

The Town of Fenton Town Board held its regular Work Session on Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016, at 6:00 PM at the Fenton Town Hall, 44 Park Street, Port Crane, New York.

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Town Board Members	David Hamlin, Supervisor Michael Husar, Councilman Thomas Moss, Councilman Richard Pray, Councilman
	Highway Superintendent	Frank Root, Jr.
	Town Attorney	Albert Millus, Jr. (arrived at 6:19 PM)
	Town Clerk	Melodie Bowersox
	Administrative Asst./Bookkeeper	Susan Crosier
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Town Board Member	Gary Holcomb, Deputy Supervisor

**OTHER PRESENT:** Randy Ritter, Deputy Highway Superintendent

#### Town Phone Issues

- **Town Engineer's Office** – It was brought to the Town Clerk's attention that there were messages on the previous Town Engineer's phone extension 106 in the Town Engineer's Office that were not being checked by Assistant Town Engineer Rick Armstrong. Melodie and Sue Crosier checked the phone and there were a few old messages and a more recent message left this past Thursday, the day that Rick worked. They will ask Rick to check both phones in the Town Engineer's Office for messages when he works on Thursdays.
- **Justice Court Office** – Caller ID was not working in the Justice Court Office. Sue will contact the Armstrong phone service the Town uses.

**Review Abstract #11, 2016** – After a review of the Abstract, **Mr. Pray moved to approve payment of the bills for Abstract #11, 2016**, seconded by Mr. Moss. **Motion carried.**

**VOTE:** Ayes 5 Hamlin, Husar, Moss, Pray  
Nays 0  
Absent 1 Holcomb

**Meeting on November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2016 @ Town Hall with Lee Hartman** – There will be a meeting next Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2016, at 3 PM, at the Town Hall, with the Town Board and Lee Hartman, who recently purchased a building at the Depot in Hillcrest. Lee takes apart old phone systems and sells the parts. Mr. Hamlin explained to him that it is currently zoned Residential B and that there is an eight ton weight limit on the road. Lee has ten employees and says that he runs a 'clean process'; he also has a warehouse in Ohio. Mr. Pray will not be available for the meeting but will have a list of questions prepared to ask Lee. Mr. Hamlin also invited Atty. Ken Kamlet, Lee's attorney, to attend the meeting.

**Rick Pray's Progress/Reviewing Specs** – Mr. Pray completed his review of the specs for the refurbishment of Well #3 and the new meter pit. He sent them to John Mastronardi of Griffiths Engineering who will make the changes that Mr. Pray requested; also the bid due dates will have to be changed.

**Randy Ritter's 1<sup>st</sup> Snow Storm/Frank Root's Last Snow Storm?!** – Deputy Highway Superintendent Randy Ritter, who was elected as Highway Superintendent to replace Frank Root, said that everything went real well with his 1<sup>st</sup> snow storm!

**Frank Root's Retirement Party December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016** – There will be a retirement party for Highway Superintendent Frank Root on Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016, at 5:30 PM, at the banquet room of My Uncle's Place. See Sue Crosier for more information.

**Landfill Lock** – The key has been changed on the landfill lock. There were too many people who had a copy of the key and Randy is not sure how the key was acquired or duplicated. The neighbors told him that people were going in and out of the landfill nearly every day. Only two people have been given keys, Allen Stinson and Ed Wells, who have right-of-ways to the property, besides the Highway Department. If anyone needs to get into the landfill, they can contact Sue Cook at the Highway Department from 9 AM – Noon, Monday – Friday, to obtain a key.

**Highway Garage Door Openers** – The Highway garage door openers need to be replaced. They are very old and do not work properly most of the time. Randy will meet with Rick Armstrong to go over the quotes that he had received from different companies.

**Sale of Highway Equipment** – A Highway loader and bucket were sold to Jones Heavy Equipment who also painted the Highway's new loader.

**Elliott Manufacturing** – Elliott Manufacturing is asking for a discount on their water/sewer bill. Mr. Pray emailed Rick Armstrong in regard to the matter, recommending that they pay the entire water bill and give them a discount on the sewer bill. Their old bill was significantly small with the old meter readings because it was not measuring any of the small flows; now with the big industrial meter the water bill increased quite a bit.

**Water Rate Increase** – Mr. Husar asked if Port Dickinson had been notified of the water rate increase. Port Dickinson has not been notified yet. This does not take effect until June, 2017 and they have to be notified 60 days in advance.

**Rich Cunningham, THOMA Grant** – Mr. Husar asked if there was any news from Rich Cunningham about the THOMA Grant. Mr. Hamlin replied that he has not heard from Rich. He will call him to check on the status of the Grant.

**Lamont Engineering** – Mr. Husar suggested that Mr. Hamlin might want to contact Lamont Engineering who did our sewer project because if there is a change in the Federal Administration, grant money might become available and they told us previously that they had a person that was 'hunting grants'. Possibly grants would be out there to assist the Town for future projects, such as expanding the sewer.

**Barn Issue @ 5992 NYS Route 79, Ryan Findore** – Mr. Moss asked about the adjournment of Ryan Findore until May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 for the barn issue on his property. Atty. Millus said that Judge Madden wants to get Ryan into Court to have him commit to something on the record; he would rather see a plan in place and not leave it open ended.

**39 Canal Street, Joshua Williams** – The Joshua Williams case was adjourned. He has an attorney, Tom Jackson. Joshua has moved the vehicles off the property at 39 Canal Street.

**CAC** – Mr. Hamlin attended the October CAC Meeting. He said that nothing was accomplished at the meeting. He does not feel that it should be disbanded right away but the Town Board should take a look at the situation.

**At 6:35 PM, Mr. Hamlin adjourned the meeting.**

Melodie A. Bowersox, Town Clerk