

DERUYTER TOWN BOARD MEETING
February 11, 2010

The regular meeting of the DeRuyter Town Board was held at 7:30PM on the above date in the temporary Town Offices.

Present were Supervisor Degear, Clerk Wightman, Councilmen Jones, Barnes, Coon and Hathaway, Highway Superintendent Cook and Madison County Courier representatives.

Motion by Councilmen Barnes and Jones to accept the minutes of the January 11th meeting as presented. All in favor and carried.

TOWN CLERK REPORT:

- The written monthly report was submitted.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

- Normal winter season activities.
- Freightliner back in service.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

- Written monthly report submitted.

TOWN HALL UPDATE:

- The large upstairs window is in.
- Heating and electrical work continues.
- Fire Department visited.

MADISON COUNTY UPDATE:

- Supervisor Degear will be attending the National Association of Counties (NACo) conference in Washington, D.C.
- Highway reimbursement – January to December payment comparison, 2008 to 2009.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Time Warner will be installing Town Clerk line soon. Supervisor Degear convinced them to waive the set-up fee.
- Land Use updates – will invite Planning and Zoning Board members to review Land Use Regulations and make recommendations. Motion by Councilmen Coon and Hathaway to approve this review as annual training. All in favor and carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Ambulance contract – no increase this year. Motion by Councilmen Barnes and Hathaway to approve and authorize Supervisor Degear to sign ambulance contract. All in favor and carried.
- Following a meeting on February 9th with a representative of the Mang Insurance Company, Town employees decided to recommend a switch from Excellus health insurance to MVP. It was recommended by the Mang Agency that we change our health savings account from HSA Bank to NBT Bank. Following further discussion, motion by Councilmen Hathaway and Jones to adopt:

#37 RESOLVED: That this Town Board does hereby agree to change the Town’s Health Insurance agent to the Mang Agency and to transfer health savings accounts from HSA Bank to NBT Bank. The roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Supervisor Degear	Aye
Councilman Coon	Aye
Councilman Barnes	Aye
Councilman Hathaway	Aye
Councilman Jones	Aye

The Clerk declared the foregoing duly carried.

- Motion by Councilmen Barnes and Hathaway to accept the 284 Highway Agreement submitted by the Highway Superintendent. All in favor and carried.
- Supervisor Degear suggested having an engineer look at the Highway Garage and give us a proposal.
- After spending 2 days in Albany attending a NYSAC conference, Supervisor Degear came home very discouraged with the state of the State. He suggests the Board spend more time looking at the Town’s finances and start preparing for the future prior to budget time.
- The bookkeeper will be out of Town just prior to March 1st and requests an extension for filing the Annual Report. Motion by Councilmen Barnes and Jones to request an extension. All in favor and carried.
- Natural gas lease information. We will need to protect our local roads from the impact heavy industry will have and Supervisor Degear suggests we work on a road bond policy for Town roads.
- Motion by Councilmen Barnes and Hathaway to accept the Supervisor's Statement. All in favor and carried.
- Motion by Councilmen Jones and Barnes to pay the bills as audited:

Abstract # 1001	\$20,612.72
Abstract # 1002	\$150,893.49

All in favor and carried.

- Motion by Councilmen Jones and Barnes to adjourn. All in favor and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Wightman
Town Clerk