

Unapproved June minutes:

REGULAR MEETING

TOWN HALL 46 COUNTY ROUTE 11

June 8, 2005

8:00 PM

WEST MONROE, NY 13167

Present: Supervisor Ernest Manchin, Councilors Timothy McCarthy, Michael Hickey and Ned Green

Town Clerk Christine Shaw, Deputy Clerk Louise Herbert

Elwin Fisher, Superintendent of Highways

Legislator Arthur Gearsbeck

6 people in the audience

Absent: Gary Ross

The meeting was opened at 8:00 P.M. with those present pledging to the flag. Mr. Hickey then moved to approve the minutes of the special meetings of 5/23 & 5/25. Mr. Green seconded the motion with the vote of the board being: Mr. Green-yes, Mr. Hickey-yes, Mr. McCarthy-abstained and Mr. Manchin-yes. Mr. Hickey moved to approve the minutes of the May regular meeting held May 11th, Mr. McCarthy seconded the motion with unanimous approval of the board members present.

Mark DeCuffa, owner and operator of Two Guys from Italy located on State Route 49, explained to the Town Board that he is interested in purchasing the property that the restaurant is located. A variance was submitted to the CEO and fee paid to the town clerk, as the parcel which Mr. Hildreth would like to sell Mr. & Mrs. DeCuffa has only 150' on State Route 49. Mr. DeCuffa explained that the parcel would consist of 2.5 acres and holds the restaurant building, well and septic. The Code Enforcement Officer noted on the variance application that the existing lot has enough road frontages so as to create 2 lots with at least 200' frontage. The board asked Mr. Hildreth why he did not want to divide the property with more road frontage for the restaurant. Mr. Hildreth responded that he feels he needs the road frontage for the remaining lot. After some discussion, Mr. Manchin moved to hold a public hearing at 7:30 on July 13th, 2005. Mr. Hickey seconded the motion with unanimous approval of the board to hold the public hearing. Mr. DeCuffa asked the board what time frame he was looking at and what he could do to insure that this be handled as soon as possible. Mr. DeCuffa also explained that he wants to make improvements to the building but until he owns the building he would not be able to. Mr. Hickey assured Mr. DeCuffa that the board would act as quickly as possible.

The Code Enforcement Officer reported that Deer Run Mobile Home Park, Co Rt. 37, is in compliance and therefore Mr. Hickey moved to issue the 2005 Mobile Home Park Permit for the park. Mr. Green seconded the motion with unanimous board approval.

Mr. Manchin reported that the assessor has given him the numbers in reference to the Veteran Exemption and they will be working to determine the impact increasing the exemption would have on the town. The information will be available prior to the July meeting.

The Code Enforcement Officer reported that she completed the inspection and Central City Auto was in compliance and requested permission to issue the 2005-06 Junk Yard Permit. Mr. Green moved to issue that Junk Yard Permit to Central City Auto based on the Code Enforcement Officers report, Mr. Hickey seconded the motion with unanimous approval of the board.

Mr. Manchin then moved to transfer the monies budgeted for a clerk for the Code Enforcement Officer into the Code Enforcement Officers salary and she would do her own paperwork, as she does not have the time to teach someone to do the paperwork. Mr. Green seconded the motion. Christine Shaw, Lower Rd, commented that perhaps the code enforcement officer has enough work during the summer months for her to work 20 hours per week (which the board requires) but during the winter months (off season for construction) she definitely does not have the work load. Mrs. Swistak stated that even though she may not be at the town hall in the office, does not mean she is not working on town business. Mrs. Shaw stated that she worked for Phoenix last winter; she could not have been working on Town of West Monroe business. Mr. Manchin said that the board was not talking about the national debt, the amount is only \$2,800 added to her present salary of \$16,800 for a total of \$19,600 salary for a 20 hour week. Mr. Ross LaCombe, Monroe Blvd. commented that a clerk would be "a back up" for the office, as the town clerk and assessor have and that would be more beneficial for the town residents. The vote of the board was: Mr. Green-yes, Mr. Hickey-yes, Mr. McCarthy-no, Mr. Manchin-yes, motion carried.

The board then addressed the request from the dog control officer to change the law so that the town could add an additional \$5.00 for dogs identified as unlicensed during a dog enumeration as per Dept of Ag. & Markets 11/02. Mr. Manchin stated that Mrs. Ashley felt that this would off set the cost of the enumeration. Christine Shaw, town clerk, questioned how she would know to charge the additional \$5.00 on which license. After some discussion, Mr. McCarthy suggested that the

board not change the law and the members present were in agreement.

The board received the Summer Recreation Calendar for 2005

#### REPORTS FROM MAY

Town Clerk's monthly report with a check in the amount of \$1,469.79

Supervisor's financial report

Superintendent of Highways

Code Enforcement Officers report

NYS Justice Court Quarterly Statement

Planning Board Minutes from April 27th, 2005

Mr. Green moved to pay the bills as audited:

General Fund, abstract #6, vouchers #146 to #167 the amount of \$6,164.29

Highway Fund, abstract #6, voucher #178 to #203 in the amount of \$21,067.50

Big Bay Sewer Fund, abstract #6, voucher #59 to #62 in the amount of \$2,879.19

Fire Fund #1, abstract #1, voucher #1 in the amount of \$16,632.50

Fire Fund #2, abstract #1, voucher #1 in the amount of \$6,316.00

Big Bay Water Fund, abstract #2 vouchers #2 in the amount of \$530.64

West Side Water Abstract #2, voucher #2 in the amount of \$3,398.85

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Thank You from Gladys Purdy for the work on the cemetery on County Route 84

NYS Board of Real Property Services Tentative Equalization Rate for West Monroe of 4.10%

Mining Permit Renewal for the Town of West Monroe use at Trach Pit on Co. Rt. 23

Mining Permit Renewal of Hildreth-Bisbo Gravel Pit on Co. Rt. 26

The assessor's disclosure statement, as required by law, which was submitted to the Town Clerk on May 16, 2005

Copy of the Opposition to Petition for Special Relief re: Petition of Time Warner

Misc. Newsletters and publications.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 P.M.