

AGENDA
August 10, 2010

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge to the Flag
4. Approval of previous minutes.
5. Communications received.
6. Privilege of the Floor
7. Reports:

Committee Reports

Assessors	Killeen
County and Town	Hargrave
Public Safety	Topper
Property	Arnold & Weed
Buildings & Grounds	Topper
Public Affairs	Arnold
Highway	Costanzo
Historian	Keeler

LIAISON REPORTS

Planning Board	Tillson
Youth	Topper
ZBA	Weed
Senior Citizens	Arnold



8. Budget Adjustments:

None

9. Vouchers and Reports:

Approval of General Abstract of Vouchers (A) Town Wide

Approval of General Abstract of Vouchers (B) Town Outside Village

Approval of Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DA) Town Wide

Approval of Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DB) Town Outside Village

Approval of Special Districts Abstract of Vouchers (SL)

Approval of Supervisors Report.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS

10. Set dates for budget workshops

11. Discuss charging \$40. for a permit so that the East Galway Cemetary Assoc. can put up a sign.

12. Other business.

13. Adjourn

REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 10, 2010
GALWAY TOWN HALL

Supervisor Hargrave called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. The following Town Board Members were present:

PRESENT: Supervisor George Hargrave Councilman Michael Tillson
 Councilman William Topper Councilman Fred Arnold

ABSENT: Councilman George Weed

OTHERS PRESENT: M. Kopper; P. Keeler, Historian; B. Ruman; C. Hynes; B. Bischoff; T. O'Brien, Dog Control Officer; M. Jazwinski; A. Seidel; D. Costanzo, Highway Superintendent M. DeFoe, Town Clerk.

Pledge to the Flag

A motion was made by Councilman Topper, seconded by Councilman Tillson to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2010 Regular Meeting & July 27, 2010 Special Meeting as submitted.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Communication – Town Clerk stated that Board Members received copies of the following correspondence: Galway Ambulance Corps., Inc. Financial Statement covering 5/26/10 thru 6/27/10 & 6/28/10 thru 7/25/10; Notification of Planning Federation Conference to be held September 26 thru 28th; Assessor's Report dated August 10th; Building Department Activity Report & Permit Report for June & July; NYS Department of State Building a Foundation for a Healthier, More Prosperous, More Efficient NY; Town of Milton Code of Ethics; NYS Local Retirement System requesting that members keep them informed of any address changes; July Dog Control Officer's Log; Insurance Certificate for Village of Galway's use of Town Hall facilities; Weekly news from NYS Comptroller dated 7/12-7/16; 7/19-7/23; 7/26-7/30 & 8/2-8/6/10; May & June Minutes of Saratoga County Planning Board; Notification from NYS that due to budget not being passed, all member item grant funds must be filed by 8/15/10 & Folder of correspondence from residents of Crooked Street was given to Town Board Members and Attorney Pozefsky for review. The following correspondence was also received: Notification from C & R Restaurant that they were renewing their liquor license with NYS; Executed contract with Saratoga County for Youth Week Program for 2010; Time Warner Cable notification dated 7/19 & 8/2/10 advising of possible changes in service/stations; Letter from Kristine LoCascio requesting a speed limit reduction on Crooked Street & plowing of Hart Road B which is a private road (Supervisor Hargrave will address request later in meeting); 2010 Highway Department Equipment & Tools Inventory along with Property Disposal; List of prices for ordering of dog tags & Letter to Town Clerk's from software provider advising that what ever changes will be required to current program due to State

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changes in dog licensing will be done by Williamson Law Book Company at no charge to Town.

Privilege of the Floor – **Beth Ruman, President Galway Ambulance Corp.** advised that she had given Board members a copy of their financial statement for July. Beth questioned when Town Board wanted Ambulance Corp. to come in regarding budget. Supervisor Hargrave stated that Town Board would be setting dates for budget workshops tonight. If the Town Board has any information they need for budget workshop, just let Beth know and she will provide it. Monday evening the 16th they will have a discussion meeting for the public here at Town Hall at 7:00 p.m. They will have another meeting at the West Charlton Fire Company on Thursday to address any of that areas concerns. Councilman Topper questioned how their fiscal year ran? Beth advised from January to January. **Carol Hynes** stated that she received the first fundraiser for Ambulance Corp since she has lived here. Carol advised that she has a Broadalbin mailing address and questioned where organizations get mailing list? Supervisor Hargrave stated for Town Hall purposes in mailing, the tax roll is where addresses come from. Carol stated that the reason for her attending tonight's meeting was that she had a letter regarding the last ZBA meeting in the folder the Town Clerk referenced. She questioned what the status was on her letter. Supervisor Hargrave stated that all information on allegations was given to Planning/Zoning Board Attorney Pozefsky to review and advise Town Board & ZBA of his finding and what if anything will need to be done. Supervisor Hargrave stated that Attorney has copies of all building permits; zoning variances and correspondence from neighbors to review. Supervisor Hargrave, for the record wanted to advise the public of the difference between a Supervisor in private sector vs. Supervisor in a township. A Supervisor in a township doesn't have the authority to fire; hire or direct any other board on how to run their meetings. The Town of Galway has a five member Town Board which together hires or fires someone. They do not micro manage any department. Each employee is hired and trained by the State with reference to their particular position. The Town Board then in turn relies upon these individuals to conduct themselves accordingly. The Zoning Board along with some neighbors made the Town Board aware of their concerns. The Town Board acted immediately and had a special meeting with the Attorney on the 27th; at that time the Attorney was made aware of situation and hired to investigate and determine what if anything was needed to rectify situation. Once the Attorney advises Town Board of his findings, resident's letters will be addressed. **Brad Bischoff** would like to see Town speed up the process on addressing this issue. It appears that this favoritism has been going on in the building office for year and need to be addressed swiftly.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: **Assessor** – Nothing in addition to written report.

Historian – Phyllis Keeler advised that the Historian's office continues to organize family history. They will have a family here on August 24th from California & Vermont to review family history from the 1940's. **Public Safety** – No Report. **Property** – Councilman Arnold stated that the road side clean up was this past weekend. Highway Department has been picking up bags. If any are missed, please contact Highway Department for their pickup. **Buildings & Grounds** – Councilman Topper stated that

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town has purchased their own mower for ball field. Highway Department has mowed fields two times at this point. Councilman Topper stated that he is moving along on steel for pavilion; may be able to get steel into the ground this fall. Youth Commission was wondering if someone could put a coat of paint on shed. Superintendent, Costanzo stated that Youth Commission stated that they would paint building if highway department refurbished building. Highway Department will pick up a couple gallons of paint and spray building. Supervisor Hargrave asked if drain in front of building could be raised up. Highway Department will put a riser on drain. **Public Affairs** – No Report.

Highway - Superintendent, Costanzo stated for July the highway department continued reconstruction of north end of Greens Corners Road; paved south side of Greens Corners Road on July 8th; mowed R.O.W.'s; purchased 18' Jacobsen HR-15 lawn mower & mowed ball field. For August highway department expects to pave Greens Corners Road on August 24th & 25th; finish Greens Corners Road; mow R.O.W.'s & pave with Providence & Charlton. **County & Town** – Supervisor Hargrave stated that county/town will begin work on 2011 budget. Negotiations need to begin with highway department so figures can be set up with budget. Sales tax seems to be up this past quarter.

LIAISON REPORTS: Planning Board – Councilman Tillson stated that Catherine Duncan received approval for a 2-lot subdivision for her property located on Greens Corners Road. **Youth** - Councilman Topper stated that Youth Commission is putting the final closing on budget for Family Fun Day. Summer Recreation program has ended, state inspector came for his inspection the last week of program. Hopefully paperwork is in order this year and we receive no fines. Swim program was a big success at Parkside YMCA. They targeted non-swimmers for lessons this year. Rifle team has been winning numerous metals. **ZBA** – No Report. **Senior Citizens** – No Report. Supervisor Hargrave stated that he attended the meeting for seniors when the representative from the state was there regarding scams. This was a very interesting presentation.

Councilman Topper made a motion, seconded by Councilman Tillson to approve the General Abstract of Vouchers (A) dated 7/14/10 thru 8/10/10 for a total of \$11,695.19.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilman Topper to approve the General Abstract of Vouchers (B) dated 7/14/10 thru 8/10/10 for a total of \$10,383.84.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman Tillson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Arnold to approve the Highway Abstract of Voucher (DA) dated 7/14/10 thru 8/4/10 for a total of \$5,011.96.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman Topper made a motion, seconded by Councilman Tillson to approve the Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DB) dated 7/14/10 thru 8/4/10 for a total of \$67,041.84.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman Tillson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Topper to approve the Special Lighting District Abstract of Vouchers (SL) dated 7/14/10 thru 8/4/10 for a total

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of \$102.15.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilman Tillson to approve the Supervisor's Operating Statement for the period ending 7/31/10.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION # 32-2010 – Set dates for budget workshops. On a motion of Councilman Tillson, seconded by Councilman Topper the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES – 4 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board set the following dates for budget workshops, 9/7/10; 9/22/10 & 10/5/10 at 7:30 p.m.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION # 33-2010 – Change date for September meeting due to Primary Election. On a motion of Councilman Tillson, seconded by Councilman Arnold the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES – 4 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board change the date for the September Town Board Meeting from Tuesday, September 14, 2010 to Wednesday, September 15, 2010 due to the Primary Election.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION # 34-2010 – Waive building permit fee for sign at East Galway Cemetery. On a motion of Councilman Tillson, seconded by Councilman Topper the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES – 4 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board waive the building permit fee of \$40.00 for a sign at the East Galway Cemetery.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION # 35-2010 – Speed limit reduction request for Crooked Street. On a motion of Councilman Topper, seconded by Councilman Arnold the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES – 4 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board request a speed limit reduction for Crooked Street between Perth Road and Route 29.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Town Supervisor will write letter to resident regarding request to plow private road.

RESOLUTION # 36-2010 – Authorization for Town Clerk to spend up to \$1,000 on dog licensing materials. Town Clerk advised that the recently passed state budget has removed NYS Agriculture & Markets from the licensing of dogs in NYS. Townships will now be responsible totally for dog licensing. Went into discussion regarding dog licensing situation with state. Town Clerks are not sure on total cost for this transfer of responsibilities. Software company has informed us that there will be no increases in fees for any changes needed to program due to change from state. Not sure if there will still be a central data base for dog control officers. Town will have to do resolution within the

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next few months regarding fees, animal shelter participation and funding. On a motion of Councilman Tillson, seconded by Councilman Topper the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES - 4 NAYS - 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board allow the Town Clerk to spend up to \$1,000 to be charged to A1410.4 Town Clerk for dog licensing materials.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman Topper made a motion, seconded by Councilman Tillson to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,



Margaret L. DeFoe