

4/21/04 Town Board Meeting

A regular meeting of the Elma Town Board was held on Wednesday, April 21, 2004, at 8:00 PM at the Elma Town Hall, 1910 Bowen Road, Elma, New York, with the following members present:

Supervisor Michael Nolan
Councilman Bill Cirocco
Councilwoman Susan Glownia
Councilman Dennis Powers
Councilman Dean Puleo

Also: Town Attorney Robert Pierce
Building Inspector Joseph Colern
Highway Superintendent Donald Larson
Water Superintendent Eugene Stevenson
Town Engineer James Wzykiewicz

Approximately 47 people attended the meeting.

The meeting was opened with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilwoman Glownia made the motion and Councilman Powers seconded the motion to approve the minutes from April 7, 2004.

Ayes- 5. Noes- 0. Carried.

Department Reports

Water Superintendent Eugene Stevenson reported the water has been turned on at the Elma Village Green and the Creek Road Park. Water has been turned on by the Flagpole at the Town Hall. The septic system work has begun at the New Town Hall and should be complete in approximately 10 days. The Water Dept is also working on finishing water taps.

Building Inspector Joseph Colern reported heG!+s working on keeping up with building permits and outstanding zoning issues.

Town Attorney Robert Pierce reported heG!+s reviewing contracts given to him by Supervisor Nolan to include the contract with the Auditors.

Highway Superintendent Donald Larson reported, weather permitting, Ostrander Rd will be closed between Jamison Rd and West Blood on Tuesday, April 27 and Wednesday, April 28 for the installation of a culvert pipe. Vicki Defoe called about siding that has blown off the Senior Center and needs to be replaced. The Salt Storage Shed is progressing well.

Town Engineer Jim Wyzykiewicz reported he is waiting to hear from the State DOT on what direction they plan to take with the South Blossom Drainage Ditch Project.

Supervisor Nolan made the motion and Councilman Powers seconded the motion to accept the letter of retirement from Donald Larson from the Office of Highway Superintendent, Park Superintendent and Refuse Superintendent with the deepest regrets. Mr. Larson's last day of employment will be April 29, 2004. A round of applause went out to Mr. Larson for his 25 years of service as Highway Superintendent. The appointment of Mr. Larson's replacement will be addressed at the next Town Board meeting. Ayes-5. Noes-0. Carried.

Councilman Powers made the motion and Councilman Puleo seconded the motion to accept the lowest bid of \$12,976.60 from Professional Furnishings and Equipment Inc for citation chairs (auditorium seating) for the courtroom in the New Town Hall. The bids were as follows:

1. Maffei Strayer Furnishings \$15,900.00
2. The Essay Company \$13,889.00
3. E&B Equipment and Furniture Inc \$13,236.00
4. Professional Furnishings \$12,976.60

& Equipment Inc.

Ayes-4. Noes-1. Carried. (Councilwoman Glownia voted no.)

Councilman Puleo made the motion and Councilwoman Glownia seconded the motion to issue a Preliminary Business Use Permit for Kustom Workz at 3211 Transit Road to Michael Penfold, with a negative declaration on a short form SEQR on the recommendation from the Planning Board. Building Inspector notes no outside storage of abandoned vehicles, all car audio equipment to be tested indoors as not to create a nuisance, a permit for any advertising signs and a fire inspection within 30 days after occupancy. A Special Use Permit will be required for any events. The Planning Board is working on the parking issues with Bill Adams, owner of the property at 3211 Transit Rd.

Ayes-5. Noes-0. Carried.

Councilman Powers made the motion and Councilwoman Glownia seconded the motion to appoint Nancy Battistoni to the Zoning Board of Appeals to fill the vacancy of Richard Murzynski. Ayes-2. Noes-3. Motion not carried. (Councilman Cirocco, Councilman Puleo and Supervisor Nolan voted no.)

Councilman Puleo made the motion and Councilman Cirocco seconded the motion to appoint Anthony Lotempio to the Zoning Board of Appeals to fill the vacancy of Richard Murzynski. Ayes-3. Noes-2. Carried. (Councilwoman Glownia and Councilman Powers voted no.)

Councilwoman Glownia made the motion and Councilman Powers seconded the motion to appoint Sal Valvo to the Assessment Board of Review. Ayes-2. Noes-3. Motion not carried. (Councilman Cirocco, Councilman Puleo and Supervisor Nolan voted no.)

Councilman Puleo made the motion and Councilman Cirocco seconded the motion to appoint Michael Komorek to the Assessment Board of Review. Ayes-3. Noes-2. Carried. (Councilwoman Glownia and Councilman Powers voted no.)

Councilman Puleo made the motion and Councilwoman Glownia seconded the motion to approve the summer hours of the Town Hall as 8:00AM to 4:00PM Memorial Day to Labor Day. Ayes-5. Noes-0. Carried.

Councilman Powers made the motion and Councilwoman Glownia seconded the motion to approve Warrant #4 as follows: #336 to #476

General Fund \$63,766.59 Water Districts \$89,654.33

Highway Fund \$62,125.80 Special Districts \$5,405.32

Capital Projects \$265,269.86

Ayes-5. Noes-0. Carried.

Councilman Cirocco made the motion and Councilwoman Glownia seconded the motion to approve the Resolution to Extend the Tax Deadline for Active Military or their spouses for ninety days as follows:

Ayes-5. Noes-0. Carried.

Supervisor Nolan updated the public on Frank Kester, Receiver of Taxes, stating Frank is home and doing well after a severe case of pneumonia and a surgery to one lung to

remove fluid.

All have received the Planning and Zoning Board Agenda and Minutes.

Correspondence was received from Erie County's Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off Day May 8, 2004 at ECC North Campus from 9:00AM to 2:00PM and Electronics Recycling Day Drop-off May 15, 2004 9:00AM to 2:00PM also at ECC North Campus.

Supervisor Nolan announced the next Work Session will be Tuesday, April 27, 2004 at 6:00PM.

Supervisor Nolan presented the privilege to the floor:

Chief Benson (came late because his father is very ill) thanked Councilman Cirocco for contacting him for information on all reported accidents at all traffic lights in the Town of Elma. The information is being complied by the EC Sheriff's Dept. The matter of mischief with a Rice Road resident has been taken care of. Anyone needing to contact Chief Benson may do so at 858-7541.

Deborah Skulski inquired about the appointment to the Assessment Board of Review and the number of applications received.

Norm Verbanic commented on the use of Robert's Rules of Order at the meeting.

Gary Haas commented on the garbage left by approximately 30 residents at the Transfer Station gates on Good Friday.

Supervisor Nolan has contacted the Wyoming County Correctional Facility to have inmates help out at the Transfer Station. New signs have been ordered for the Transfer Station.

Trudy Weber commented on the white stickers for the Transfer Station.

Don Przybyl commented how well the current Board properly conducts the Town Board Meetings.

Norman Kingsley, President and Director of the St. Gabriel's Seniors Club, is requesting the use of the Elma Senior Center the 2nd Monday of each month for their meetings. Due to the renovations being done on St. Gabriel's Church the Senior Club needs a new place to meet. This matter will be discussed at the next Work Session.

A reminder that Northrup Rd is now closed until completion of the bridge work. Detour signs have been posted.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50PM. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer M. Ginter
Deputy Town Clerk