

TOWN OF COVERT
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
August 10, 2009

Call to Order: The regular Town Board Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Michael Reynolds at 7:30PM.

Roll Call: Supervisor Michael Reynolds	Present
Councilman Gary Hunt	Present
Councilman Stephen Selover	Present
Councilwoman Valerie Bassett	Present
Councilman Duane Waid	Present

Others Present: Town Clerk, Colleen Freese	Present
Highway Superintendent, Jeffery Mac Cheyne	Present
Code Enforcement Officer, John Poludniak	Present
Justice, Louis A. Van Cleef	Present
Reporter, Aneta Glover	Present

Residents Present: Diane Bassette Nelson and Jeff Vann

Pledge of Allegiance: followed by moment of silence

Approval of Minutes

- a. July 10, 2009 Regular Town Board Meeting
 - Motioned: Councilman Duane Waid
 - Seconded: Councilman Gary Hunt
 - Carried Unanimously

Petitioners to the Board:

Diane Bassette Nelson appeared before the board to present her proposal for the Town Of Covert. The initial cost for a website would include: Website Domain name (ULR) \$15.00 this is a once a year cost
Website Hosting: \$25.00 per month or \$250 for the year
Initial set-up fee: \$ 120.00 this creates the first pages to establish the website, and emails
Website Host: Finger Lakes Electronics, Mark Williams's manager.
The website could have Town Board meeting minutes and Agendas, Public hearings, Building Permits. This website will provide different sources of information available to the community at there fingertips.

Code Enforcement Officer:

- a. permits issued
 - 1#19-09 State Rt. 89-addition.
 - 2 # 20-09 Rt. 96 Covert Road- Swimming Pool
 - 3. # 21-09 Bassett Road- Barn

Old Business:

A lengthy discussion was held about the Interlaken Library contract. Supervisor Michael Reynolds will talk to the president and invite him/her to come and talk to the Town Board about the Library budget.

Selover moved, seconded by Waid, to have Alarmtech Systems install the Access Control System at the cost of \$4118.00. This system includes 600 lb magnetic door lock, back up power supply. Interior programmable pad with built-in "push To Exit" button, Exterior proximity reader. Intercom System –Includes Exterior Speakers with call button, 2 interior stations (1 in each office-Max.2 interior stations with this control-system will activate door releases. Camera System-4- channel Digital Video Recorder (DVR) with 160 gig hard drive, DVD burner and network connection. High resolution-Color Bullet or Dome Camera- 1 mounting facing entry door and 1 mounted inside court room/meeting room. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business:

Selover moved, seconded by Bassette, to declare two safes, a wooden table and old metal cabinet as surplus and to be posted for the community to make bids on these items. Motion carried unanimously.

Bassett moved, seconded by Waid, for Diane Bassette Nelson to design a website for the Town of Covert. The initial cost for a website would be \$550.00 which will include: Domain name (ULR) \$15.00 this is a yearly cost Website Hosting: \$25.00 per month or \$250 for the year. Initial set-up fee: \$120.00 this creates the first pages to establish the website, and emails. These cost are payable to Mark Williams/Finger Lakes Electronic (\$385.00) Diane Bassette Nelson fee would be \$25.00 per page for the first five pages, and \$15.00 per page after that and a quarterly maintenance fee of \$50.00. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR 2009 JUSTICE COURT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM GRANT

RESOLUTION NO. 02-09

Hunt moved, THAT WHEREAS, the Covert Town Court is in need of items beyond the means of the 2009 budget, and

WHEREAS, the purchase of such items would put a financial strain on the taxpayers of the Town of Covert, and

WHEREAS, The Covert Town Court has the opportunity to apply for the 2009 Justice Court Assistance Program Grant to obtain such items,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Covert Town Board hereby authorizes the Covert Town Court Justice to apply for the 2009 Justice Court Assistance Program Grant requesting up to the maximum amount available to obtain needed items. The resolution was duly seconded by Councilman Waid and was adopted by Ayes-5-Bassett, Selover, Waid, Hunt and Reynolds.

TOWN OF COVERT APPLIES TO THE NEW YORK STATE HIGH PRIORITY PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM FOR TOWN COURT CONSOLIDATION STUDY

RESOLUTION NO.0 3-09

Councilwoman Valerie Bassett moved, seconded by Councilman Gary Hunt,

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of State, Division of Local Government Services has established a competitive statewide program due on July 1st, 2009 to fund the implementation of shared service initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Covert and the Town of Lodi have started the process of the consolidating Town Court functions and have agreed to perform a study to explore the costs and benefits, and the process for Town Court Consolidation; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Covert would act as Lead Applicant with the Town of Lodi as co-applicant, and

WHEREAS, the cost of the studying the Town Court consolidation is \$36,000; and

WHEREAS, this grant, if awarded, would provide funds up to a maximum of \$32,400 toward eligible legal and consultant costs of the study, with a local cash and in kind match of \$3,600 being provided by the Town of Covert; and

WHEREAS, if awarded, both Towns will enter into an inter-municipal agreement to conduct the study, with each municipality's responsibilities listed in detail; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Covert Town Board unanimously agrees to authorizes and direct the Town Supervisor to submit the High Priority Planning Grant application to the New York State Division of Local Government Services 2010 Local Government Efficiency Grant Program.

Selover made motion, seconded by Hunt, to approve the Town Clerk and Dog control Officer to work together to notify dog owner if they are delinquent in licensing their dogs. A letter of reminder with a 30 day notice will be sent out. If there is no reply within 30 day period then a legal form stating the violation of unlicensed dog will be delivered by the dog control officer Chris Austin. Motion carried unanimously.

Selover moved, seconded by Waid, that Highway Fund Vouchers # 101- 112 in the amount of \$12,941.18 and General Fund Vouchers 124- 143 in the amount of \$21,375.78 be approved for payment. Motion carried unanimously.

There will be a budget workshop meeting on Monday, September 14, 2009 at 6:00 PM.

Supervisor Michael Reynolds filed his revenue and expenditure report with the Board.

Highway Superintendent Jeffery MacCheyne filed his July report with the Board.

Town Clerk Colleen Freese filed her July report with the supervisor. A total of \$345.23 was remitted.

On the motion of Selover, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM.

Michael G. Reynolds, Supervisor

Colleen R. Freese, Town Clerk