

**TOWN OF MARCELLUS
TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

February 9, 2015

A Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Marcellus, County of Onondaga, State of New York was held on Monday, February 9, 2015 in the Town Hall, 24 East Main Street, Marcellus, New York. Those present were:

Mary Jo Paul, Supervisor
Kevin F. O’Hara, Councilor
John Scanlon, Councilor
Karen Pollard, Councilor
Chris Hunt, Councilor

Also present: Don MacLachlan, Highway Superintendent; Chris Mallone, Skaneateles Journal; John Houser, Codes Officer; Joe Durand, TDK Engineers; Jim Gascon, Town Attorney; 5 Town Residents and Sandy Taylor, Town Clerk.

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

A motion was made by Councilor Scanlon and seconded by Councilor Hunt to table item number 8 on the agenda, Time Warner Cable, and replace it with Utilities.

Ayes – Scanlon, Hunt, Paul, O’Hara and Pollard Carried

A motion was made by Councilor O’Hara and seconded by Councilor Scanlon to accept the town Clerks minutes from January 2, 2015, January 12, 2015 and January 22, 2015.

Ayes – Scanlon, Hunt, Paul, O’Hara and Pollard Carried

The Abstract of Audited Vouchers was given to the Board Members as submitted by the Town Clerk, Abstract #2 as of February 5, 2015, Claims #141612-141655, 141658, 141665-141667.

	<u>Expenses</u>
General Fund	\$126,102.25
General Fund – Part Town	1,017.94
Highway – Town Wide	2,620.23
Fire District	85,330.50
Sewer District	105.93
Water	33,696.28
Trust & Agency	<u>50,098.46</u>
 Total	 \$298,971.59

Board Members were given copies of the Activity Report as of February 5, 2015.

	<u>Total Revenue</u>	<u>Total Expense</u>
General Fund	\$1,600,234.54	1,109,751.57
General Fund – Part Town	181,314.00	171,449.18
Highway – Town Wide	486,748.00	458,778.46
Highway – Part Town	377,526.00	347,913.26

Fire District	497,210.00	423,041.50
Hydrant Fund	283,041.00	0.00
Ambulance Fund		199,473.75
Sewer District	122,407.00	121,491.09
Water District	109,840.00	74,565.00

Councilor Scanlon made a motion seconded by Supervisor Paul to approve and pay the bills and approve the monthly activity report as of February 5, 2015.

Ayes – Scanlon, Hunt, Paul, O’Hara and Pollard Carried

TDK DEC Report: Joe Durand from TDK Engineering, spoke about the TDK report on The Drainage Swale Remediation Program, DEC SPILL NO 1310745. His suggestion is that the report be sent to the State Health Department and County Health Department.

Councilor Pollard made a motion seconded by Councilor Hunt to approve the final DEC SPILL NO 1310745 report and have Joe Durand from TDK Engineering send it to the State and County Health Departments. He will keep the Town informed of what their suggestions are.

Ayes – Scanlon, Hunt, Paul, O’Hara and Pollard Carried

STORMWATER REPORT: John Houser, Codes Officer, stated that he is working on the Stormwater Management Program for the Town of Marcellus. He has and will continue to contact Joe Durand from TDK Engineering for any questions he has. John has been in contact with the Coalition and will ask for an extension as he needs it. At the February 26, 2015 meeting, he will show the Board what he has done up to this point.

Olde Home Days Request: A request has been received from Cathy Marsden, Chair of the Olde Home Days Committee to use the Town Hall Parking lot and the empty space behind the Community Bulletin board for the 2015 Olde Home Days which will be held on June 5th, 6th and 7th. The space around the Town Hall would be used for non-profit organizations. Councilor Hunt made a motion seconded by Councilor Pollard to approve the request from Cathy Marsden on behalf of the Olde Home Days Committee to use the Town Hall Parking lot and the empty lot behind the community bulletin board for non-profit organizations for the 2015 Olde Home Days event.

Ayes – Scanlon, Hunt, Paul, O’Hara and Pollard Carried

FIRE DEPARTMENT/MAVES REPORTS: Councilor Scanlon had a meeting with MAVES last month and is going to schedule a meeting with the Fire Department later this month to go over the financials from each department and will get back to the Board. MAVES has been invited to come to the February 26, 2015 meeting.

SOLARIZE CNY: Supervisor Paul made a motion seconded by Councilor Scanlon to approve the joining of Solarize CNY. This would entail a lot of duties from the Town and the Solarize CNY Organization would receive \$5,000. After some discussion a vote was taken.

Ayes – None Nays – Scanlon, Hunt, Paul, O’Hara and Pollard. Not Carried

UTILITIES: Councilor Scanlon made a motion seconded by Councilor O’Hara that the Supervisor call American Power & Gas and put them on notice that we may be changing Companies to save money on our electric bills. Supervisor Paul received information from MEP (Municipal Energy Program) that she received through the Association of

Towns that can save us money. Through MEP, the rate would be a fixed rate for two years.

Ayes – Scanlon, Hunt, Paul, O’Hara and Pollard

Carried

TIME WARNER CABLE: Councilor Pollard asked about the Time Warner Contract and Jim Gascon, Town Attorney, stated that he has not heard anything yet.

2015 TAXES: Councilor O’Hara made a motion seconded by Councilor Scanlon to approve the press release, correction action plan and tax error sheet. Residents will be notified if they overpaid or underpaid by \$50. Supervisor Paul will work on getting the refunds to residents as soon as possible. A letter will go out to the residents that underpaid and it will be adjusted on their 2016 tax bill.

Ayes – Scanlon, Hunt, Paul, O’Hara and Pollard

Carried

HANDBOOK REVIEW: The Board agreed to the handbook changes Supervisor Paul will send it out for a printed draft before the final copy for approval.

Supervisor ‘s Updates: Supervisor Paul stated that the building was closed today due to the fact the pipes were frozen. Don MacLachlan, Highway Superintendent, was here today along with OCWA. OCWA will be back in the spring due to the fact that the pipes in the front of the building are not deep enough.

Supervisor Paul stated that the 2011 AUD have been approved and that the 2012 will be sent to the Office of the State Comptroller soon.

Supervisor Paul reminded everyone that she will be out of the office on Tuesday and Wednesday (Monday is a holiday). She will be in NYC at the Association of Towns Meeting and will be back in the office on Thursday, but will check in everyday.

Councilor Scanlon mentioned that he researched the cost of the trash haulers going to OCRRA (Onondaga County Recourse Recovery Agency) and the cost of going to Seneca Meadows Landfill. Jim Gascon, Town Attorney, stated that the Municipalities in Onondaga County (with the exception of Skaneateles) all are in a contract with OCRRA.

Councilor Scanlon made a motion seconded by Councilor Pollard to adjourn the Marcellus Town Board Meeting at 9:20 pm.

Ayes – Scanlon, Hunt, Paul, O’Hara and Pollard

Carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Taylor
Town Clerk