**JANUARY 4, 2012**

An organizational meeting for the Madrid Town Board was called to order at 6:08 pm in the Town Office.

Members present: Joseph Finnegan, Tim Thisse, David Fisher, Kevin Finnegan, Bill Barkley – Highway Supt. and Judy Hargrave – Town Clerk. Absent: Tony Cooper

Also present: Alex Smith.

No public comment.

Communications: The County Health Department sent a letter to see if the Town was interested in sponsoring a rabies clinic. The Supervisor replied that the Town is interested in sponsoring a clinic.

The Supervisor received an engagement letter from Amy Moulton for accounting and payroll services. He will talk to Amy about adding some of Linda’s current duties.

Received a letter from Bridge Port Vet Clinic regarding the agreement for dog pound/shelter services for 2012. The fees are the same as they were for 2011 which was $15 per day for boarding and keep and $50 for euthanasia and burial services. David Fisher made a motion, second by Kevin Finnegan to sign the agreement with Bridge Port Vet Clinic for 2012. All were in favor.

The Supervisor reported that in order to request payment for the CDBG Grant he needs to submit a copy of the final plan which he will contact the Leberge Group about.

**Bill Barkley:** David Fisher made a motion, second by Tim Thisse to sign the agreement to spend highway funds. General repairs for $175,000.00 and $127,800 for improvements/paving. All were in favor.

Bill stated that Barbara Day had inquired about getting water to her house on School Street. Bill figured a rough estimate to run water to her house would cost $8,000.00. He will contact her regarding this matter.

**Old Business:** No update on the sewer project.

**New Business:**

**New Business: Appointments for 2012:**

David Fisher made a motion, second by Tim Thisse to set mileage at $.55 per mile for use of personal vehicles for official town business during 2012. All were in favor.

Tim Thisse made a motion, second by Kevin Finnegan to designate the Ogdensburg Journal as official newspapers for the Town of Madrid for 2012. All were in favor.

Kevin Finnegan made a resolution, second by David Fisher to designate the Madrid Community Bank NA as the depository for town money. All were in favor.

Tim Thisse made a motion, second by David Fisher to hold the regular town board meetings on the second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm. All were in favor.

Tim Thisse made a motion, second by Kevin Finnegan to appoint Sara Schulz and Carrie Rutherford as co-town historians for 2012 with a salary of $175 each. All were in favor.

David Fisher made a motion, second by Tim Thisse to authorize membership in the NYS Association of Towns with Joe Finnegan as the delegate and Tony Cooper as the alternate delegate. All were in favor.

Kevin Finnegan made a motion, second by Tim Thisse to authorize the Supervisor to use the short form for the Supervisor’s annual report to the newspaper. All were in favor.

The Supervisor appointed himself budget officer for 2012.

Tim Thisse made a motion, second by David Fisher to set the Senior Citizen Exemption at $20,000 with a sliding scale to 20%. All were in favor.

Tim Thisse made a motion, second by Kevin Finnegan to appoint James Pipher Sr. as Dog Control Officer with a salary of $4,100.00. All were in favor.

Kevin Finnegan made a motion, second by Tim Thisse to appoint Marcia LeMay, Esq. As Town Attorney for 2012 with a salary of $3,225.00. All were in favor.

Tim Thisse made a motion, second by Kevin Finnegan to appoint Judy Hargrave as Registrar of Vital Statistics with a salary of $1,400.00. All were in favor.

Tim Thisse made a motion, second by Kevin Finnegan to appoint Theresa Holmes as water and sewer billing clerk with a salary of $2,200 and Judy Hargrave as the collector also for $2,200.00. All were in favor.

Tim Thisse made a motion, second by David Fisher to appoint Jeffrey Gilson as Code Enforcement Officer for 2012 with a compensation of $9,270.00. All were in favor.

David Fisher made a motion, second by Tim Thisse to appoint William Barkley as Water and Sewer Superintendent with a compensation of $5,000.00. All were in favor.

Tim Thisse made a motion, second by Kevin Finnegan to appoint Thomas Rutherford as Deputy Water and Sewer Superintendent with a compensation of $500.00. All were in favor.

David Fisher made a motion, second by Kevin Finnegan to appoint Judy Hargrave as Court Clerk with a salary of $10,867.00. All were in favor.

Kevin Finnegan made a resolution, second by David Fisher to allow the Highway Superintendent to exchange work with other highway departments when feasible in a fair and equitable manner and to authorize the Supervisor to sign inter-municipal agreements to that effect. All were in favor.

David Fisher made a resolution, second by Kevin Finnegan to limit the Highway Superintendent to expenditures of $2,999.99 without Town Board approval. All were in favor.

Tim Thisse made a motion, second by Kevin Finnegan to allow the Highway Supt., the Deputy Highway Supt., the Water & Sewer Supt., Deputy Water & Sewer Supt., Code Enforcement Officer and the Water and Sewer Plant Operator to attend training and conferences. All were in favor.

Kevin Finnegan made a motion, second by David Fisher to allow the Supervisor to sign a contract for the provision of emergency medical services for the Town of Madrid with the Madrid Rescue Squad Inc. in the amount of $20,000.00. All were in favor.

David Fisher made a motion, second by Tim Thisse to pay the following Town Officials Salaries according to the 2012 budget: All were in favor.

Supervisor $10,600.00

Town Clerk $24,769.00

Town Justice $15,897.00

Town Council (each) $ 2,500.00

Highway Supt $39,270.00

Registrar of Vital Statistics $ 1,400.00

Historian (each) $ 175.00

Town Attorney $ 3,225.00

Assessor $13,500.00

The Supervisor appointed David Fisher as Deputy Town Supervisor.

David Fisher made a motion, second by Tim Thisse to appoint Linda Newtown as Deputy Town Clerk at an hourly rate of $9.50. All were in favor.

The Highway Supt. appointed Thomas Rutherford as Deputy Highway Supt.

The Supervisor appointed the following committees:

Planning Board: Tony Cooper and Kevin Finnegan

Insurance: Joe Finnegan and David Fisher

Highway: Tony Cooper and Joe Finnegan

Recreation: Tim Thisse and Kevin Finnegan

Personnel: David Fisher and Joe Finnegan

Water and Sewer: Tim Thisse and Joe Finnegan

Library: Kevin Finnegan and Tony Cooper

Fire and Rescue: Tim Thisse and David Fisher

Dam Rehabilitation: Tim Thisse, Kevin Finnegan and Alan Finnegan

Municipal Parks: David Fisher and Tony Cooper

Kevin Finnegan made a motion, second by David Fisher to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2011 meeting. All were in favor.

There will be a meeting on January 25, 2012 at 6 pm to pay the bills and any other business brought before the board.

Kevin Finnegan made a motion, second by Tim Thisse to adjourn at 6:42 pm.

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Judy Hargrave, Town Clerk