

January Town Board Meeting
2013

The organizational meeting was called to order by Town Supervisor William Farber on January 8, 2013 @ 7:01 ^{pm}.

Members present:, Dan Virgil, Brian Taylor, Carol Garvin, Cynthia Valik, Council members; Hugh Farber, Highway Superintendent; Amanda Seeley, Town Clerk; William Farber, Town Supervisor.

Hugh: All the trails are opened & have been dragged. The piston went on the "06". The parts are in & it should be fixed tomorrow.

Cindy Valik made a motion to accept the officer's reports. Brian Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carries

Ayes: D. Virgil, B. Taylor, W. Farber, C. Garvin, C. Valik

Nays: None

Dan Virgil made a motion to accept the minutes as printed for the annual meeting of December 27, 2012. Carol Garvin seconded the motion. Motion carries

Ayes: D. Virgil, B. Taylor, Farber, C. Garvin, C. Valik

Nays: None

Brian Taylor made a motion to pay the:

General Fund bills on abstract # 1, Voucher #'s 1-15 in the amount of \$ 7,877.39

Highway bills on abstract # 1, Voucher #1 - 6 in the amount of \$8,051.20

Dan Virgil seconded the motion. Motion carries

Ayes: D. Virgil, B. Taylor, Farber, C. Garvin, C. Valik

Nays: None

Brian Taylor made a motion to accept the following Appointments.

Deputy Supervisor: Brian Taylor

Attorney: William P. Schmitt

Registrar of Vital Statistics: Amanda Seeley

Deputy Town Clerk & Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics: Jo Ann Bertella

Historian: Carol Ford

Deputy Highway Superintendent: Richard Garvin

Zoning & Codes Enforcement Officer: David VanArsdale

Animal Control Officer: Cynthia Valik

Cemeteries: James Luck

Building Maintenance: Kelly Tichenor & Stephanie Tichenor

Health Officer: Michael DeJesus, MD

Carol Garvin seconded the motion. Motion carries

Ayes: D. Virgil, B. Taylor, W. Farber, C. Garvin, C. Valik

Nays: None

Dan Virgil made a motion to hold the regular board meetings on the second Tuesday of each month. Next meeting will be February 12, 2013 at 7:00p.m. Carol Garvin seconded the motion. Motion carries

Ayes: D. Virgil, W. Farber, B. Taylor, C. Garvin, C. Valik

Nays: None

Cindy Valik made a motion that the official newspaper be the Hamilton County Express. Brian Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carries

Ayes: D. Virgil, W. Farber, B. Taylor, C. Garvin, C. Valik

Nays: None

Brian Taylor made a motion to have the Supervisor William Farber pay the salaries set forth in the 2013 budget BTI applicators and groomers to: \$12.80 labors; \$11.00 first year applicators and 11.80 returning applicators per hour and set the temporary snowmobile groomers at \$12.80 per hour. Dan Virgil seconded the motion. Motion carries

Ayes: D. Virgil, W. Farber, B. Taylor, C. Garvin, C. Valik

Nays: None

The following committees were appointed by the Supervisor William Farber, with the first name being the chairman of the committee:

Street lights & Cemeteries: Cindy Valik and Carol Garvin

Re-evaluation & Assessment: Dan Virgil & Cindy Valik

Insurance: Brian Taylor & Carol Garvin

Building & Highway, Repeater Tower: Brian Taylor & Dan Virgil

Solid Waste: Dan Virgil & Carol Garvin

Tourism & Promotion & Economic Development: Cindy Valik & Carol Garvin

Recreation Center & Recreation Center Projects: Brian Taylor & Cindy Valik

Snowmobile: Brian Taylor & Dan Virgil

Carol Garvin made a motion for the following depositories:

Town Supervisor: NBT & M&T

Town Clerk/Tax Collector: NBT

Town Justice: NBT

Cindy Valik seconded the motion. Motion carries

Ayes: D. Virgil, W. Farber, B. Taylor, C. Garvin, C. Valik

Nays: None

Cindy Valik made a motion re-appoint William Farber 1-1-13 to 12-31-2017 to Youth Committee:

Stephanie Tichenor: 12-31-2013
Sonya DeVuyst: 12-31-2014
Carol Ford: 12-31-2015
Cynthia Valik: 12-31-2016
William Farber: 12-31-2017

Carol Garvin seconded the motion. Motion carries

Ayes: D. Virgil, W. Farber, B. Taylor, C. Garvin, C. Valik

Nays: None

Brian Taylor made a motion to re-appoint David Valik 1-1-13 to 12-31-2017 o the Zoning Board of Appeals from

John Darling: 12-31-2013
Shirley Taylor: 12-31-2014
Kurt Zysk: 12-31-2015
Raymond Darvoe: 12-31-2016
David Valik: 12-31-2017

Dan Virgil seconded the motion. Motion carries

Ayes: D. Virgil, W. Farber, B. Taylor, C. Garvin

Abstained: C. Valik

Nays: None

Cindy Valik made a motion to approve the investment policy. Brian Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried (see attached copy of investment policy)

Ayes: D. Virgil, W. Farber, B. Taylor, C. Garvin, C. Valik

Nays: None

Planning board appointment tables until February Meeting

Brian Taylor made a motion to authorize any town official to attend the conference and the town will pay the expenses. Carol Garvin seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Ayes: D. Virgil, W. Farber, B. Taylor, C. Garvin, C. Valik

Nays: None

Carol Garvin made a motion to have William Farber the voting delegate for the Town of Morehouse at the Association of Towns meeting February 17-22 2013.

Brian Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carries

Ayes: D. Virgil, W. Farber, B. Taylor, C. Garvin, C. Valik

Nays: None

Cindy Valik made the motion to pass the resolution for the Blanket Insurance each year at the organizational meeting. Dan Virgil second the motion carries (*resolution attached*)

Ayes: D. Virgil, W. Farber, B. Taylor, C. Garvin, C. Valik

Nays: None

Brian Taylor made the motion to increase the travel allowance from \$0.555 to \$.565 per mile as set by the IRS to take effect 1-1-13. Carol Garvin seconded the motion. Motion carries

Ayes: D. Virgil, W. Farber, B. Taylor, C. Garvin, C. Valik

Nays: None

Brian Taylor made a motion to enter into the 2013 contract with the Adirondack Speculator Region Chamber of Commerce for \$1,500.00 for promotion of the Town of Morehouse. Dan Virgil seconded the motion. Motion carries

Ayes: D. Virgil, W. Farber, B. Taylor, C. Garvin, C. Valik

Nays: None

Reminder Meetings:

- Local Government Days April 24 & 25 2013 @ the Crown Plaza in Lake Placid
- Adirondack Day April 29, 2013

The Town Board will audit the officer's books at the Feb. meeting council members need to come at 6pm to do the audit.

Website: Carol Garvin stated the website should be up by the end of the week, the website will be:

www.townofmorehousesny.com

Youth Group: Cindy was asked if it would be possible to do ski passes like last year for the youth only... Youth must prove they are under twenty-five (25) years old & full time student. Parents would be responsible to pay their own way, unless it's an organized youth group ski trip where chaperones are needed. The board was in agreement.... They youth group would like to plan bowling sometime this winter & go see the Globetrotters

Cindy Valik made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Brian Taylor seconded the motion.

Motion carries

Ayes: D. Virgil, W. Farber, B. Taylor, C. Garvin, C. Valik

Nays: None

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda Seeley
Town Clerk

INVESTMENT POLICIES AND GUIDELINES
OF THE
TOWN OF MOREHOUSE

The objectives of the investment policies of the Town of Morehouse are to minimize risk, and to insure a competitive rate of return. In accordance with this policy, the Town Supervisor is hereby authorized to invest all funds including proceeds of obligations and reserve funds in:

1. Certificates of Deposit issued by a bank or trust company authorized to do business in New York State
2. Time Deposit Accounts in a bank or trust company authorized to do business in New York State
3. The Town Board shall decide the names of the bank annually

All other local government officials receiving money in their official capacity must deposit such funds in negotiable order of withdrawal accounts.

All investments made pursuant to this investment policy shall comply with the following conditions:

1. FINANCIAL STRENGTHS OF INSTITUTION: All trading partners must be credit worthy. Concentration of investments in financial institutions will be a consideration. The general rule is not to place more than \$400,000.00 with any one institution; however sufficient collateral can be a mitigating factor.
2. COLLATERAL – CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSITS: Shall be fully secured by insurance of FDIC or by obligations of New York State or obligations of the United States or obligations of Federal Agencies the principal and interest of which are guaranteed by the United States, or obligations of New York State local bank with which the Town of Morehouse has entered into a Custodial Agreement. The market value of collateral shall at all times be equal to the principal amount of the certificate of deposit.
3. OPERATIONS, AUDIT, AND REPORTING: The Town of Morehouse will encourage certificates of deposits through a competitive or negotiated process involving telephone solicitation of at least two (2) bids for each transaction, when possible & appropriate

The Town Supervisor shall be authorizes to use the United States Post Office for delivery of deposits to and from banks when reasonable trips are not required.

At least annually, and if practical, at organizational meetings of the Town Board, the members shall review and amend, if necessary, these Investment Guidelines.

Resolution to Authorize Blanket Undertakings for all Town of Morehouse Officers and Employees

By: Cynthia Valik

WHEREAS, the Town has the option of providing a blanket undertaking insurance as opposed to individual undertakings for its elected officials, officers, clerks and employees, and

WHEREAS, the Town has chosen in the past to provide blanket undertaking insurance for their officers, clerks, and employees, and

WHEREAS, NYS Public Officers Law 11 provides that municipal corporation or district corporation may procure a blanket undertaking from any duly authorized corporate surety covering officers, clerks, and employees,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town of Morehouse is hereby authorized to provide undertakings for their officers, clerks, and employees through a blanket undertaking, and be it further,

RESOLVED, that said authorization shall include, but not be limited to the Town: Supervisor, Deputy Supervisor, Clerk, Deputy Clerk, Justice, Tax Collector, Highway Superintendent, and Deputy Highway Superintendent, and be it also,

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be filed with Hamilton County Clerk and Morehouse Town Clerk,

Seconded by: Daniel Virgil

and adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: D. Virgil, W. Farber, B. Taylor, C. Garvin, C. Valik

Nays: None

Dated: January 8, 2013

State of New York }
County of Hamilton } SS:

I, Amanda Seeley Town Clerk of the Town of Morehouse hereby certify that I that have compared the foregoing resolution with the original resolution, adopted by the Morehouse Town Board at a meeting held of said Board on the 8th day of January 2013 and the same is true and correct transcript there and from and the whole thereof.

Witness my hand and official seal this 22nd day of January 2013

Amanda Seeley, Town Clerk