

**TOWN OF PLATTSBURGH
TOWN BOARD SEMI-MONTHLY MEETING
MARCH 19, 2007**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the presiding officer at the Town Hall on the Banker Road.

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
MEMBERS: Bernard C. Bassett, Supervisor	X	
John F. St. Germain, Councilperson	X	
Thomas E. Wood, Councilperson	X	
Sheila A. Brockway, Councilperson	X	
Gerard A. Renadette, Councilperson	X	
Amy L. Duquette, Town Clerk	X	
James J. Coffey, Town Attorney	X	

RESOLUTION NO. 07-72**Approve Minutes**

Motion by:	Sheila A. Brockway	Seconded by:	John F. St Germain
Carried by:	Ayes 5	Nays 0	

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the previous meeting(s) be approved and the reading of the minutes be dispensed with.

Present: See Attached

Comments: Sabrina Bruno thanked Supervisor Bassett and the Town of Plattsburgh for supporting the Morrisonville Magic Team; Sabrina presented the Board with a picture of her team. Keith Bruno added that he is very thankful of the support the Town gives to the kids.

Committee Reports

See Attached

RESOLUTION NO. 07-73**Receive Report from W/W**

Motion by:	Gerard A. Renadette	Seconded by:	Sheila A. Brockway
Carried by:	Ayes 5	Nays 0	

RESOLVED, to receive and place on file a report from David Comfort of the Water and Wastewater Department for December 2006, January and February 2007

Discussion: Councilor St Germain said he is not sure where the term Greater Plattsburgh Water District comes from, adding that all of the resolutions refer to The Consolidated Water District.

RESOLUTION NO. 07-74 (TABLED)**Supervisor's Financial Report**

Motion by:	Sheila A. Brockway	Seconded by:	Thomas E. Wood
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RESOLVED, to receive and place on file the Supervisor's Financial Report for the months of January and February 2007.

Discussion: Yes

MOTION TO TABLE RESOLUTION 07-74

Motion by:	Gerard A. Renadette	Seconded by:	John F. St Germain
Carried by:	Ayes 5	Nays 0	

RESOLUTION NO. 07-75

Abstract 3B

Motion by:	Thomas E. Wood	Seconded by:	Sheila A. Brockway
Carried by:	Ayes 4	Nays 1	John F. St Germain

RESOLVED, that the abstract of audited claims **No3B. (70481-70609)** In the amount of (\$516,781.23), be received as reviewed, by the Audit Committee, and the Supervisor is hereby authorized to pay said abstracts.

Discussion: Councilor St Germain questioned some bills included in this abstract, as well as meals for the Codes Conference. Don lee responded to the comments Councilor St Germain's made at this meeting and the prior meeting regarding the training school. A lengthy discussion followed.

RESOLUTION NO. 07-76

C/ H SEWER SYSTEM

Motion by:	Gerard A. Renadette	Seconded by:	Thomas E. Wood
Carried by:	Ayes 5	Nays 0	

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Town of Plattsburgh to work toward preservation of the water quality in Lake Champlain and Lake Champlain Basin, and

WHEREAS, sewage treatment is a concern for property owners on Cumberland Head, and

WHEREAS, the Town is desirous of submitting a Preliminary Eligibility Determination for USDA funding for the construction of the Cumberland Head Sewer System from the United States Department of Agriculture therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the firm of Laberge Group, 4 Computer Drive West, Albany, New York 12205, duly licensed under the Laws of the State of New York be authorized to prepare and manage the aforesaid Preliminary Eligibility Determination for financial assistance and all other plans, specifications, contracts, drawings, documents, and other necessary planning and community development work as required and as directed by the Supervisor; and, be it

RESOLVED, that the supervisor be authorized to enter into contract with the Laberge Group to prepare the Application as indicated in the "Authorization To Proceed" document, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, Laberge Group shall begin the initial preparation of the Preliminary Eligibility Determination for a fee not exceeds four thousand dollars (\$4,000).

Discussion: Councilor Renadette asked Supervisor Bassett if this is a study for around Cumberland Head and not Champlain Park, Supervisor Bassett confirmed by stating this is a preliminary data gathering that the Town needs to move forward, this will determine whether or not the Town can apply for funding for the providing of public sewer for the head the entire way around. Supervisor Bassett said this is an initial step, required to get funding. Councilor Renadette said he remembers Senator Schumer trying to get funding for this particular district a year or so ago.

RESOLUTION NO. 07-77

Junk Yard Renewal 225 Rugar

**Motion by: Thomas E. Wood
Carried by: Ayes 5**

**Seconded by: Gerard A. Renadette
Nays 0**

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk has received renewal application and fees for a license to operate a junk yard business from the following:

Richard Robbins/Ed Champagne Jr. 225 Rugar St.

WHEREAS, Don Lee, Code Enforcement Officer, has completed inspection of the junkyard in accordance thereto; now, therefore it is

RESOLVED, to receive and place on file a letter dated March 14, 2007, stating that the inspection of Robbins/Champagne Jr. Junkyard, located on 225 Rugar Street, was conducted and the applicant is in compliance; and, is it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Plattsburgh does hereby receive and place on file said application and authorize the Town Clerk to issue a junk yard license to the aforementioned applicant in compliance with the letter issued by Donald F. Lee, Code Enforcement Officer of the Town of Plattsburgh.

RESOLUTION NO. 07-78

Junkyard Renewal 55 Hammond Ln.

**Motion by: Thomas E. Wood
Carried by: Ayes 5**

**Seconded by: Sheila A. Brockway
Nays 0**

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk has received renewal application and fees for a license to operate a junkyard business from the following:

Phyllis Parmeter 55 Hammond Lane

WHEREAS, Don Lee, Code Enforcement Officer, has completed inspection of the junkyard in accordance thereto; now, therefore it is

RESOLVED, to receive and place on file a letter dated March 14,2007, stating that the inspection of Phyllis Parmeter’s Junkyard located on Hammond Lane, was conducted and the applicant is in compliance; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Plattsburgh does hereby receive and place on file said application and authorize the Town Clerk to issue a junkyard license to the

aforementioned applicant in compliance with the letter issued by Donald F. Lee, Code Enforcement Officer of the Town of Plattsburgh.

Discussion: Don Stated that the vehicles will need to be put behind the fence.

RESOLUTION NO. 07-79

Junkyard Renewal 24 Flanagan Dr.

Motion by: Gerard A. Renadette
Carried by: Ayes 5

Seconded by: Sheila A. Brockway
Nays 0

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk has received an application and fees for a license to operate a junkyard business from the following:

Ricky Lyman’s Auto 24 Flanagan Drive

WHEREAS, Don Lee, Code Enforcement Officer, has completed inspection of the junkyard in accordance thereto; now, therefore it is

RESOLVED, to receive and place on file a letter dated March 14,2007, stating that the inspection of Ricky Lyman’s Auto Junkyard located on Flanagan Drive, was conducted and the applicant is in compliance; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Plattsburgh does hereby receive and place on file said application and authorize the Town Clerk to issue a junkyard license to the aforementioned applicant in compliance with the letter issued by Donald F. Lee, Code Enforcement Officer of the Town of Plattsburgh.

Discussion: Don Lee noted that there are a few issues with Lyman’s junkyard that will need to be corrected. All vehicles will need to be put behind the fence and there will need to be some green space as per the Planning Board conditions.

RESOLUTION NO. 07-80

Junkyard Renewal 271 Rugar St.

Motion by: John F. St Germain
Carried by: Ayes 3

Seconded by: Sheila A. Brockway
Nays 2
Thomas E. Wood
Gerard A. Renadette

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk has received renewal application and fees for a license to operate a junk yard business from the following:

Edward Champagne- 271 Rugar St.

WHEREAS, Don Lee, Code Enforcement Officer, has completed inspection of the junkyard in accordance thereto; now, therefore it is

RESOLVED, to receive and place on file a letter dated March 14, 2007, stating that the inspection of Edward Champagne Junkyard located on 271 Rugar Street, was conducted and the applicant is operating the same as; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Plattsburgh does hereby receive and place on file said application and authorize the Town Clerk to issue a junkyard license to the aforementioned applicant in compliance with the letter issued by Donald F. Lee, Code Enforcement Officer of the Town of Plattsburgh.

Discussion: Don Lee stated that last year he wrote a letter to the board requesting the License not be issued, and nothing has changed as far as the fencing or gate. Don is asking that Mr. Champagne bring the Junk Yard into compliance. Councilor wood asked if Mr. Champagne was asked to fix the fencing and Don stated that he was asked last year. Councilor St Germain brought up the issues from last year regarding the tires. Councilor St Germain believes the tires are a DEC problem and if there was not an issue in all of the prior years with the tires or the fencing, why has there been a problem for the last couple few years. Don stated that his concern this year is the fence and the potential danger of not having a proper one. Discussion continued.

RESOLUTION NO. 07-81

Temporary Road Closures

Motion by: Gerard A. Renadette
Carried by: Ayes 5

Seconded by: Thomas E. Wood
Nays 0

RESOLVED, to receive a request dated March 6, 2007 from Wayne Gonyea Superintendent of Highways requesting permission to temporarily post and close certain Town roads effective March 24th, 2007 as follows:

- Baker Road
- Bart Merrill Rd. (Section North of the Gene LeFevre Rd. intersection)
- Bell Road
- Bradford Road
- Champlain Park (Both Entrances)
- Cliff Haven Community (All Entrances)
- Kennedy Road
- Labarre Street
- Robinson Road
- South Jct. Road
- Thunderbird Heights (All Entrances)
- Trudeau Road
- Woodcliff Drive

and it is further

RESOLVED, that vehicles, as described in the New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law, Section 1660, be excluded from Town Highways and/or sections thereof listed in the aforementioned letter upon (1) the erection of signs posting the respective highways or sections thereof; and (2) a notice, pursuant to said section 1660, being published the Press Republican; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby authorize and direct the Town Clerk to cause said notice to be published in the Press Republican in accordance with Town Law.

Discussion: Yes

RESOLUTION NO. 07-82

Notice of Public Hearing /Local Law #3

Motion by: Sheila A. Brockway
Carried by: Ayes 5

Seconded by: Thomas E. Wood
Nays 0

RESOLVED, that a public hearing will be held before the Town Board of the Town of Plattsburgh at the Town Hall, 151 Banker Rd, Plattsburgh, New York 12901 on the 2nd day of April, 2007 at 6:45 PM, concerning the passage of proposed Local Law No. 3 {introductory} of 2007, entitled "Extension of the Wind Energy Moratorium". A full copy of said local law is available for review at the Town Clerk's office, Plattsburgh Town Hall, 151 Banker Rd. Plattsburgh, New York 12901. At such time and place all persons interested in the subject matter thereof will be heard concerning the same.

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is hereby directed to have published in the Press Republican notice of said public hearings to be held at the Town Hall, Banker Road.

MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE EMPLOYMENT HISTORY OF TWO EMPLOYEES.

Motion by: John F. St Germain
Carried by: Ayes 5

Seconded by: Gerard A. Renadette
Nays 0

MOTION TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:27 PM

Motion by: Thomas E. Wood
Carried by: Ayes 5

Seconded by: Sheila A. Brockway
Nays 0

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by: Gerard A. Renadette
Carried by: Ayes 5

Seconded by: Sheila A. Brockway
Nays 0

RESOLVED, that this Town Board Meeting be adjourned at 9:28 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Duquette, Town Clerk