

**TOWN OF PLATTSBURGH
TOWN BOARD SEMI-MONTHLY MEETING
September 21, 2009**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by the presiding officer at the Town Hall on the Banker Road in the Town of Plattsburgh.

		<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
MEMBERS:	Bernard C. Bassett, Supervisor		X
	Thomas E. Wood, Councilor		X
	Shelia A. Brockway, Councilor	X	
	Gerard A. Renadette, Councilor		
	Martin D. Mannix, Councilor	X	
	Rickey J. Collins, Town Clerk		
	James J. Coffey, Town Attorney	X	
			X
<u>Resolution No.09-288</u>	<u>Approve Minutes of</u>	X	
<u>the Previous Meeting</u>			

RESOLVED, that the minutes of September 8, and September 14, 2009 be approved and the reading of the minutes be dispensed with.

Motion by: Gerard A. Renadette
Seconded by: Martin D. Mannix

Discussion:

Roll Call:	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Thomas E. Wood	absent	
Sheila A. Brockway	x	
Gerard A. Renadette	x	
Martin D. Mannix	x	
Bernard C. Bassett	absent	

Carried:

PUBLIC RECOGNITION

Present:

Comments:

Resolution No. 09-289

Abstract 9B -09

RESOLVED, that the abstract of audited claims **No.9B-09 (92171-92297)** in the amount of (\$843,766.70, be received as reviewed by the Audit Committee and the Supervisor is hereby authorized to pay said abstracts.

Motion: Gerard A. Renadette
Seconded by: Martin D. Mannix

Discussion:

Roll Call:	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Thomas E. Wood		absent
Sheila A. Brockway	x	
Gerard A. Renadette	x	
Martin D. Mannix	x	
Bernard C. Bassett		absent

Carried:

Resolution No. 09-290

Dog Control Officer's Monthly Report

RESOLVED, to receive and place on file a report from David Duquette, Dog Control Officer, for the month of August 2009.

Motion: Martin D. Mannix
Seconded by: Gerard A. Renadette

Discussion:

Roll Call:	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Thomas E. Wood		absent
Sheila A. Brockway	x	
Gerard A. Renadette	x	
Martin D. Mannix	x	
Bernard C. Bassett		absent

Carried:

Resolution No.09-291

Parks And Recreation Department Monthly Report

RESOLVED,to receive and place on file a report from Melanie Defayette, Recreation and Youth Services Director, August 2009.

Motion: Gerard A. Renadette
Seconded by: Martin D. Mannix

Discussion:

Roll Call:	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Thomas E. Wood	Absent	
Sheila A. Brockway	x	
Gerard A. Renadette	x	
Martin D. Mannix	x	
Bernard C. Bassett	Absent	

Carried:

Resolution No.09-292 **SUPERVISOR'S MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT**

RESOLVED, to receive and place on file the Supervisor's Financial Report for the month of August 2009.

Motion: Martin D. Mannix
Seconded by: Gerard A. Renadette

Discussion:

Roll Call:	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Thomas E. Wood	Absent	
Sheila A. Brockway	x	
Gerard A. Renadette	x	
Martin D. Mannix	x	
Bernard C. Bassett	Absent	

Carried:

Resolution No. 09-293 **Water Waste Water Monthly Report**

RESOLVED, to receive and place on file a report from David Comfort, Director of the Water and Wastewater Department, for the month of August 2009.

Motion: Martin D. Mannix
Seconded by: Gerard A. Renadette

Discussion:

Roll Call:	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Thomas E. Wood	Absent	
Sheila A. Brockway	x	
Gerard A. Renadette	x	
Martin D. Mannix	x	
Bernard C. Bassett	Absent	

Carried:

Resolution No. 09-294 **Request For Astrodome Park Road, Buckley Road**
And Hill Top Court to be Removed From The
County 911 Listing as Roads

WHEREAS, The Town of Plattsburgh has received a letter from Fred Lavene, Town of Plattsburgh Highway Superintendent, in regard to a request from Emergency Services; to remove private road names no longer needed; and

WHEAREAS, Astrodome Park , Hill Top Trailer Park and Buckley Trailer Park are now closed and the County Emergency Service would like the associated road names removed from the active road list; and

WHEREAS, the names of said roads to taken off the County list as Roads in the Town of Plattsburgh are; Astrodome Park Road, Buckley Road and Hill Top Court; therefore, be it;

RESOLVED , that the Town Board of the Town of Plattsburgh hereby approves the request from Fred Lavene to remove said road names; and be it further

Resolved, that a certified copy of this Resolution be given to the Clinton County Emergency Preparedness Office and the Clinton County Planning Board relative to the names of roads to be removed in the Town of Plattsburgh.

Motion: Gerard A. Renadette
Seconded by: Martin D. Mannix

Discussion: James C. Coffey questioned if there are still residents living in those areas. There are not.

Roll Call:	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Thomas E. Wood	Absent	
Sheila A. Brockway	x	
Gerard A. Renadette	x	
Martin D. Mannix	x	
Bernard C. Bassett	Absent	

WHEREAS, the transfer of Tyson Drown from the Highway Department to the Parks and Recreation Department created a vacancy for the position of MEO II in the Highway Department; and

WHEREAS, all applications for said position have been reviewed and interviews have been conducted by Fred Lavene, Highway Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, all employment verification and eligibility has been satisfied and the Highway Superintendent recommends that Milton LaBier be appointed to said position; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Plattsburgh does hereby authorize the hiring and appointment of Milton LaBier to the vacant position of MEO II at an hourly rate of \$15.57 step one of the 2009 pay scale as indicated by the current Teamsters Agreement and a copy of this Resolution be given to the Budget Officer and Civil Service for their final review and approval; and be it further

RESOLVED that Mr. LaBier commence employment with the Town of Plattsburgh on October 5, 2009.

Motion: Martin D. Mannix

Seconded By: Gerard A. Renadette

Discussion:

Roll Call:	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Thomas E. Wood		Absent
Sheila A. Brockway	x	
Gerard A. Renadette	x	
Martin D. Mannix	x	
Bernard C. Bassett		Absent

Carried: Gerard Renadette thinks that Mr. LaBier will be a great addition to the Town's workforce.

WHEREAS, The Town of Plattsburgh water districts intend to convert the existing manual meter reading water meters, now in use throughout the Town of Plattsburgh, to automatic meter reading water meters and, for reasons of efficiency and economy are desirous of standardizing all water meters throughout the Town of Plattsburgh; and

WHEREAS, said standardization will promote efficiency and save money because maintenance work on the same type of meter will require less labor time and economy will be promoted through the purchase of multiple identical water meters and through the use of repair parts common to all meters, as well as avoid the need for investment in additional shelf stock, and

WHEREAS, the standardization to Neptune Water Meters shall not eliminate the need for the Town of Plattsburgh or its water districts to solicit bids to obtain the lowest responsible bidders to supply the Neptune Water Meters, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has carefully studied and reviewed the recommendation of the Director of Water and Sewer Utilities, and the Laberge Group; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby authorize the standardization of all water meters purchased by the Town of Plattsburgh or its water districts to be water meters manufactured by the Neptune Technology Group, Inc.

Motion: Gerard A. Renadette
Seconded by: Martin D. Mannix

Discussion: James C. Coffey said that this is recognized by the state as a much more efficient way to do it.

Roll Call:	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Thomas E. Wood	x	
Sheila A. Brockway	x	
Gerard A. Renadette	x	
Martin D. Mannix	x	
Bernard C. Bassett		Absent

Resolution No. 09-297

Standardization of Grinder Pumps

WHEREAS, The Town of Plattsburgh currently has several grinder pump installations located within the existing sewer districts; and

WHEREAS, as systems expand there is likely to be a need to utilize more grinder pump installations; and

WHEREAS, standardization will promote efficiency and save money for the reason that maintenance work on the same type of pump and installation will require less labor time and economy will be promoted through the purchase of multiple identical grinder pumps and stations and through the use of repair parts common to all installations, as well as avoid the need for investment in additional shelf stock; and

WHEREAS, the standardization to Environment One grinder pumps and stations shall not eliminate the need for the Town of Plattsburgh or its sewer districts to solicit bids to obtain the lowest responsible bidders to supply the Environment One grinder pumps and stations; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has carefully studied and reviewed the recommendation of the Director of Water and Sewer Utilities, and the Laberge Group; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that this Town Board does hereby authorize the standardization of all grinder pumps and stations purchased by the Town of Plattsburgh or its sewer districts to be manufactured by Environment One.

Motion: Martin D. Mannix
Seconded by: Gerard A. Renadette

Discussion: Gerard Renadette questioned if all pumps that are not Environment One will be replaced. Dave Comfort answered that they will only be replaced as needed. Gerard Renadette is in favor of standardizing the pumps, he is not in favor of borrowing money or allotting money to replace pumps which are currently working just to have standardization at an earlier date. Dave Comfort said grinder pumps and parts will be purchased in bulk, in advance at a better price.

Roll Call:	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Thomas E. Wood	x	
Sheila A. Brockway	x	
Gerard A. Renadette	x	
Martin D. Mannix	x	
Bernard C. Bassett		Absent

Resolution No. 09 –298

Lead Agency and SEORA for Cumberland

Head Sewer District

WHEREAS, The Town Board is considering a project entitled Cumberland Head Sewer District; and,

WHEREAS the Town has requested to be Lead Agency for the purpose of environmental review under New York State SEQRA regulations; and

WHEREAS, through the coordinated review process no other involved agency has indicated a desire to be the Lead Agency for this project, now their fore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board declares themselves to be Lead Agent for the Cumberland Head Sewer District project

Motion: Martin D. Mannix
Seconded by: Gerard A. Renadette

Discussion:

Roll Call:	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Thomas E. Wood	x	
Sheila A. Brockway	x	
Gerard A. Renadette	x	
Martin D. Mannix	x	
Bernard C. Bassett		Absent

Carried:

Resolution No. 09-299

**Notice of Determination of Non-Significance
for Cumberland Head Sewer District**

WHEREAS,The Town Board is considering a project entitled Cumberland Head Sewer District; and

WHEREAS the Town has appointed itself, after coordination with involved agencies, the Lead Agency for the proposed Cumberland Head Sewer District project; and,

WHEREAS, a Full Environmental Assessment form has been completed for this unlisted action; and, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby determines that the proposed Cumberland Head Sewer District project will not have a significant adverse effect upon the environment and that the Notice of Determination of Non-Significance dated September 21, 2009 be hereby adopted.

**Motion: Gerard A. Renadette
Seconded by: Martin D. Mannix**

Discussion:

Roll Call:	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Thomas E. Wood	x	
Sheila A. Brockway	x	
Gerard A. Renadette	x	
Martin D. Mannix	x	
Bernard C. Bassett		Absent

Carried:

Resolution No. 09-300

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING ESTABLISHMENT OF THE
CUMBERLAND HEAD SEWER DISTRICT IN THE TOWN
OF PLATTSBURGH, COUNTY OF CLINTON, STATE OF
NEW YORK PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 12A OF THE
TOWN LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK**

WHEREAS, a map, plan and report relating to the establishment of Cumberland Head Sewer District in the Town of Plattsburgh, Clinton County, New York, prepared by Laberge Group, competent engineers, duly licensed by the State of New York in manner and detail as determined by the Town Board of Plattsburgh, has been filed with the Town Clerk of Plattsburgh, in accordance with the requirements of the Town Law; and.

WHEREAS, an order was adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Plattsburgh on August 17, 2009, reciting the filing of the map, plan and report, the boundaries of the proposed district, the improvements proposed, the estimated expense thereof the proposed method of financing, the fact that the map, plan and report are on file in the Town Clerk's office in said Town; for public inspection, and all other matters required by law to be stated; and

WHEREAS, the order set September 14, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. at the Cumberland Head Elementary School, 1187 Cumberland Head Road, Plattsburgh, New York as the date, time and place of the public meeting to consider the map, plan and report, and to hear all persons interested in the subject thereof, and to take action as required and authorized by law; and

WHEREAS, such order was published and posted as required by law; and

WHEREAS, a hearing on the matter was held by the Town Board on the 14th day of September, 2009, beginning at 6:30 p.m. and the matter being fully discussed and all interested persons having been duly heard; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that

- (a) That the notice of hearing was published and posted as required by law, and is otherwise sufficient;
- (b) That all property and property owners within the proposed district are benefited thereby;
- (c) That all the property and property owners benefited are included within the limits of the proposed district;
- (d) That it is in the public interest to establish the proposed sewer district; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, that the establishment of the sewer district, as set forth in the map, plan and report be approved, and

FURTHER RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, that the approval of the State Comptroller is not required pursuant to the provisions of §209(f) of the Town Law; and

FURTHER RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, that the requested improvement shall be constructed, and the necessary easements and lands be acquired, upon the required funds being made available and provided for, and such district shall be known and designated as Cumberland Head Sewer District in the Town of Plattsburgh, and shall be bounded and described as set forth in Schedule "A" annexed hereto, and it is further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution is subject to a permissive referendum as provided by §209-(e) of the Town Law.

Motion: Martin D. Mannix

Seconded by: Thomas E. Wood

Discussion: Thomas Wood read a statement voicing his support for the project. Sheila Brockway read a statement written by Bernie Bassett encouraging the people to vote for the project. In addition, his statement went on to explain that should this project not go through, he will continue to work to improve the conditions. Gerard Renadette read his own statement, citing many statistics, recognizing the board's responsibility to bring such opportunities to the public, with the ultimate decision resting in the hands of the Town's residents. Martin Mannix noted that there is a group of people who are concerned about this project being a financial burden to many of the residents of Cumberland Head, as well as a group concerned about the quality of the lake and the problem with septic systems. He believes that having a vote is the best course of action. Sheila Brockway included in her statement that she is trying to do the best that she can for the majority of the people. She wants the people to be able to vote and have their say. James Coffey said that every effort will be made to accommodate the residents in every way possible; there is no desire to force people to do something they do not wish to do.

Roll Call:	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Thomas E. Wood	x	
Sheila A. Brockway	x	
Gerard A. Renadette	x	
Martin D. Mannix	x	
Bernard C. Bassett	Absent	

Carried:

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLVED, that this Town Board meeting be adjourned at 7:12 PM.

Motion by: Thomas E. Wood
Seconded by: Gerard A. Renadette

Discussion:

Roll Call:	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Thomas E. Wood	x	
Sheila A. Brockway	x	
Gerard A. Renadette	x	
Martin D. Mannix	x	
Bernard C. Bassett	Absent	

Carried:

Motion to go into Executive Session
 Motion by:
 Seconded by:
 Time:

Motion to come out of Executive Session
 Motion by:
 Seconded by:
 Time:

Roll Call:

YES NO

Roll Call:

YES

NO

**Thomas E. Wood
Sheila A. Brockway
Gerard A. Renadette
Martin D. Mannix
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Carried:

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Respectfully Submitted,

Rickey J. Collins, Town Clerk