

The regular meeting of the DeRuyter Town Board was held on the above date in the Conference Room of the DeRuyter Town Hall. Present were Supervisor Degear, Clerk Wightman, Highway Superintendent Cook, Councilmen Hathaway, Jones and Barnes, William Molloy, Eugene Seldon, John Farewell and Barry Buyea. Councilman Coon was absent.

Motion by Councilmen Jones and Barnes to accept the minutes of the January 12th meeting with the following correction - **#21 RESOLVED:** That, having been appointed to the position of Deputy Town Clerk by the Town Clerk (pursuant to Sec. 30(10) of the Town Law) this Town Board authorizes Judy Brown to perform the deputy duties as required by the Town Clerk and that she be compensated at the rate of \$12.00 per hour to be paid quarterly.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; that, having been appointed to the position of Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics by the Town Clerk (pursuant to Sec. 30(10) of the Town Law) this Town Board authorizes Judy Brown to perform the deputy duties and that she be compensated at the rate of \$12.00 per hours to be paid quarterly.

All in favor and carried.

TOWN CLERK’S REPORT:

- The monthly written report was submitted.
- The Municipal Shelter Inspection Report was submitted. The report indicates a “satisfactory” rating.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:

- Working around the shop.
- Madison County Association of Highway Superintendent’s met with Assemblyman Magee and Senator Valesky to encourage the continuation of the CHIPS and multi modal funding.
- Safety training was discussed.
- Working on backhoe repairs.
- Madison County has advised us not to sign any kind of road use agreement with Gutchess Lumber Company.

SUPERVISOR’S REPORT:

- Monthly report submitted including year-end summary for 2011.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Cleaning position for Town Hall was discussed. Will send out a request for proposals.
- The items that were declared surplus were auctioned for a total of \$2,046.04.
- Need to coordinate with Firemen to get the folding chairs we purchased.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Changes to Public Officers Law, Article 7 were discussed. Motion by Councilmen Hathaway and Jones approving the placement of the following language on the Town of

DeRuyter website pursuant to §103(e) of Public Officers Law, Article 7: Effective February 2, 2012, section 103(e) of the open meetings law requires that local governments make available supporting documentation used by the public body for discussion of proposed resolution, law, rule, regulation, policy or any amendment thereto. While posting such documentation on our website would cause an added expense to our tax payers, all documentation will be available upon request at the Town Offices during regular office hours of the Town Clerk. Please note that a copy charge may apply.

- Motion by Supervisor Degear and Councilman Barnes to enter into executive session pursuant to Public Officers Law section 105(1 - f) to discuss the employment history of a particular person.
- Motion by Councilmen Hathaway and Jones to return to regular session. All in favor and carried.
- Madison County Natural Gas Working Group is hosting a county-wide natural gas board training event on Tuesday, March 27, from 6PM – 9PM at Morrisville State College. Town Board members, Planning Board members and Zoning Board members are urged to attend. Motion by Councilmen Barnes and Jones to direct that attendance at this event will count toward required training hours for both Planning and Zoning Board members. All in favor and carried.
- A Building Use Policy needs to be developed for the Town Hall. Guidelines need to be established. Supervisor Degear will work on this for next meeting.
- The computer program for Town Justices was discussed. We did not get a JCAP grant this year. Will work on funding.
- William Molloy attended the meeting to address his concerns regarding hydro-fracking, horsepower ratings for DeRuyter Lake and dye testing. Supervisor Degear assured Mr. Molloy that the Town Board was watching the hydro-fracking issue closely and stated that, currently, it would be illegal for the Town to adjust our codes to address hydro-fracking. Supervisor Degear will ask for DeRuyter Lake Association input regarding horsepower rating and dye testing.
- Barry Buyea asked about the status of the Health Center. It will be closed and no progress has been made to replace the services offered.

TOWN HALL UPDATE:

- Elevator still not working.
 - Library is almost complete.
 - Outside lights are working.
 - The original project budget is almost exhausted so the Town will probably be responsible for at least some of the remaining items. The bench for the Court Room needs to be done, the air conditioning needs to be finished as do the entrances, doors for the office counters, etc..
- ✓ Motion by Councilmen Barnes and Hathaway to accept the Supervisor's statement. All in favor and carried.

✓ Motion by Councilmen Barnes and Hathaway to pay the bills as audited:

Abstract #1001	\$50,765.43
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All in favor and carried.

✓ Motion by Councilmen Barnes and Hathaway to adjourn. All in favor and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Wightman
Town Clerk