

TOWN OF MARCELLUS
WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
February 23, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Ross at 7PM. In attendance were Supervisor Ross and Board members Lathrop, O'Hara and Sherman. Also, Town Attorney Gascon, Highway Superintendent MacLachlan and Recreation Director Coccia. Also, Village Trustee Paul, R. Banuski of HR One Consulting, D. Card of the Marcellus Volunteer Fire Department and resident B. Montgomery. Items discussed were:

- I. Update of Town Salary Survey
Robert Banuski, President of HR One Consulting presented the methodology and utility of a salary study as well as the proposed cost. Mr. Banuski also discussed previous service provided to the town. Proposal will be considered at March meeting of the Town Board.
- II. Service Awards
David Card discussed the department's proposal for a referendum on a Service Awards program. Methods of cost sharing were reviewed. MVFD will present final cost proposal for the SA program and board will then vote on sending to referendum.
- III. Village Sewer Agreement
Mr. Gascon updated the Board on negotiations with the village for a new sewer agreement. New agreement will shift operation responsibility for the entire system to the village in return for additional revenues from the Town. Town would be obligated to inspect and make any repairs to the extensions prior to the village taking over operation. Mr. Gascon is awaiting a written draft of the proposed agreement.
- IV. Engineering Proposals
The Board discussed its review of 5 engineering proposals. It was agreed to invite B&L and TDK back for an additional meeting before deciding on award of the town consulting agreement. It was the consensus of the Board as well that the award of this agreement would not preclude the Board from awarding utilizing other firms for specific projects in the future. Supervisor will arrange the second meetings.
- V. Website Management
Mr. Reagan has informed the Board that he no longer wishes to manage the town's website. Supervisor Ross proposed that Deputy Clerk Taylor take over the duties with any necessary training provide by the Board. She has agreed to do this at no charge to the Town for

the remainder of 2012. Town can evaluate the time and cost to do this job and make any adjustments for the 2013 budget.

- VI. Highway Garage Improvements
Highway Superintendent MacLachlan is in the process of developing plans for improvements to the Town Highway Garage. He is investigating steel buildings and possible grant sources. He will continue discussions with the Board as his investigation progresses.

- VII. Parks
Mr. Lathrop updated the Board on his recent meeting with the Friends of Marcellus Park. Board discussed development of a central sign listing locations of memorial trees in the Park. This would be in place of bricks currently being used to mark these trees. If sign was not sufficient trees could be marked by brick or plaque that would be more natural in color. Other items discussed were beautification of Park St. entrance, lighting for Platt Rd. entrance, removal of tree in front of Welcome Center, additional trails and siding of the Welcome Center.

- VIII. Attorney
Town has been asked to adopt an amicus curiae resolution in support of home rule as requested by the Town of Ulysses related to a hydro-fracking ban. Mr. Gascon will review the brief but at this point he has no objection to the Board's adoption of this resolution.

- IX. Other Matters
Town currently holds the FCC license for a communications tower that also houses school radio equipment. Town no longer has a need for the tower and the school would like to hold the FCC license. This license renews in 2014. Town will work with the school to transfer the license..

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM.