

TOWN OF PRINCETOWN
165 PRINCETOWN PLAZA
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK 12306

Town Board Meeting September 20, 2011

Members Present: Councilmember Edwards

Councilmember Esposito

Councilmember Gray

Councilmember Myers

Supervisor Whiteley

Also present: Attorney P. Trimarchi, see sign-in sheet

PUBLIC HEARING BEGAN @ 7:05 PM:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE the Princetown Town Board will hold a Public Hearing @ the Princetown Town Hall, 165 Princetown Plaza, Schenectady NY 12306 at 7:00 PM, on September 20, 2011, to hear all those who would like to comment on the proposal "Water Purveyor Law". Copies of the proposed Law may be obtained at the Town Clerk's office. Written comments may be submitted to the Town Clerk prior to the scheduled hearing. The regular Town Board meeting will be held after this public hearing.

(The above Public Hearing was opened at the last Princetown Town Board meeting on August 9, 2011 and remains open for comment.)

PUBLIC COMMENT: no comment

PUBLIC HEARING ENDED @ 7:07 PM:

Communications:

08/03/2011 NYS ORPS re: equalization rate
08/03/2011 Board of Elections re: Primary
08/09/2011 Patricia Bishop; comments on Water Purveyor proposed Law
08/11/2011 SPCA re: consolidation of services w/in County
08/12/2011 DEC re: study of local flood risk
08/12/2011 NYS Ag and Markets re: Municipal Shelter Inspection Report
08/16/2011 Sch. Co. Dept. of Public Works re: speed reduction request on Darrow Rd.
08/19/2011 McDonald Engineering re: Flood Map Review
08/30/2011 Pine Grove Expansion proposal
08/30/2011 Cornell University re: 4-H Cookie sales
08/30/2011 NYS Unified Court System re: 2011 Court audit
08/31/2011 Bowers & Company CPA's re: Justice Court audits

Reports:

07/2011 Justice Court

08/2011 Justice Court

08/2011 Water Commissioner

08/2011 CEO/Building Inspector

Public Comment:

TOWN BOARD MEETING PUBLIC COMMENT GUIDELINES

The Town Board will hold an opportunity at the regular monthly meeting (2nd Tuesday of every month) for the public to share comments or concerns with the T.B. regarding items scheduled for discussion on the agenda. Each individual will be given one opportunity and three minutes during Public Comment. The person shall state his/her first and last name and address for the record. The public comment opportunity is to be used to make comments to the entire T.B. for their consideration. The purpose of public comment is not to afford an opportunity for back and forth dialogue. In addition the T.B. will hold an opportunity at the end of each monthly meeting for the Public to share comments or concerns with the Town Board on any topic. Each person will be given three minutes. The purpose of this public comment time is not to afford back and forth dialog. There will be time at the end of every meeting for Board members to address comments, questions or concerns residents may have raised if they so choose.

☐ • No comment

MINUTES:

RESOLUTION #11-123

UPON THE MOTION OF COUNCILMEMBER MYERS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ESPOSITO IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED

That meeting minutes from August 9, 2011 be accepted as presented.

ROLL CALL: 5 AYES SAID RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED

OLD BUSINESS:

Town Hall:

Discussed estimates for covering of meeting room windows for safety reasons (per request of

NYMIR and Office of Court Administration), decision tabled

Trooper Barracks:

Minor repairs

Highway:

Superintendent Maura said a review of the Town roads showed no damage due to recent excessive flooding caused by hurricane Irene

DCO:

Quiet month

Water Department:

System ran on generators during the recent power outage from hurricane Irene. Concerns about

contamination of the Normanskill due to excessive flooding and sewage from the Duanesburg sewer system, Town wells were not affected but several private wells may have been

contaminated. The Board discussed the status of the three Water Purveyors in the W1 overlay.

Code Enforcement:

High volume of complaints

Permits have increased over the past month.

NEW BUSINESS:

GENERAL FUND TRANSFERS RESOLUTION #11-124

UPON THE MOTION OF COUNCILMEMBER EDWARDS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MYERS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED

that the Town Board approves the transfer of \$684.00 from T.H. Repairs (16274) to T.H. P.S. (16211).

ROLL CALL: 5 AYES SAID RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED

GENERAL FUND CLAIMS RESOLUTION #11-125

UPON THE MOTION OF COUNCILMEMBER MYERS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER EDWARDS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED

that the Town Board approves claim # 195 to claim # 219 in the amount of \$ 35,207.82.

ROLL CALL: 5 AYES SAID RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED

WATER FUND CLAIMS RESOLUTION #11-126

UPON THE MOTION OF COUNCILMEMBER MYERS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER EDWARDS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED

That the Town Board approves claim # 87 to claim # 103 in the amount of \$ 14,041.91

ROLL CALL: 5 AYES SAID RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED

HIGHWAY FUND CLAIMS RESOLUTION #11-127

UPON THE MOTION OF COUNCILMEMBER GRAY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MYERS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED

That the Town Board approves claim #5 in the amount of \$358.68

ROLL CALL: 5 AYES SAID RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED

TOWN BOARD MEETING VIDEO APPROVAL (8/09/2011 & 9/20/2011)

RESOLUTION #11-128

UPON THE MOTION OF COUNCILMEMBER EDWARDS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MYERS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED

That the Town Board approves the video/audio tape recording of the 8/9/2011, as well as the current meeting, upon viewing by Town Clerk, of the Princetown Town Board meeting.

ROLL CALL: 5 AYES SAID RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED

Public Comment: (as above)

No comment

Councilmember Concerns:

- ☐ • Councilmember Edwards urged the Board to review the proposed Purveyor Law and factor in the possible effects of the recent hurricane. Should additional safe guards be considered?

Discussion:

- ☐ • Audit of Justice Court

- ◦ Councilmember's Edwards and Myers will meet w/Judge Van Woeart

- ☐ • FEMA

- ◦ Supervisor Whiteley discussed FEMA aid for those residents who have home damage as well as erosion from the Normanskill. Registration for FEMA assistance must be done by 10/31/2011. Next week the Army Corp. of Engineers will be in Princetown to evaluate damage done to the Normanskill.

- ☐ • Pine Grove Fire Department expansion

- ◦ Supervisor Whiteley asked the Board to review the Fire Departments expansion proposal, a \$ 3,500,000 project.

- ☐ • REMS

- ◦ Supervisor Whiteley discussed, w/the Board that she has been contacted by REMS and they have indicated that without financial support they will no longer provide service to Princetown residents. REMS will continue to provide service to Rotterdam residents at no cost to the Town. The Board discussed and questioned again why Rotterdam is not contributing financially but Princetown is expected to. Supervisor Whiteley has discussed this issue w/John Tobiassen (Chief of Plotterkill F.D.) as well as Wes Blessing (Chief of Pine Grove F.D.) and they are in agreement w/the T.B. Mohawk Ambulance has offered to become the Town's first responder.

- ☐ • 9-11 Ceremony

- Supervisor Whiteley thanked the Civic Committee and Doug Thorpe for hosting the 9-11 Memorial event

☐ • Budget meetings schedule

- The Board discussed and agreed to hold budget meetings on 10/10/2011 and 10/24/2011 @ 7:00 PM.

*Tentative Budget presented to Board members by Town Clerk C. McClaine

☐ • Water Purveyor Law

- The original proposed law included all overlay areas but the Board decided the proposed Law should only pertain to W1 and that correction has been made. Supervisor Whiteley asked the Board members if there were any other changes that should be made; none noted. The Board discussed the SUP section of this proposal. Attorney Trimarchi said the proposed Law should be referred to the County for comment as the area borders a State Rd.

WATER PURVEYOR (PROPOSED LAW), REFERRAL TO SCHENECTADY COUNTY PLANNING RESOLUTION #11-129

UPON THE MOTION OF COUNCILMEMBER MYERS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER EDWARDS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED

That the Princetown Town Board requests that Schenectady County Planning review the Proposed Water Purveyor Law and remit comments to the Town.

ROLL CALL: 5 AYES SAID RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED

☐ • November Town Board meeting

- Supervisor Whiteley discussed w/the Board that the regular November T.B. meeting falls on Election Day (11/8/2011) and since the T.H. is a polling location the meeting date should be changed. The Board decided that the meeting will be held on Tues. 11/01/2011.

The meeting was adjourned @ 7:49 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol McClaine

Town Clerk