

Bovina Town Board
Regular Monthly Meeting
April 14, 2009

RESOLUTIONS: 2009 – 60 – 72

Board Members Present: Tina Molé, Supervisor; Charles McIntosh, Kenneth Brown, Councilmen; Evelyn Stewart, Councilwoman; Catherine Hewitt, Town Clerk; Robert Burgin, Highway Superintendent.

Board Member Absent: Mary Joan Robson

Others Present: Mark Rossley, Jack/Joan Nau, Carrie Hewitt, Brian McIntosh, Ed Weber, Peg Ellsworth, Patti Cullen

The meeting was opened at 6:00 PM by Supervisor Molé followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Molé introduced Peg Ellsworth from the M-ARK Project in Margaretville. Ellsworth told the Board that the donation made by a Bovina resident directly to the M-ARK Project has been matched by the O'Connor Foundation. The money has been ear-marked for a Bovina project. Ellsworth and a staff member have met with Tim Bray and the Historical Society regarding Russell's Store. She gives a lot of credit to Bray for keeping the store open as long as he did. The Historical Society has a new tenant interested in running the store. M-ARK will work with the new tenant. They would like to bring in an Architect who specializes in Historical Preservation to see what needs to be done long term to the building. With a plan in place, it enables Ellsworth and M-ARK to look into further funding. Ellsworth asked to use the Community Hall on Saturday, June 6th at 11:00 AM for a public meeting. The next step would be to bring the Architect in and work with Bray Engineering on the building. If the community sees fit, the M-ARK Project would then talk about an advertising plan. Supervisor Molé asked if the new tenant has been identified. Ellsworth said the Historical Society is still in the talking stage with the new tenant. Joan Nau thinks this is a wonderful thing for the store. Ellsworth says there is currently a lot of unused space in the store which could be utilized and she would like to see that happen. Moving forward, she will be putting the public meeting together for June 6th.

Community Concerns: Ed Weber asked if any change had been made to the highway garage. Molé said that as far as the change in the rafters no, it would be an additional cost of about \$8000. Highway Superintendent Burgin has talked to Bob Howard, the Delhi Highway Superintendent. The Delhi building has 16' ceilings and they are working out. Weber's other concern is truck lifts. They can't be put in with 16' ceilings. Councilman McIntosh said that once the radiant heat pipes are put in and the concrete floor is poured, holes can't be drilled to put in something like a truck lift. Weber asked if the whole floor is concrete. Burgin said that Code Enforcement says the floor has to be concrete. Weber asked if the back couldn't be crusher run or asphalt. McIntosh said that the heat can't be put into crusher run. Weber said there had been discussion previously about radiant heat. Burgin has talked with a number of highway superintendents who have told him that radiant heat is the way to go. Councilman Brown said that the architect strongly urged going with radiant heat. Weber does feel that this new building is going to be there a long time and the extra money should be spent now to make it usable into the future.

2009-60 The minutes of the March 10, 2009 meeting were accepted as amended. Moved by Brown, seconded by McIntosh. All in favor, 4 ayes, 0 nay's.

2009-61 The minutes of the March 16, 2009 Special Meeting were accepted as amended. Moved by Stewart, seconded by Brown. All in favor, 4 ayes, 0 nay's.

2009-62 The GENERAL bills (49-65) were audited prior to the meeting and approval for payment was moved by Stewart, seconded by McIntosh. All in favor, 4 ayes. 0 nay's.

2009-63 The SEPTIC bills (7-10) were audited prior to the meeting and approval for payment was moved by Brown, seconded by Stewart. All in favor, 4 ayes, 0 nay's.

2009-64 The STREET LIGHT bills (3-4) were audited prior to the meeting and approval for payment was moved by McIntosh, seconded by Brown. All in favor, 4 ayes, 0 nay's.

2009-65 The WATER bills (12-16) were audited prior to the meeting and approval for payment was moved by Stewart, seconded by McIntosh. All in favor, 4 ayes, 0 nay's.

2009-66 The HIGHWAY bills (31-49) were audited prior to the meeting and approval for payment was made by McIntosh, seconded by Stewart. All in favor, 4 ayes, 0 nay's. Voucher # 45 was amended to remove tax charged by Country Club Chevrolet.

2009-67 Award of the Town Lawn Mowing bids. The Town Lawns were awarded to Sean Trimbell at a cost of \$2,500.00 for the season. The Septic Field maintenance was awarded to Edward T. Rossley at a cost of \$1,200.00 for the season. It was moved by Brown, seconded by McIntosh to accept the two bids, All in favor, 4 ayes, 0 nay's.

2009-68 Highway Materials Bids were opened at Noon on April 14, 2009. Highway Superintendent Burgin, Councilman McIntosh and Town Clerk Hewitt reviewed the bids. Town Clerk prepared the document for Board members to review. It was moved by McIntosh, seconded by Stewart to accept the Highway Materials Bids as presented. All in favor, 4 ayes, 0 nay's.

2009-69 SUNY Delhi has sent the contract for summer swim lessons for the children of Bovina. Molé said that Bovina has participated the last few years with a cost to the Town of Bovina of \$45.00 per child for one three week session. It was moved by Stewart, seconded by Brown to accept the SUNY Delhi contract for swim lessons. All in favor, 4 ayes, 0 nay's.

Supervisor Molé told the Board that the Town is going ahead with the bid letting for the Highway Garage on May 6, 2009. It will be \$25.00 per bid package and bids will be opened on May 26, 2009.

2009-70 Molé told the Board that she would like to schedule a Special Meeting/Public Hearing for Wednesday, April 29, 2009 at 5:30 PM at the Community Hall. The Public Hearing will be for the adoption of three local laws, a Local Law Governing Road Dedications for Subdivisions, Town of Bovina Professional Fees Reimbursement Law and Town of Bovina Communication Tower and Facilities Law. It was moved by Brown, second by McIntosh to set the Public Hearing for April 29, 2009. All in favor, 4 ayes, 0 nay's.

2009-71 Motion to declare the Town Board lead agency on these local laws and to do an uncoordinated review under SEQRA was moved by Brown, seconded by McIntosh. All in favor, 4 ayes, 0 nay's.

2009-72 Motion to refer laws for General Municipal Law 239m review to the County Planning Department who will meet on Wednesday, May 6, 2009, was moved by Stewart, seconded by McIntosh. All in favor, 4 ayes, 0 nay's.

Supervisor Molé said that since the New York State Budget has been passed the funds for the member item grants will be released in the next 90 days.

Supervisor Molé has gotten a \$5,000 grant for the highway garage. She said it could be put toward the building costs or perhaps office equipment.

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Stewart said that the committee met and it was a pretty quiet month. The bills were down this month. Councilman McIntosh agreed with Stewart.

PARKS & RECREATION

Councilman Brown said that with the grant money being freed up, he thinks there's a \$15,000 balance on the School House grant and about \$5,000 from the Community Hall grant. When Councilwoman Robson is back, they will pursue bids on the basement floor in the Community Hall. Brown thinks that the floor might be able to be redone with the remainder of the grant money.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Councilwoman Stewart asked Burgin if the roads that he posted this spring would come off soon. Burgin said that it would be done very soon. Burgin said that he and the crew have been patching pot holes, and sweeping the roads, they've started working the roads where they can, they are working on soft spots in the roads from the spring thaw, the crew attended the mine safety class, Burgin and Deputy Superintendent Robson attended the stream erosion class in Walton. Councilman McIntosh asked about the bridge replacement on Lee Hollow Road. Burgin said that it's all ready to go. He's spoken with LaFever and they will start in June, weather permitting. The road is expected to be closed for two or three weeks so it will not be started until school is out.

Councilman McIntosh said that with Peg Ellsworth working with the Historical Society and the Town it will be good for the Town. Ellsworth is great at getting grants and funding.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Catherine Hewitt
Town Clerk