

Minutes of the Town Board Meeting held by the LaFayette Town Board on April 28, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the LaFayette Commons Office Building at 2577 Route 11 in the Town of LaFayette

Present: Gregory Scammell, Supervisor
David Knapp, Councilor
Thomas Bailey, Councilor
Adrian Shute, Councilor
William McConnell, Councilor

Recording Secretary: Mary Jo Kelly, Town Clerk

Others Present: Kevin Gilligan, Town Attorney
Leon Cook, Highway Superintendent
Tom Chartrand, Bookkeeper
Ralph Lamson, CEO
Marshall Taylor, Assessor
Mary Doster
Jim Nakas, Planning Board Chair.
Jim Moore, DCO
Doug Scholes, Dep. DCO

1. Dep. Supervisor Paul called the Meeting to Order at 6:34 p.m.
2. The Town Clerk took the Roll. All present.
3. Pledge to our U. S. Flag led by Town Councilor Adrian Shute.
4. **Councilor's Shute moved and Knapp seconded the motion to accept prior Meeting Minutes of April 14, 2008, as submitted by the Town Clerk. Motion passed.**
4. **PUBLIC HEARINGS** (MS4 – May 12th, 7PM)
5. **COMMUNICATIONS.**

A. **Residents.** (Please sign in and give your name before you speak).

Jim Nakas wished to discuss the Zumpano application. When Mr. Zumpano came to the Planning Board they actually enjoyed working with him. He was approved for a certain set of plans and now it seems he is coming to the Town Board for a zone change. If that were granted, he doesn't think there would be a time for public comment on the new plans because when the public hearing was held by the Planning Board it was for a completely different approach for a single family unit per lot. His concern is if this were to go forward, there would be no public response or comments on the completely changed plans. He knows Shawn Adam discussed this at the last Town Board Meeting.

Councilor Knapp asked Kevin Gilligan if at some point this wouldn't go back to the Planning Board.

Kevin Gilligan said yes and there would be at least one public hearing.

Councilor Shute thinks the Board was discussing something other than a zone change by the end of the discussion on this.

Kevin Gilligan isn't sure what Mr. Zumpano is going to apply for. He talked to him after the meeting and he will be coming forward with some sort of proposal.

Councilor Bailey said the indication he got was that Mr. Zumpano would withdraw the previous application because of the proposal to change the single family dwellings to duplexes. His impression was that Mr. Zumpano is going to go back to square one and start over again.

Jim Nakas asked what Mr. Zumpano's options would be besides going back to the Planning Board with new plans.

Kevin Gilligan said at this point he applied for a zone change for a Multi-Family District which really doesn't apply to what he is proposing. The Board discussed Cluster Zoning. If he is changing any lot lines, he will need to go back to the Planning Board for a resubdivision as well.

Jim Nakas said it would seem to him Mr. Zumpano would have to go back to the Planning Board with a whole new set of plans. Could he come back to the Planning Board with a new set of plans which don't comply with the current zoning of the property?

Kevin Gilligan said normally an application is made for Cluster Zoning to the Town Board who would refer it to the Planning Board for review. The Planning Board would review it and make a recommendation to the Town Board. If it's approved, the Town Board would approve the local law to Cluster Development the one area of the property. The density of the land must stay the same. He can move the development to a certain area of the property but the density must stay the same.

Councilor Shute thinks Mr. Zumpano was originally hoping to sell the lots for single family dwellings but the market isn't there. He didn't get the impression Mr. Zumpano was trying to do anything underhanded.

Supervisor Scammell said Mr. Zumpano has a call into him but he hasn't called him back yet.

B. Onondaga County Health Department: 2008 Rabies Vaccination Clinics.

Supervisor Scammell noted the closest Clinic is at Tully on July 7th.

C. Cultural Resources Council: Senator DeFrancisco's The Young Artist Development Program.

D. NYS Canal Corporation: new hours of operation for 2008 Season.

E. NYS PSC: 315 Area Code proceedings.

F. NYS Senator John DeFrancisco: AIM help to ease property tax burden.

G. NYS Senator John DeFrancisco: CHIPS funding for local roads & bridges.

Supervisor Scammell recommended writing a letter to Senator DeFrancisco thanking him for the CHIPS funding. He also thanked Leon Cook for the CHIPS funding application he submitted.

Councilor Knapp moved and Bailey seconded the Motion authorizing the Supervisor to send a letter of thanks to Senator DeFrancisco for the CHIPS funding. Motion passed unanimously.

H. Onondaga County Department of Emergency Communications: Control stations.

Councilor Bailey said the letter from Chuck Gabriel said he needs the call signs from the base station at the shop. He wants it by Wednesday. Councilor Bailey said he can stop by the Highway Dept. and get the information tomorrow.

Leon Cook said the call letters are WNP900.

Councilor Bailey asked if he knew the make and model of the box. He will stop by tomorrow for this information.

I. PERMA: Proxy for annual member meeting.

J. NYS Office of Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation: Land & Water Conservation Fund.

K. NYS PSC: 315 Area Code Public Hearings.

L. Onondaga County Community Development Division: Cooperation Agreement-automatic renewal.

M Tax Collector Teresa Mech: resignation.

Councilor's Knapp moved and Shute seconded the motion to regretfully accept Teresa Mech's letter of resignation from the Tax Collector position. Motion passed unanimously.

A question regarding the resignation date was asked.

Supervisor Scammell said April 15th.

Councilor Knapp said unfortunately Teresa's schedule made it very difficult to do what is needed to be done with this job. He thanked her for taking this step. He and Mary Jo discussed the appointment for this position and Mary Doster's name came up. When her name came up, his thinking about this appointment was done. From a customer service standpoint we all know her ability from being an Assessor and Assessor Clerk. With that said, **Councilor Knapp moved to appoint Mary Doster to fill the vacancy of Tax Collector with Teresa Mech's resignation. Councilor Bailey seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.**

Councilor Knapp noted Mary Doster will have to run on the ballot in November.

Supervisor Scammell thanked Mary for her interest in this position along with the many other positions she has held for the town in the past.

N. SCHC: April 14th meeting.

N. Other.

Councilor Knapp left the Meeting.

6. SPECIAL REPORTS. None.

7. REPORTS.

A. DEPARTMENTAL (4th Monday).

1. Assessors: Marshall Taylor & Shawn Adam and vacant.

- a) **Cold War veteran's exemptions.**
- b) **Condominium assessments.**

2. Building & Zoning Code Enforcement: Ralph Lamson & Jack Sutton.

Ralph Lamson said he issued 5 Building Permits in March. They consisted of pools, garage, porch and a new house on Smokey Hollow.

Councilor Shute noted the horse appears to be gone on Webb Rd.

Doug Scholes said they did get rid of it and they are going to take the fence down now.

a. 2386 Route 11A, Springhill Construction – Illegal Home Occupation/Business in Agricultural-Residential. Court.

Supervisor Scammell asked about Sheila Kelley.

Ralph said the office has been moved. There was some construction type stuff that was more than normal to have so he advised her that she must get rid of it. The office equipment is all out. She has moved the stuff to the old troopers barracks and she is leasing space from Mr. Smith.

b. Route 11 – graffiti and abandoned vehicles (spring cleanup).

Ralph said Nick Gazotis said he was going to get the last vehicle out of there and would be fixing up the building. He will talk to him about this.

c. Certification paperwork completed (RL)?

d. Building Code revisions.

Kevin Gilligan said this was catching up with New York State Building Code. He is working on a draft for this. The state changed the regulations and required the municipalities to catch up with them.

e. 2190 Tully Farms Road – demolition.

Ralph advised this can be removed from the agenda. He is all set with this.

f. 3448 Route 11 – debris. Court.

Ralph advised he hasn't heard anything on this.

g. 2617 Route 11 – debris. Court.

Ralph said Mr. Dyer has gotten rid of his vehicle and some of his stuff. He has at least been in contact with Ralph and is hopefully moving in the right direction.

h. 3231 Webb Road. House in disrepair.

Councilor Shute asked about the Ventura house.

Ralph Lamson said they were in court and said they were going to fix the garage door, etc. in a couple of weeks and they didn't do it so they have been sent a notice to come back into court.

Councilor Shute said there's another residence across from Bentley's.

Ralph Lamson said regarding the fire on Cook Farm Road, he inspected the place and sent the gentleman a letter about his operation. There was a lot of wood stacked up there.

Councilor Bailey asked if Ralph knew how the fire started.

Ralph said no. He talked to the chief from the Jamesville Fire Dept. who said they had a campfire but it wasn't really near the wood but it could have been the cause.

Supervisor Scammell said there was apparently insufficient pressure to draw water from the hydrants for this.

Councilor Shute said someone from OCWA said they tested it and it appeared to be O.K.

Councilor McConnell asked if one of the original responders was LaFayette and if that was who advised the insufficient pressure.

Councilor Bailey said he generated the email on this. He saw John Harper down there making a run to Timothy Dr. for water for the tanker. John Harper advised the pressure was terrible from the new hydrants.

Councilor Shute said the email he received from OCWA said it wasn't the pressure, it was the flow that they were complaining about.

Supervisor Scammell would assume they are standard hydrants.

Ralph Lamson said the hydrants are standard. It depends on the size of the main.

Supervisor Scammell said maybe he will hear back from John Dunkle on this.

Leon Cook said there were 4 hydrants close in that area that they could draw from. He asked why they weren't using the hydrant by the driveway and was advised it was too close.

Ralph Lamson said the main thing is the size of your main that fees the hose for the fire truck.

Kevin Gilligan thinks it 8".

Ralph Lamson said if they are 8" mains, they should be getting plenty of water. You don't generally need to prime if you are using a hydrant.

Councilor Bailey said Jamesville was the first responder and then it turned into a mutual aid calling for tankers including air where a helicopter dropped a lot of buckets of water on the fire.

3. Dog Control: Jim Moore & Doug Scholes.

a. Dog enumeration – review, town-wide notice in newsletter.

b. Quarantine law - draft.

Jim Moore said to date he hasn't received a huge amount of replies on the leash law. He has received 13 responses for the enumeration amounting to 20 dogs which were all checked by Mary Jo and are current with their licenses. On the leash law comments, he has exactly 30 which are all positive. The comments were responsive to certain areas and some to certain dogs. They plan on running this again in the next quarterly newspaper. Hopefully we will get some more input.

Supervisor Scammell noted Jim is looking for legal representation to go to court. Sam Young is no longer with the firm.

Jim Moore said he just wanted to be sure he was clear to do this.

Supervisor Scammell said he is fine with it.

Jim Moore said he needs an interpretation of law first. He needs someone to look at it. If we need representation then, absolutely. This is a case that is bordering a conviction.

Kevin Gilligan said Jean Marie Westlake has taken over Sam Young's enforcement matters.

Mary Jo thanked Jim Moore for getting the 5 stray dogs out of the loft at her dad's barn.

Jim Moore said when he covered for Pompey and Tully it went very well. He had one call that was unfounded.

4. Highway Superintendent: Leon Cook.

- **4. 25 & 26 – Earth Day.**
- **Building committee: rough estimate for new Highway Garage (subject to permissive referendum).**

Leon Cook said they have been cleaning shoulders and ditches. They have 4 miles done. They put in two new 18" pipes on Commune Road. One is a new driveway and the other is a replacement. They put a 12" driveway pipe in on Sugar Bush. A new house is going to be built there. On Commune Road, Doug Drumm owns the property and had a driveway put in. He's trying to sell the property.

Leon wanted to discuss replacing the 88 GMC. It's got a lot of miles on it. The gas tank is about ready to fall onto the road. The transmission isn't shifting up. You can only go 25 mph with it. They put money into it to get it to pass inspection lat year. It needs to be replaced. He got the following 4 quotes:

Jack McNerny 2001 half-ton with 43,000 miles on it and no hitch which they have to have. He had to make the deal that Jack McNerny would put a hitch on it. This is the lowest quote at \$9,800.

E. Syracuse Chevrolet 2003 ½ ton with 67,000 miles on it for \$9,900.

Dave Pirro 2006 with 29,000 miles on it for \$18,966.

Dave Pirro 2005 with 35,000 miles on it for \$19,966.

Leon said he has the quotes and everything is all written up.

Tom Chartrand said there is \$45,781 in the Reserve Account. This would be subject to a Permissive Referendum. This money could be moved to the new equipment line by doing a budgetary transfer. That would be the best way to make the funds available immediately for Leon.

Councilor McConnell asked if the truck is ¾ ton.

Leon Cook said they are all ½ ton trucks. They don't need a ¾ ton and they don't need a 4-wheel drive.

Councilor McConnell agreed with the need to replace this truck.

Councilor Bailey asked if there is a sense of urgency.

Leon Cook said they have to get it soon.

Councilor Bailey said he might even like the idea of buying a new one if Leon could hold off until budget time.

Leon Cook said he doesn't want to wait that long.

Kevin Gilligan said the total price must stay below \$10,000 to keep from having it go to bid.

Leon Cook said it's under \$10,000.

Councilor's McConnell moved and Bailey seconded the motion to transfer \$9,900 from DA9950.9 to DA5130.2. Motion passed unanimously. Motion passed 4-0.

Leon Cook said in 2006 our insurance company wrote us up for our parks on the swings and children's rides. Our Safety Committee made a deal with the insurance company that we would do part of it one year and part of it another year. Regina Reinschmidt, Dave Baker and Tom Rezsnyak staked out where they want the swing set that was taken from Stafford Park put at the Beach. They also want the swing set moved from the back of the Beach next to where it ends off with the parking. They want the swing set moved so the lifeguards can keep an eye on the kids when they are playing on it. It happens to be a wet spot. They will have to put some pipe in. It's going to take 200' of 4" pipe. They will put the swing sets end to end and code says you have to put in stone. It would come to 130 ton of #1 stone. Stone is \$715/ton which comes to \$920.50. Drainage pipe would cost \$137.82 bringing the total to \$1,058.32. He asked Regina if they had money in their budget to do this and she said no. He said the Highway Budget is going to be short. If the Town Board wants it done, is there money to do it? This would have to be done before they open the Beach.

Councilor Shute said the swings at Stafford were not in that great a condition when they took them down. There's nothing that says we have to have a swing at the Beach. We are still waiting to hear back from Community Development which might have some money for this.

Councilor McConnell asked what the Recreation Director wants.

Leon Cook said she wants the swings up.

Tom Chartrand said there is the Youth Service Funding. He thinks we get \$800-\$900 back from the state for this.

Councilor McConnell said if the swing from Stafford Park isn't serviceable, he thinks we should make the call. If it's serviceable, let's try to get it in before the Beach opens.

Leon Cook said Tom Rezsnyak thinks it's in good enough shape to put it in.

Councilor McConnell asked what he has to border it with.

Leon Cook said he just has to box it out. You don't want to be putting timbers around it. The stone has to be 12" thick. He has to level it.

Councilor McConnell asked how many days of work this will be for the Highway Dept.

Leon Cook said he's hoping to be able to do it in one day.

Councilor Bailey asked if putting the swing there would have an impact on insurance.

Leon Cook said they already have a swing there now. This shouldn't have any greater impact on insurance.

Councilor Shute said this was started because the insurance company said we had to put the stone or bark in.

Councilor's McConnell moved and Bailey seconded the motion to authorize spending \$1,058.32 from the Youth Service Account A7320.4 for the swings to be installed at the Beach. Motion passed 4-0.

Councilor McConnell said Tom Dadey is present to discuss the insurance on the town tower on Groth road.

Tom Dadey said when you go through the insurance review, you look at what you have coverage for and what you don't. The town tower has never been on the policy. There's a property and liability issue. Under the liability issue, the town is protected. If the tower fell over and damaged some property or an individual, the town would have coverage. Under the property issue, if something happens to the tower, the town is responsible for it. If that tower were to collapse because of wind, ice, snow, etc., the town doesn't have coverage to rebuild it. To have this coverage it would cost another \$1,500. Basically the value of the tower is \$200,000. The town has the responsibility to the equipment on the tower since you own the tower. You would be responsible to get the tower back up. You are covered for liability but not for property loss.

Councilor Shute said the AT&T stuff would be under the liability policy. He confirmed if the carrier equipment got broke because the tower fell over, it would be covered.

Tom Dadey said no. If it injured someone, you would have coverage. You don't have coverage for the restructuring for the services.

Supervisor Scammell said if the tower fell over and the carrier's equipment is lost, do we have a liability there?

Kevin Gilligan doesn't think so but you would loose the revenues until service could be restored. The alternative is to decide not to buy insurance and you end up doing some kind of bonding for \$200,000 to replace the tower.

Supervisor Scammell said the \$200,000 was several years ago. He would not want to have to be put in the position to come up with this money immediately.

Tom Dadey said he is just making the town aware of the issue. It's up to the Town Board to make the decision to whether they want it or not.

Councilor McConnell noted Supervisor Scammell is the one who found the tower was missing from the insurance policy.

Councilor Shute thinks the point of all of this was to make sure we are covered for what we should be covered for. He agrees with Supervisor Scammell that he wouldn't want to risk having to scramble to pay for something like this. He thinks we should cover it.

Councilor's Shute moved and McConnell seconded the motion to have the tower included in the town's insurance coverage in the amount of \$1,500. Motion passed 4-0.

5. Justice Court: Malcolm Knapp & Maureen Perrin.

- **New home computer required by NYS.**

Supervisor Scammell said Malcolm Knapp advised they have met the state standards for recording all court proceedings and will need an additional computer for this.

Tom Chartrand said Justice didn't budget anything in their equipment line for this. He recommended transferring \$1,000 from the Contractual to the Equipment line for the laptop.

Councilor's Bailey moved and McConnell seconded the motion to transfer \$1,000 from Account A1110.2 to Account A1110.4 for the laptop computer. Motion passed 4-0.

- **Written Report for March.**

A written report was submitted.

6. Library Director: Scott Kushner.

- **Written Report/Board Minutes for March.**

A written report and Minutes were submitted.

7. Recreation Director: Regina Reinschmidt.

8. Tax Collector: Teresa Mech.

9. Town Clerk: Mary Jo Kelly.

- **Written Report March.**

A written report was submitted.

Mary Jo said she had a complaint from someone who had reserved the park. There was trash in the trash can and trash in some burn barrels. She doesn't know where the trash cans/barrels came from.

Leon Cook said he had signs up that said Carry-In and Carry-Out. The signs all came up missing. He had an Optimist Member call and request garbage cans and recyclable bins for the park. He advised the person that the town doesn't want trash cans and recyclable bins down there. Leon has ordered 6 signs for the park and they put 5 of them up today. He has one left over if we have to replace one. He thinks Supervisor Scammell has to talk to the head of the Optimist Club so they realize what the problem is.

Councilor Shute said he will take care of this.

Leon Cook thinks the burn barrels are left over from the Winterfest. The garbage cans shouldn't be there either.

Councilor Shute knows they were taken back behind the True Value. He will get this taken care of too. When the dumpsters are put in, you would like to think they would help take care of some of this problem.

Jim Moore didn't see a big problem with this last year when the dumpsters were there.

Councilor's Shute moved and McConnell seconded the motion to have the Port-a-Johns serviced at the ballfields by the LaFayette in from May 1, 2008 through October 31, 2008. Motion passed 4-0.

10. Town Supervisor: Greg Scammell.

- **Written Report March.**

A written report was submitted.

B. COMMITTEE (2nd Monday).

1) Agriculture (Dave Knapp & Mary Jo Kelly).

- a. Ag district public hearing – July 17th, '08 @ 7PM, main meeting room.

Mary Jo said she and Ralph Lamson, Steve Beggs and Dave Knapp met with Bobbi Harris regarding the Ag. Districts. She showed them a map which looked good. They advised her one property in LaFayette must be added to the map.

b. Farmland Protection query.

Mary Jo said Bobbi Harris advised Mr. Weiss has shown interest in this but has not committed to it yet. It stays with the land forever.

2) **Communications & Technology** (Mike Forte, Pat Keefe, Mary Jo Kelly, Marshall Taylor, & Greg Scammell).

- a. **New town website – functional requirements in process, new email addresses, conversion & file transfers.**
- b. **Senior website being designed by S.U. student Gail Burleigh.**
- c. **Evaluate communications line (MT).**

Marshall Taylor asked if the Board would like him to wait on this until Councilor Knapp is present.

The Board was in agreement with this.

3) **Economic Development** (Bill McConnell & Greg Scammell).

- a. **Thoma/Comprehensive Plan proposal.**
- b. **Water survey – review.**

4) **Emergency Response** (Tom Bailey, Bill McConnell & “Pete” Paul).

- a. **Onondaga County Department of Communications - OCICS.**

Councilor Bailey said he will get back to Charlie Gabriel with the information he needs from the Highway Dept. tomorrow. They are going to be encouraging towns to take on the cost for certain replacement equipment. This can be discussed at budget time. They are looking for the towns to acquire the base stations. They should be getting more information on this in the fall.

- b. **NIMS training** (TB members, etc.).

- c. **NIMS contact information** (05.07.07 letter)

Councilor Bailey said there's a NIMS ICS300 Classroom training. There's nothing scheduled locally yet. It's a 3 day course. He will wait for County Emergency Management to schedule one.

Supervisor Scammell asked if Councilor's Shute or McConnell had a chance to do the online training for NIMS.

Councilor Shute said he had not.

Councilor Bailey said they are not requiring the whole Board to take this training

- 1. **Local resolution similar to county's needed?**
- 2. **Jurisdiction contact sheet**
- 3. **CNY Business Journal – “Legal, HR considerations before a pandemic flu strikes.”**

- d. **Mass shelter response.**

5) **Employee Policies & Benefits** (Mary Jo Kelly, Adrian Shute & Mary Doster).

6) **Environmental & Conservation Advisory Board** (Rainer Brocke, Barb Ferro, Knowlton Foote, Eileen Gilligan, Nancy Mueller & Mark Distler).

- **LaFayette Hotel.**

Councilor McConnell said he talked to Mike Amidon the other day. He agreed with Councilor McConnell to write the New York State Department of Transportation asking for a decision on the status of the corner building.

- 7) **Highway** (“Pete” Paul, Leon Cook, Dave Knapp, Sumner Palmer & John Greeley).
- 8) **Insurance** (Adrian Shute & Bill McConnell).
 - **Groth Road Communications Tower.**
- 9) **Physical Plant** (Herb Salladin, Dave Knapp & Bill McConnell).
 - a) **Next heat pump replacement and programmable thermostats.**
 - b) **Fire & smoke alarms at Town Offices (1st & 2nd floor) & Community Center. Code requirements** (Rick Storrier/DK).
 - c) **Town offices - Loose clapboards – estimate needed** (DK).
 - d) **Community Center basement flooding – masonry pointing, window blocking, backfilling and trenching.**
- 10) **Recreation & Youth** (Dave Knapp, Adrian Shute & Regina Reinschmidt).
 - a) Marion Bailey Park.
 1. **Short term.**
 - **Park signs “children playing” - 76%** (location needed).
 - **Basketball court improvement** (new nets, paint backboards, straighten basketball pole, remove old volleyball pole) - 73%. (price needed for grant)
 2. **Long term.**
 - **Resurface basketball court.**
 - **Add fencing (north side) to protect children from ditch & road.**
 - **Speed limit reduction to 30 mph** (resident petition)
 - **Traffic flow control** (light, sign, 4way stop @ 11A & Rowland).
 - **Parking area from 11A** (Leon Cook).

Councilor McConnell said he talked with Dave Anthony regarding Bailey Park. They would really like the town to take on the basketball courts. They would like new poles and to resurface the court. He will look into this.

Supervisor Scammell asked Leon Cook if he had looked into the signs “Children Playing” along Route 11A.

Leon Cook thought there were signs down there.

Councilor McConnell said they don't think there are enough of them. He thinks they are looking for a couple more on Rowland and a couple more on Route 11A.

Leon Cook said Route 11A would be under the NYS D.O.T. He will call them about this. The word is that the Governor will be closing the NYS D.O.T. Garage on Route 11 for the summer. The employees will have to go all the way to North Syracuse. He thought maybe we should get a contract before September for the salt so he knows for sure they will be working out of the department on Route 11.

Supervisor Scammell thinks that would be a good idea. He wondered if we shouldn't fill up on some heating oil now rather than waiting as it doesn't seem to be taking any kind of break in price.

Leon Cook thinks the tank is full. They just made a delivery and they have had the heat off.

Supervisor Scammell asked about the Community Center.

Leon Cook said they did fill it but thinks the heat might be on there a little bit.

b) LaFayette Beach.

1. **Evaluate survey/transfer LaFayette Beach from LCC to town.**
2. **Roof/cover over sandbox** (Herb Salladin). Bids. (DK).
3. **Repair/move lacrosse box, lifeguard station repair.**
4. **Structural repairs – bid** (DK).

c) Fred Stafford/Optimists Park.

- **Park entrance signs** (consolidate, carry in – carry out).

11) **Safety** (Tom Rezsnyak, Adrian Shute, Leon Cook & Regina Reinschmidt).

- **NYS Workplace Violence Prevention Law** (NYS boilerplate & DVD).

Councilor Shute said they want to know the outcome of us checking the fire alarm system. He will check with Councilor Knapp on this to see if it has been checked.

12) **School District liaisons** (Bill McConnell and Adrian Shute & Pete Paul).

Councilor McConnell talked to Mr. Tigh today about having a meeting with himself and Councilor Shute. They set a date of May 12th to discuss some common areas that the town and school might wish to pursue.

13) **Senior Transportation & Housing** (Beverly Oliver & Greg Scammell).

14) **Service Awards** (Bill McConnell, Dave Knapp, John Harper & Larry Paige).

- **LOSAP –audit requirements** (KG).

Councilor McConnell said the disbursements and reimbursements are a settled issue. Some of the members are still unaware of how they can handle their own accounts.

Mary Jo said the original 2005 document must be on file in the Town Offices.

Councilor McConnell will get her one.

15) **SOTS & OCRRA Liaison** (Dave Knapp & Bill McConnell).

16) **SPDES** (Bill McConnell, Jim Nakas, Steve Beggs, Nancy Mueller, Ralph Lamson, Mark Parrish & Kevin Gilligan).

Councilor McConnell said he and Mark Parish have been working diligently on the Annual Report which must be filed by June 1st. He will be contacting Ralph Lamson or Mary Jo tomorrow for information that is needed.

17) **Water** (Greg Scammell & “Pete” Paul).

a) **Northeast LaFayette Water and Smokey Hollow Service Improvement districts.**

- **Spring restoration.**

Supervisor Scammell said it looks like the restoration is coming along.

b) **Hamlet drainage study – request submitted to NYS DOT, intersection of Routes 11 & 20 to be reconstructed in 2010-11.**

18) **Zoning Review** (Mary Jo Kelly, Ralph Lamson & Greg Scammell).

a) **Jamesville Reservoir Preservation District/JRPA change.**

b) **SOCPA subdivision guidelines to distribute to local subdivision applicants.**

c) **Digitized zoning map, correction & amendments.**

d) **Streamlining of similar uses, controlled site approvals and specific permits.**

e) **Family accessory units – review.**

Mary Jo said the Zoning Review Committee is hoping to work on a definition for Home Occupation that would allow someone to work from their home if there were no employees, no increased traffic, etc.

Ralph Lamson said for example, someone might be doing work from their computer at home which doesn't affect any of the neighbors.

9. **LITIGATION & OTHER LEGAL MATTERS**

A. **Onondaga Nation Land/Land Rights Claim.**

B. **Springhill Farms.**

C. **Pending zoning issues list.**

D. **Condominium Unit Tax Assessments.**

E. **Other.**

Leon Cook said they only had one load plus a load of 12 tires. They are billing us \$92 for the tires that were picked up on Earth Day. He called them and said if we have volunteers to help out on Earth Day and they are going to charge us, we won't do it in the future.

10. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS & ACTIVE PROJECTS.**

A. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT APP - 2008.

- 1) **Stafford Park.**
- 2) **LaFayette Beach.**
- 3) **Grant writer.**

Councilor Shute said Councilor Knapp got a list of the members and they are going to call them.

B. FOR TB REVIEW.

- 1) **Assessor: tbd**, (replacing Jim Munnell).
- 2) **GBoR member: tbd, mm/dd/yy – mm/dd/yy** (replacing Shawn Adam).
- 3) **Commercial Planned Development (CPD) District – Crossroads Development Corporation.**
- 4) **Condominium assessments.**

Marshall Taylor said the Board passed a resolution to stop conversion of existing stuff to condo's. If you change the zoning and allow someone to put in new condo's, it would qualify for the reduction in taxes.

Councilor Shute thought the Board discussed not having condo assessments but didn't take any action yet.

Kevin Gilligan said the law prohibits conversions.

Supervisor Scammell agreed with Councilor Shute. He thought the Board talked about eliminating condo assessments.

Kevin Gilligan said the statute only allows local levels to prohibit condo conversion.

Marshall Taylor said many towns in the county have passed this legislation. We have a lot of apartments in town that could convert.

The Board will review the material Kevin Gilligan submitted regarding sample legislation from the Town of Onondaga.

Kevin Gilligan will get Supervisor Scammell another copy for the Town Board to review.

- 5) **Budget initiatives.**
- 6) **Dog quarantine.**
- 7) **Windmill Energy legislation.**

Marshall Taylor said personal windmills are new even to the Assessors. He did some research regarding assessing them. Sales could be used to determine the worth. The other way is to put a cap on them which there is no data to make. Currently the cost approach is the only approach that can be used to assess these. He is waiting to hear back from New York State on this.

11. NEW BUSINESS.

A. Rx zoning classification – Comprehensive Plan.

B. Bill Moench’s donation - “Don’t Tread on Me” flag.

Councilor McConnell said Roy Dodge has done some research on this. He will be talking to Greg Titus about this and will have more information forthcoming.

C. Stafford Park - flag pole.

D. Education requirements – PB, ZBA & CE.

Councilman McConnell would recommend a letter be sent with a deadline to complete the credits by. If you don’t comply with the requirements, you shouldn’t be serving on the Board.

Tom Chartrand said some other towns are having difficulty with this too.

Councilor McConnell doesn’t feel other town should affect what the Town of LaFayette does.

Councilor Shute said we don’t have people waiting to be on these Boards.

E. Other.

12. Suggestions for improvement and positive contributions.

13. Executive session (if needed).

14. Councilor’s McConnell moved and Shute seconded the motion to audit and pay the following bills:

HIGHWAY FUND	# 1693 - 1697
GENERAL FUND	# 1698 – 1719
SPECIAL DISTRICT FUND	# 1720
TRUST & AGENCY FUND	# 1721 – 1722

Motion passed 4-0.

15. Councilor’s Shute moved and McConnell seconded the motion to adjourn.

Motion passed 4-0.

The Town Board Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jo Kelly
Town Clerk

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