

**TOWN OF MARCELLUS  
TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

October 14, 2010

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Marcellus, County of Onondaga, State of New York was held on Thursday, October 14, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Hall, 24 East Main Street, Marcellus, New York. Those present were:

Daniel J. Ross, Supervisor  
James A. Sheridan, Councilor  
Thomas C. Lathrop, Councilor  
Donald G. Sherman, Councilor  
Kevin F. O'Hara, Councilor

Also present: Karen R. Pollard, Town Clerk; Sandy Taylor, Deputy Town Clerk; Wendy Reese, Counsel; Donald MacLachlan, Highway Superintendent; Mary Jo Paul, Marcellus Village Trustee; Phil Coccia, Recreation Leader; Garth Snyder, Crew Leader; Jamie Plis, Bernie Montgomery, Jesse Garn, John Calley and Stephen Knapp.

Supervisor Ross opened the meeting at 7 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Copies of the minutes of the Town Board Meeting held on September 13, 2010, Workshop Meeting held on September 23, 2010 and the Special Meeting held on September 30, 2010 was given to the Board Members. Councilor O'Hara pointed out an error on the September 30<sup>th</sup> minutes, the Councilors who made the motions to adjourn the meeting were wrong. The Town Clerk will make the necessary corrections. Councilor made a motion seconded by Councilor to approve the minutes as corrected. All voted aye. Carried.

The Abstract of Audited Vouchers was given to the Board Members as submitted by the Town Clerk, Abstract # 10 as of October 14, 2010, Claims #20100713 – 20100800 and Highway Claims #2010145 - 2010179.

	<u>Expenses</u>
General Fund	\$31,654.49
General Fund – Part Town	1,995.04
Highway – Town Wide	52,102.78
Highway – Part Town	89,721.05
Fire	74,300.00
Hydrant	439.79
Sewer	85.94
Water	11,774.99

Bills paid between meetings:

NYSE&G:

Platt Road (clm 706)	\$ 20.00
Platt Road (clm 707)	15.65
Park Street Lighting (clm 708)	230.43
Town Hall (clm 709)	223.87
Town Hall (clm 710)	350.54
Town Street Lighting (clm 711)	1,155.37
Check no. 23342	

State Insurance Fund (clm 712) \$ 139.09  
Check no. 23344

Board Members were given copies of the Activity Report for September 2010 and monthly statement of bank balances as of September 30,2010.

	<u>Total Revenue</u>	<u>Total Expense</u>
General Fund	\$1,226,879.89	\$921,929.57
General Fund – Part Town	86,471.00	66,494.92
Highway – Town Wide	479,001.52	255,262.50
Highway – Part Town	338,514.76	359,994.77
Fire	597,788.46	548,480.36

Councilor Sherman made a motion seconded by Supervisor Ross to approve and pay the bills, approve the monthly activity report for September 2010 and the monthly statement of bank balances as of September 30, 2010. All voted aye. Carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Report from Department Liaisons:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Intermunicipal Agreement: School Sign:** Supervisor Ross presented to the Board an Intermunicipal Agreement between Marcellus Central School, Village of Marcellus and the Town concerning the installation of an illuminated, electronic, digital sign at Mustang Hill. The Town will agree to provide labor and equipment necessary for the installation of the electric service to the sign. In exchange for the contribution the Town will be able to run public service and community announcements on the sign. Counsel Gascon has reviewed the agreement. Councilor Lathrop made a motion seconded by Councilor O'Hara to authorize the Supervisor to enter into an Intermunicipal Agreement between Marcellus Central School, Village of Marcellus and the Town concerning the installation of an illuminated, electronic, digital sign at Mustang Hill. All voted aye. Carried.

**Southern Onondaga Water District: Approval of Vouchers 7 & 8:**

Councilor Lathrop made a motion seconded by Councilor Sherman to approve the following payments in conjunction with the Southern Onondaga Area Water District:

Voucher #7	Onondaga County Water Auth.	\$618.24
Voucher #7	Onondaga County Water Auth.	\$942.08
Voucher #7	Onondaga County Water Auth.	\$1,736.96
Voucher #8	Alliance Bank, NA	\$50,000.00
Voucher #8	Alliance Bank, NA	\$4,786.67

All voted aye. Carried.

**Appointment: Part Time Accountant - Margaret Gerbsch:** Councilor Lathrop made a motion seconded by Councilor Sherman to appoint Margaret Gerbsch as a temporary part-time accountant at \$14.00 per hour effective August 24, 2010. All voted aye. Carried.

**Dog License Recommendations:** Effective January 1, 2011, the State of New York will no longer be involved in dog licensing. Each municipality will be required to administer the licensing program locally. To meet this end, a local law will have to be passed to enable the

Town to administer the licensing program. There are various questions that have to be answered for the local law as provided by Counsel Gascon's office. The Town Clerk led the Board through the questions and the recommendations will be incorporated in the draft legislation for the local law governing the dog-licensing program for the Town of Marcellus.

**Agreement with Onondaga County to Access a County Maintained Bid List:** A letter dated September 14, 2010 was received from the Office of the County Executive. It explained the County Executive's proposal for consolidated municipal purchasing. Councilor O'Hara made a motion seconded by Councilor Lathrop to inform the County Executive's office of the Town of Marcellus willingness to participate in the consolidated municipal purchasing. All voted aye. Carried.

**Schedule Public Hearing for 2011 Budget on November 4<sup>th</sup> at 7pm:** Councilor Lathrop made a motion seconded by Councilor Sherman to schedule a public hearing for the 2011 budget on November 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at the Marcellus Town Hall. All voted aye. Carried.

**Replace Park Golf Cart:** Councilor Lathrop advised the Board that there is a need to replace the golf cart that is used by the Park staff. It was purchased used by the Olde Home Days committee and donated to the park. It is over seven years old and needs among other things, batteries and tires. A replacement could be purchased for approximately \$3200 with the trade in. Councilor O'Hara made a motion seconded by Councilor Sherman to authorize the purchase of a new golf cart for Marcellus Park, with trade in, not to exceed \$3200. The funds are available in the Park Equipment budget. All voted aye. Carried.

### **Discussion Agenda**

Supervisor Ross provided the Board with a cost estimate for the proposed community sign that will be placed next to the Town Hall. The Olde Home Days Committee will be providing the sign. The project will be discussed at the next Town Board Workshop.

Supervisor Ross also provided the Board with updated figures from the Marcellus Fire Department. This information will be beneficial with budget negotiations.

Assemblymen Will Barclay dropped by to speak to the residents and the Board concerning the upcoming elections and to answer any questions.

**Items from the Board:** None

### **Items from the Floor:**

Steve Knapp, member of MAVES, informed the Board of a recent purchase of cardiac monitor that is state of the art.

Highway Superintendent, Donald MacLachlan, discussed with the Board the problem of the shoulder of the road caving in on Glover Road.

Councilor Lathrop made a motion seconded by Councilor Sheridan to adjourn the Marcellus Town Board meeting at 7:54 P.M. All voted aye. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen R. Pollard, Town Clerk