

May 4, 2015 – WORK SESSION

The Work Session of the Town of Dickinson Town Board was called to order by Supervisor Michael A. Marinaccio at 5:30 PM on Monday, May 4, 2015 in the Town Hall, 531 Old Front St., Binghamton, NY.

The members of the Town Board present were:

**Michael A. Marinaccio, Supervisor
Stephen M. Gardner, Councilman
Sharon M. Exley, Councilwoman
Danny F. Morabito, Councilman
Thomas J. Burns, Councilman**

Also attending:

**Oliver N. Blaise III, Esq., Town Attorney
Susan M. Cerretani, Deputy Town Clerk**

Supervisor Marinaccio opened the meeting with public comments from a guest who resides at 305 Lower Stella Ireland Rd. The gentleman voiced a complaint about water running down the hill from his neighbor's property. He was advised to contact an attorney as the issue is a private civil matter.

ATTORNEY

Attorney Blaise reported as follows:

DEED FOR PHELPS STREET EXTENSION

Attorney Blaise reported that he has received the documents from Mrs. Burke's attorney which Supervisor Marinaccio will sign and will be filed with the County Clerk's Office.

MARION STREET PARCEL TRANSFER

Attorney Blaise stated that he is waiting for confirmation on the status of the Marion Street property transferred to the Katushas. Mr. Blaise hopes to confirm by next week.

TOWN BOUNDARY ANNEXATION OF 932 UPPER FRONT STREET TO TOWN OF CHENANGO

Attorney Blaise reported that he is working with Broome County on the final preparation of the new town boundary maps, which is the final step regarding the annexation with the **Town of Chenango**. The County has questions regarding the survey that the Schlesigers had done. He is working through those issues with them.

AGREEMENT REGARDING DPW CONSOLIDATION WITH VILLAGE

Attorney Blaise has received comments from our Department of Public Works Commissioner Joel Kie about changes that Mr. Kie would like made to the draft Agreement. Mr. Blaise felt Mr. Kie's suggestions were reasonable to put in place. Mr. Blaise hasn't heard anything back from the Village about the Agreement. Supervisor Marinaccio wants to know when the Town and Village officials should meet for further discussions as groups. Mr. Blaise said the sooner the better. Attorney Blaise stated that we need input from Town and Village officials to finalize the contract. A lengthy discussion followed. It was decided that a meeting will be set up in the near future to include Joel Kie, Danny Morabito, Mike Marinaccio and Oliver Blaise to review and address specifics of the consolidation contract.

GARBAGE DISTRICT BID RENEWAL 2016-2017

Garbage district bid renewal is coming up. Attorney Blaise stated that we usually put the contract out for bid officially sometime in August. We usually open up bids in September and award the contract in October. It is a 2 year contract. The question was posed – would it be possible to increase the contract to 3 years? It is something to consider. Bert Adams currently has the contract, which was assumed when he took over Waste Management.

CHAIR

PORT DICKINSON CONSOLIDATION MEETING UPDATES

The Mayor of Port Dickinson and Supervisor Marinaccio met with the County to discuss what possible savings could occur with the consolidation of the Public Works Department. Mr. Marinaccio stated that there is no immediate savings. Down the road there will be some savings but there also will be added costs. Councilman Morabito stated that there will be added benefits. Supervisor Marinaccio stated there would be added efficiencies for the Village that the County could present to the State.

LOCAL POLICE SUPPORT RALLY

Supervisor Marinaccio hopes everyone can attend the local police support rally. It will be held on Saturday May 9th. Everyone will meet Saturday at 11 am in front of Sears, inside the Oakdale Mall.

ASSOCIATION OF TOWNS AND VILLAGES (AOTV)

Supervisor Marinaccio informed us the next AOTV meeting date was changed from May 28th to June 4th, location to be determined probably at The Spot Restaurant. Greg Birla will be the guest speaker.

FILED CASE WORK FORM

The filed case work form is paperwork that Supervisor Marinaccio filed out for Congressman Hanna to get some help in paying for the Phelps street project. Assemblyman Crouch wrote a letter to Commissioner Joan MacDonald asking assistance for additional funding for the project in his District. Joel Kie has received phone calls from the Department of Transportation and Senator Schumer's office has contacted Mr. Marinaccio to get additional information on the project. Mr. Marinaccio said there are a lot of people working on it.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER is May 7th, 12 Noon on the Broome County Courthouse steps.

COLOR RUN

Supervisor Marinaccio said there were no complaints. David Wasser mentioned a potential problem with the parking situation. There was situation involving an ambulance and fire company having difficulty getting to a house when they had trouble maneuvering from Jameson Road on to Hickory Road. Supervisor Marinaccio said he was glad Mr. Wasser brought it up because there will be a follow up meeting.

Traffic control on Front Street was done beautifully. The attendance was great - 5,500 people participating along with another 1,000 or so attending. Mr. Marinaccio thought that everything went really well.

DOT I86 MEETING

Public Works Commissioner Joel Kie and Supervisor Marinaccio have an update meeting on Friday with the Department Of Transportation on the I86 project.

TOWN CLERK SWEARING IN CEREMONY

Sue Cerretani and Wanda Broczkowski will be sworn in Friday at 2PM for their new positions if anyone would like to attend.

SALES TAX FIGURES

Mr. Marinaccio said he learned a lesson regarding our sales tax figures. He noticed that the Towns of Maine, Conklin, and Kirkwood, who have similar populations to ours, have more money than us. He learned the reason is our population includes the population of Port Dick. We have 3,500 people in the Town and 2,000 people in the Village. The Village of Port Dickinson is figured separately.

PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. Kie stated that the Highway Department started work on the water problem on Belair. They are replacing metal corrugated pipe that rotted out and replacing storm. Commissioner Kie stated that the Highway Department is behind on yard waste. There is a lot of yard waste after the weekend. Mr. Kie said that they should finish up tomorrow.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

At the next meeting the Town Board will authorize Jason Delanoy's appointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

The property at 210 Bevier St. is a mess. The owner has a court appearance date scheduled for June 2nd for code violations.

Motion to adjourn by Councilman Morabito and seconded by Councilman Burns at 6:09 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan M. Cerretani
Deputy Town Clerk