

# TOWN OF MARCELLUS

## WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

**January 27, 2011**

The meeting was called to order at 7PM by Supervisor Ross. In attendance were Supervisor Ross and board members Lathrop, O'Hara, Sheridan and Sherman. Also, Highway Superintendent MacLachlan, Code Officer Reagan, Recreation Director Coccia. Also, resident B. Montgomery. Items discussed were:

- I.     **Software Update Proposal**  
Mr. Reagan asked the board to consider upgrading all town computers Windows 10 through a network license with Microsoft. He presented a review of the various versions currently running on Town PC's and how this makes it difficult for all computers to share documents. He presented cost estimates to do this. An update should be good for at least three years. Mr. Reagan agreed to search other vendors in an effort to further reduce the cost.
  
- II.    **Accounting Software**  
Supervisor Ross reported that the town bookkeeper continues to have difficulty with the financial software. She has asked the former vendor to provide a cost to return to the old software that is still on her PC and only unused for one year.
  
- III.   **Platt Rd. Sewer Pump Replacement**  
Supervisor Ross was informed by the County Department of Water and Environmental Protection that the pumps in the Platt Rd. Pump Station have been requiring a lot of attention lately and suggested that we consider replacing them (2). The station is 35 years old and while the rest of the pump station equipment will eventually need upgrading they feel only the pumps are in immediate need of replacement. He asked the vendor most likely to be able to replace this equipment to provide a quotation.

- IV. Community Development Funding- Municipal Parking  
Supervisor Ross asked the board to consider applying for Community Development funding to develop a municipal parking lot to the rear of the former Yuhas property. After a discussion about the pro's and con's of federal funding, it was agreed to contact a grant writer to assist with the application process.
- V. SPCA Funding  
Supervisor Ross advised the board that other towns continue to have questions about the SPCA request for the towns to provide them with \$2 per dog license for the purpose of housing animals victimized by cruelty. The Town Clerks have also gathered information that makes the \$2 appear to be excessive. As most other towns, we will take a wait and see approach to this issue.
- VI. Parks  
Supervisor Ross updated the board on Welcome Center lights. The electrical contractor and the general contractor had replaced the sensors. Issues with them operating properly still remain. We are working with B&L and the general contractor to resolve the remaining issues.  
Mr. Coccia has received an inquiry about snowmobiles in the lower park. The board agreed to post signs prohibiting snowmobile use in the lower park.
- VII. Other Matters  
Mr. Reagan requested a second phone for his office as well as Caller ID. It was agreed to consider this request after the phone service is converted to Time Warner.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.