.

## **WASTE MANAGEMENT BOUGHT BY BURT ADAMS DISPOSAL**

Attorney Blaise referred to the recent buy out of **Waste Management** by **Bert Adams Disposal** in December of 2013. There should be no impact on or interruption to trash pick-up services to the residents in garbage district no. 1 and extensions 1 and 2. They must adhere to the existing terms of the contract. Mr. Adams contacted Supervisor Marinaccio to speak to him if there are ever any concerns or issues. He assured him they will provide quality service.

## **CHAIR**

## **BUDGET 2014 MODIFICATIONS TO COVER DEFICITS**

Supervisor Marinaccio went over some modifications that were required to be made to the 2014 budget. It will close out in March, within 90 days of the first of the year. A resolution will need to be passed at the January 13<sup>th</sup> regular meeting. The **2014 Budget** will be amended and it will be added to the minutes.

## **SUNY BROOME SMOKING BAN STATUS**

Supervisor Marinaccio said it was hear say, but they may put a smoking hut adjacent to the bus depot on the north side of the **SUNY Broome** campus.

## **ANTI-SMOKING AT THE SUNRISE TERRACE PARK**

The tobacco free signs that are already in use at the park in Port Dickinson are part of a County program according to Bob Aagre a Village trustee, who spoke to Supervisor Marinaccio about their policy and that we were considering adopting the same policy at the **Sunrise Terrace Community Association**. We will begin the process.

## **ORGANIZATIONAL RESOLUTION - CHANGES 2014**

Supervisor Marinaccio commented on the board to review it. He pointed out there would not be any changes to the Holiday Schedule. The deputy supervisor would be Councilwoman Exley during the absence of the Supervisor attending the 2014 Annual Association of Towns Meeting and Training in NYC. The new federal mileage standard rate is \$.56. Regarding the Planning and Zoning Boards, John Kolly would be reappointed to the Planning Board and a new appointment of the Zoning Board will be Lubomyr Zobniw. Dave Wasser will be the new Historian replacing Wanda Broczkowski.

### **Supervisor Marinaccio made the following committee appointments:**

Deputy Supervisor, Councilman Burns in the Supervisor's absence.  
Highway Committee, Councilman Burns Highway Committee,  
Zoning and Planning Board Committee, Councilman Gardner  
Finance Committee, Councilman Morabito  
Personnel Committee, Councilwoman Exley

Supervisor Marinaccio will review the document further to make sure it is accurate. The resolution to accept the **2014 Organizational resolution** changes will be approved at the January 13<sup>th</sup> regular meeting.

## **2014 NEWSLETTER**

Supervisor Marinaccio stated the Town newsletter will be issued the first of April. The Town Clerk will send a notice to the various departments to forward all articles to Councilman Morabito who is the chair. Articles will be due Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup>.

## **GOVERNOR'S PROPOSED FREEZE ON PROPERTY TAXES ANNOUNCEMENT**

Supervisor Marinaccio stated that Governor Andrew Cuomo announced a proposed freeze on property taxes. The **Association of Towns** responded and Assemblyman Clifford Crouch stated there was limited information available since they were not aware of his intentions to announce this. It was viewed more as a property tax rebate program by putting pressure on the municipalities. Consolidation is one of the key items. Tax collection and courts are something to be quantified, although we are not sure how they will be measured.

## **SUNY BROOME BUSINESS START-UP STATUS**

Supervisor Marinaccio has been in contact with President Drumm on their proposed start-up business program's compliance with the town laws. Most of the town is zoned as R-1 so the town would have some say in what goes unless it is on the **SUNY Broome** campus. He wrote to Dr. Drumm about Code Enforcement Rafferty's comments. He is aware and agrees the town should be represented when it is time to confirm what the business would be. Continue to communicate with them at SUNY Broome.

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

1. **Public Works Commissioner** Kie reported he issued Code Traffic tickets issued during the recent snow storm.
2. Supervisor Marinaccio received Email of residents being extremely happy with the Town road crew and their efforts are appreciated during the snow storms.
3. Engineer for the Town Ron Lake state there will continue to be water breaks at Glenwood Road on an emergency basis until we replace the water lines under the proposed **Water Project** come spring 2014. It was suggested we pre order materials in preparation for a prompt start-up.
4. Councilman Morabito stated with the recent construction he thought the **DOT** should be aware of the poor visibility along route 81 and they should painting lines on the highway before there is a serious accident.

## **CODE**

No code issues.

**PLANNING AND ZONING BOARDS**

Nothing new at this time.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

On motion by Supervisor Marinaccio, the work session was adjourned by motion of Councilman Morabito and seconded by Councilman Burns at 6:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Wanda R. Broczkowski  
Town Clerk