

REGULAR BOARD MEETING - TOWN OF BRIGHTON - FRANKLIN COUNTY, NY

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The Regular Town Board Meeting of the Town of Brighton was held on Thursday, March 8, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the Brighton Town Hall, 12 County Road 31, Paul Smiths, NY, with the following:

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting was Called to Order by Supervisor Peter Martin at 7:10 p.m.

"Pledge of Allegiance" to the flag was recited

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

PRESENT: Supervisor Peter Martin, Sr.

Council Members: Sheila Delarm, David Knapp, Steve Tucker and Lydia Wright

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Elaine Sater - Town Clerk and Amber McKernan - Tax Collector

RESIDENTS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Regular Board February 8, 2007

Motion made by David Knapp, **second** by Lydia Wright, **to approve the minutes of the Regular Town Board meeting held on February 8, 2007 with the following correction: Page 1, Town Clerk's Report: Amount to Supervisor was corrected to read \$47.23.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye 5 (Delarm, Knapp, Martin, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0

- Special Board February 15, 2007

Motion made by David Knapp, **second** by Lydia Wright, **to approve the minutes of the Special Town Board meeting held on February 15, 2007 as written.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye 5 (Delarm, Knapp, Martin, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

1. Total Revenue to Supervisor as of February 28, 2007 was \$60.00 from 6 Certified Copies
2. Received notice, dated February 7, 2007 from Sodexho Management, Inc., Re: Renewal of Liquor License for the Student Union at Paul Smiths College.
3. February 13 sent letter to Franklin County Board of Elections, Re: Openings for the November 2007 election. There seven (7) positions to be voted on during the November 2007 election as follows:

Supervisor	2- year term
Superintendent of Highways	2-year term
Council Member	4-year term
Council Member	4-year term
Tax Collector	4-year term
Town Clerk	4-year term
Town Justice	4-year term
4. February 18 to 21 attended the Association of Towns Annual meeting and training in New York City with the Supervisor Peter Martin and Council Member Lydia Wright.
5. March 1 the Annual Financial Report Update Document (AUD) for 2006 was filed with the Town Clerk. A legal notice was published on Tuesday, March 6, 2007 in the Adirondack Daily Enterprise to notify the public. Notices were also posted in the post offices and on the Town Clerk's sign board.
6. REQUESTS FOR TOWN FACILITIES:
 - a. TOWN HALL: Brighton Conspiracy Co-op - Saturday, March 24, 8 a.m. till noon; Jane Shanty - Saturday, April 7, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
 - b. TOWN PARK: None

SUPERVISOR'S CORRESPONDENCE/FINANCIAL REPORT

1. **Financial Report:** Distributed the Financial Report as of February 28, 2007 to Board members. Interest from CLASS investments for February 2007 was \$1,946.48. Balances of CLASS Accounts are: General \$415,046.54 and Highway \$224,139.84. Withdrawals will be made to cover General and Highway vouchers for March.

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2. **Budget Amendment: General Fund Budget Amendment #1** is needed to change Animal Control Officer funds from A3510.1 personnel services to A3510.4 contractual services, increase the FREMSA and Retirement amounts.

GENERAL FUND 2007 BUDGET AMENDMENT #1

Motion made by David Knapp, Second by Steve Tucker, to authorize General Fund 2007 Budget Amendment #1 for the transfer of funds.

RESOLVED that the following amounts be and the same hereby are transferred

\$ 251.00 from Account A1990 Contingent

\$2,276.00 from Account A3510.1 Control of Dogs Personal Svcs

as follows:

\$ 250.00 to Account No. A4050.1 FREMSA

\$ 1.00 to Account No. A9010.8 Retirement

\$ 2,276.00 to Account No. A3510.4 Control of Dogs Contractual Svcs

ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye 5 (Delarm, Knapp, Martin, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0

GENERAL FUND 2007 BUDGET AMENDMENT #1 duly adopted.

3. **Correspondence:**

- a. **Letter from Comlinks:** Received an invitation, no date, RE: Chamber Mixer (Malone and Saranac Lake) is on Tuesday, March 13 at Samsons Restaurant at 5:30 p.m.
- b. **Letter from Senator Betty Little:** Received a letter, dated February 28, 2007, RE: Support for opening replacement Post Office in Gabriels.
- c. **Letters from Assemblywoman Janet Duprey:** Received a letter, dated March 1, 2007, RE: Contact information and names of staff members. Received a letter, dated March 1, 2007, she is in receipt of our letter dated 16 February 2007, in support of legislation for billing for combined fire/rescue services.
- d. **Letter from Member of Congress (23rd District, New York) John McHugh:** Received a letter, dated February 6, 2007, he has written to officials within the US Postal System expressing his interest in the Gabriels Post Office.
- e. **Letter from the Town of Harrietstown:** Received letter, dated February 23, 2007, RE: Town Board supports the need for a Post Office in Gabriels.
- f. **Letter from St. Lawrence County Planning Office:** Received letter, dated February 15, 2007, RE: A seminar to discuss the Local Update of Census Addresses (LUCA) in Malone on March 13, 2007 at 9:30 a.m.; the Town Clerk will be attending.
- g. **Letter from United State Postal Service, Northeast Facilities Office:** Received letter, dated February 22, 2007, Re: Gabriels NY 12939 Main Office. Read for the record as follows:

“Dear Supervisor Martin:

At the request of Council member Sheila Delarm, I am writing to confirm that the Postal Service is working to restore the Gabriels post office which was severely damaged by fire. Our first initiative is to locate and bring to Gabriels a trailer to be used as a temporary post office. No suitable trailers were found in the Albany or Western New York Districts that were available for use, and we have expanded our search to neighboring Districts within the Northeast Area. The lessor of the damaged post office is willing to rent a site for the temporary post office, and is also looking into the use of the adjoining church parking lot. We will provide you updated information on the temporary facility as it becomes available.

The Postal Service intends to provide a permanent replacement for the Gabriels post office. Our Facilities Design and Construction staff is preparing conceptual plans for offerors to base estimates for the new facility. The relative costs for rebuilding on the old post office site or moving to a different location will be a primary consideration in the final decision of how to best provide a new postal facility for Gabriels. We will also keep you apprised of our progress on the permanent facility.

I would like to thank you and the Town Council members I spoke with for your offers of assistance, and the information provided on alternative locations. We look forward to working with you on this matter. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or additional information.

Sincerely, (signed) Paul J. Senk Manager, Real Estate”

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- h. **Going Away Party for Superintendent at the Federal Prison:** On Friday, March 9, at noon there is a going away luncheon for the Superintendent of the Federal Prison.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1. **ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER:** Received a letter from the Tri-Lakes Humane Society, dated February 27, 2007. They are asking how the Town wishes them to handle expired dog licenses; do they send a second reminder if the person does not respond to the first reminder or do they send an appearance ticket to attend court on the second time around? Discussion was held on how to handle dogs that are not licensed. Lydia Wright will contact the Tri-Lakes Humane Society to see if they will conduct a dog enumeration.

RESOLUTION #34

AUTHORIZATION FOR TRI-LAKES HUMANE SOCIETY TO HANDLE EXPIRED DOG LICENSES

Motion made by David Knapp, second by Lydia Wright, To Wit:

WHEREAS, the Animal Control Officer is now the Tri-Lakes Humane Society, and

WHEREAS, the Animal Control Officer is responsible for expired dog licenses,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tri-Lakes Humane Society be authorized to send out one reminder to owners of expired dog licenses and then, if there is no response after 30 days, send out an appearance ticket to attend the Town of Brighton Court.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye 5 (Delarm, Knapp, Martin, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0

RESOLUTION #34 declared duly adopted.

2. **ASSESSOR (Doug Tichenor):** Report submitted to the Board before the meeting as follows:
- Received numerous calls pertaining to exemptions
 - Proceeded with preparation for tentative assessment roll
3. **CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER (CEO) (Ed Lagree):** No Report, attending training
4. **TAX COLLECTOR (Amber McKernan):**
- February was a very busy month, as was expected; collected \$196,696.01, On 28 February issued check #767 to Fr. Co. Treasurer in the amount of \$77,000.00 bringing the total paid to that office to \$452,000.00. On 28 February issue check #766 in the amount of \$0.63 as a refund for an overpay.
 - Received notification from the Treasurer's office of tax payments by utilities and payment of state land taxes by NY State, all of which were posted. These payments are made directly to the Treasurer's office. The State of NY made a deduction on parcel #350.-1-2, which will be noted and an adjustment made by the Treasurer's office when the final accounting is made.
 - Collected \$1,028,756.02, of that \$533.97 are penalties for payment after 31 January. Posted \$1,057,114.63 and have marked parcels paid in the amount of \$1,347,303.23. State-owned parcels are not posted. \$138,104.17 is outstanding on the warrant to date.
 - Printing and preparing the mailing for the second notice for unpaid bills. The last date to postmark payments to avoid the \$2.00 second mailing fee is 15 March. The second notices will be mailed on 16 March.
 - On March 8 issued check #768 to Supervisor Peter Martin in the amount of \$388.33 which is the amount of penalties to date.
 - Sent eleven faxes and received many phone calls regarding tax matters
 - Received and balanced the January bank statement
 - Contacted the Treasurer's office on March 7 to see if the extension of the warrant forms had been sent out to the Supervisor. The Supervisor has not received it yet. Will contact the office again to make sure it is filed before 31 March so taxes can be collected by her until April 30.
 - Budget will probably be short due to increased mileage from change in Post Office location
5. **TOWN JUSTICE (Nik Santagate):** Report given by David Knapp. Disposed of 53 cases and issued a check in the amount of \$3,659.00 to the Supervisor. Supervisor Peter Martin said there is a grant available for security updates to the courtroom for up to \$20,000.

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6. HISTORIAN - Mary Ellen Salls: No Report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT - David Knapp and Steve Tucker

- a. A detailed report was received from Superintendent of Highways Don Oliver and is summarized as follows:
 - i. Plowed and sanded roads
 - ii. Listed temperatures for each day, ranged from -28 degrees to +26 degrees
 - iii. Worked in garage when very cold
 - iv. Pushed back snow banks with loader
 - v. Washed and greased vehicles
 - vi. Cleaned drains in floors
- b. Other issues
 - i. **Letterhead for Highway:** Letterhead has been ordered through Currier Press
 - ii. **Salt Shed Update:** A letter will be sent to John Hutchins of JT Erectors and Conboy & Conboy to see if they are interested in submitting quotes for the construction of the salt shed. The bids went out in December with no response. **Supervisor Peter Martin** talked to Fred Dunlap from DEC and told him the salt shed may not be finished by June 2007. Mr. Dunlap will send the paper work for a grant extension.
 - iii. **Decals for Truck:** No action yet to get large decals
 - iv. **Highway phone number:** Needs to be added to the website contact list and a sign could be posted on the garage door for people to call. The protocol is to call the Superintendent of Highways first then the Deputy Supervisor.
 - v. **White Pine Road Bridge:** There is no further information at this time
 - vi. **CSEA Contract: Lydia Wright** contacted the Attorney for the Town, Scott Goldie, concerning the contract. He did not have a copy of the contract so one was faxed to him for his review. He said the health insurance change did not need to be made this year since it was a one year contract. The change can be made to next year's contract if needed.

RESOLUTION #35

AUTHORIZATION TO PROPOSE CSEA CONTRACT TERMS

Motion made by David Knapp, second by Sheila Delarm, To Wit:

RESOLVED, that the following proposals be made to the CSEA Union for the Highway Department Employees contract for the period January 1 to December 31, 2007:

- 1) **The Contract will be a one year agreement**
- 2) **A pay increase of 3.3% for Cost of Living over 2006 wages**
- 3) **No weekend standby pay**
- 4) **No increase in vacation time upon 20 years service**

ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye 5 (Delarm, Knapp, Martin, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0

RESOLUTION #35 declared duly adopted.

2. PARK & RECREATION - Steve Tucker and Lydia Wright

- a. Ice was good for 2 weeks, has not been good since it rained
- b. Light fixtures and bulbs in the Park Building were replaced. **David Knapp** received a quote from North Country Electrical Services for additional electrical work that needs to be completed.

RESOLUTION #36

AUTHORIZATION TO REPAIR AND UPGRADE ELECTRICAL SERVICE IN PARK BUILDING

Motion made by Lydia Wright, second by David Knapp, To Wit:

WHEREAS, the electrical service in the Park Building has not been upgraded for several years,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that North Country Electrical Services be authorized to complete the repairs and upgrades needed at the Park Building Not to Exceed \$520.00.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye 5 (Delarm, Knapp, Martin, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0

Resolution #36 declared duly adopted.

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3. **INSURANCE - Sheila Delarm and Lydia Wright**
 - a. Meeting with Karen Buckley was canceled on February 22 due to bad weather, to be rescheduled on Apr 3
 - b. Lydia Wright will be attending Local Government Days on March 22 and 23
4. **INVESTMENTS - Sheila Delarm and Lydia Wright:** CLASS accounts interest took a little dip, but is now back up
5. **CEMETERY - Steve Tucker and David Knapp:** There will be a burial in the spring for Arlene Muncil
6. **TOWN BUILDINGS - Steve Tucker and David Knapp**
 - a. **Town Hall:** The furnace still has not been serviced. **David Knapp** will contact Griffith Oil to get the technician out when the weather warms up so he can shut off the water to drain the lines. The lack of delivery of kerosene in December and January was due to delivery drivers not being available at Griffith Oil. There was a delivery made in March.
 - b. **Town Hall Project:**
 - i. **Member Item Funding Senator Betty Little:** David Knapp sent a letter, dated Wednesday, 28 February 2007 to Senator Betty Little's office, Attention: Sharon Henderson, requesting to transfer the grant PKS-04-TI-0001 in Fiscal year 2004 from the Citizens Committee for the Brighton Town Hall to the Town Of Brighton, since they are not an authorized entity to receive the funding but the Town is authorized. A copy was sent to James Noon of the NYS Department of OPRH. Once this grant proposal is approved then the bids can go out from Crawford and Stearns.
 - ii. **Grant Application for \$40,000:** A grant application has to be submitted to obtain the member item funding from Senator Betty Little's office. Much of the information has already been collected by Pat Willis and needs to be updated.

RESOLUTION #37

AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR \$40,000 GRANT FROM THE OPRH FOR TOWN HALL PROJECT

Motion made by Steve Tucker, **second** by Lydia Wright, **To Wit:**

WHEREAS, the Town of Brighton has applied for member item funding from Senator Betty Little for the Town Hall Project, and

WHEREAS, the amount of \$40,000 was allocated by Senator Betty Little for a grant for the Town of Brighton,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Supervisor be authorized to sign a grant application for \$40,000 to be submitted through Crawford and Stearns to the NYS Department of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation for the Town Hall Restoration and Addition Project.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye 5 (Delarm, Knapp, Martin, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0

Resolution #37 declared duly adopted.

iii. **Member Item funding from Assembly member Janet Duprey:** Supervisor Peter Martin had a call from Janet Duprey; she needs a request by Monday for item member funding for the Town Hall Project.

iv. **Member Item funding from Congressman John McHugh:** He also needs an updated request for funding

David Knapp will write up proposals to get out to the different offices.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **DISASTER PLAN:** There will be a "Pan Flu" presentation at the Fire House on Thursday, March 15, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Still waiting for the coroner's attachment to add to the plan.
2. **FIRE ADVISORY BOARD (FAB):** The Fire Advisory Board (FAB) had two productive meetings. Larry Miller, Supervisor from the Town of Harrietstown, has been elected as Chair; Mickey Webb, Supervisor Town of Santa Clara, is Vice Chair; Vern James, Chief of the Saranac Lake Fire Department Rescue Service, is the Secretary. Decisions will be made by consensus only, not by vote. They discussed billing for the 2008 Village of Saranac Lake contract which is currently based on assessments using the original 3-year phase-in. Two options

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were presented by the FAB for discussion Option 1 proposes to charge people using the service by where they live. Option 2 proposes creating a formula built from historical call volume, irrespective of whether is was for fire or rescue service. The breakdown would be 50% of total budget to the Village, 25% to Harrietstown, and 25% to be allocated to the remaining towns. The Town Board discussed Option 2 and the fact that the formula is based on what was paid in 2007 by the Town, which was an unfair amount. The Town of Brighton would be paying a larger share than North Elba or St Armand who have a larger share of calls. The formula to determine the percentage for the Town is not consistent with the other towns. David Knapp would like to go with an even percentage. Sheila Delarm wants the randomness removed from the formula, she asked John Quenell to provide a formula that would take the randomness out of the percentage proposed in Option 2. His proposal to determine a percentage for the Town uses a one to three ratio of average rescue calls to fire calls gives the Town a 3.5% share of the cost.

RESOLUTION #38

AUTHORIZATION TO AGREE TO A PERCENTAGE BASIS FORMULA FOR COST OF RESCUE SERVICE

Motion made by David Knapp, second by Lydia Wright, To Wit:

WHEREAS, a Fire Advisory Board (FAB) has been set up to address the distribution of costs of fire and rescue services in the area, and

WHEREAS, David Knapp represents the Town of Brighton,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board authorizes David Knapp to agree to the proposed option by the Fire Advisory Board of using a percentage based formula (yet to be determined) for distribution of the cost for 2008 Fire/Rescue service from the Village of Saranac Lake, then subtract 20% from the final cost for the towns that use only rescue service and redistribute the 20% of that cost to the other towns who contract for both fire and rescue service.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye 5 (Delarm, Knapp, Martin, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0

Resolution #38 declared duly adopted.

3. **ALTERNATE RESCUE SERVICES: Supervisor Peter Martin** distributed information for applying for a Certificate of Need (CON) for the Town. **David Knapp** said the committee is meeting in case the Village is not interested in accepting the FAB proposal which he will call "Option A". "Option B" will be to look at obtaining another service through either a "grass roots" ambulance service or providing a "Request for Proposal" for obtaining the service from another source. The Town may need a CON to obtain service from alternative sources. **Sheila Delarm** said the Town needs to be more independent to make better decisions. Discussion was held on how to apply for a CON and the pros and cons of holding one. The Board will review the information for the next board meeting. **Supervisor Peter Martin** said if people are interested in becoming rescue volunteers they need to get trained by an already established EMT service like FREMSA or Tupper Lake Rescue Service if they can't attend the Academy. **Sheila Delarm** said that, in the spirit of being independent, Tom Tucker, Chief of the Paul Smiths-Gabriels Volunteer Fire Department (PSGVFD) asked her if the Board would send a letter of support for the fire department getting its own extrication equipment (jaws of life). **Supervisor Peter Martin** asked what the reason was for the Board to be asked for support since the PSGVFD can purchase any equipment they need without the Board's approval. **Sheila Delarm** did not have a letter from Tom Tucker with the details but would like the board to approve the support by a letter from the Supervisor, she would get the words for a draft letter.

RESOLUTION #39

AUTHORIZATION TO SEND A LETTER IN SUPPORT OF OBTAINING EXTRICATION EQUIPMENT

Motion made by David Knapp, second by Supervisor Peter Martin, To Wit:

WHEREAS, if the Chief of the Paul Smiths-Gabriels Volunteer Fire Department needs a letter of support for funding to obtain extrication equipment,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Supervisor be authorized to sign a letter in support of the Paul Smiths-Gabriels Volunteer Fire Department obtaining funding for extrication equipment

ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye 5 (Delarm, Knapp, Martin, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0

Resolution #39 declared duly adopted.

4. GABRIELS POST OFFICE:

- a. **Replacement Building:** A replacement trailer for the Gabriels Post Office is not in place yet. An inspector

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was looking at the site last week. Sheila Delarm spoke with Paul Senk, Real Estate Manager for the Post Office, but he does not know about the trailer. He will find out and let Sheila Delarm know. Jim Tucker sent an e-mail to Sheila Delarm, he wants to make sure the Board is exploring all the options for the place for the Post Office. Discussion was held about forming a committee and whether the Board should be getting involved with private businesses or if the citizens should do that on their own. People can communicate with the Board if they have input for the Post Office.

b. Letter to Tim Healy USPS District Manager, dated February 12, 2007

Motion made by Steve Tucker, Second by Lydia Wright, to include in these minutes the letter, dated February 12, 2007 to Tim Healy, District Manager of the United States Postal Service in Albany, addressing the safety concerns of the residents using Paul Smiths College's Post Office for temporary mail service.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye 5 (Delarm, Knapp, Martin, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0

"Dear Mr. Healy,

We wanted to take this opportunity to thank you for responding to our residents' concerns regarding the interim solution of an 18 mile round trip on icy roads. Locating at the Paul Smiths office is a much more workable temporary solution.

As you know, this community values and misses its post office, its community hub. Enclosed are over 300 signatures on petitions from area residents who use the Gabriels post office throughout the year and who are requesting that you place an interim post office in Gabriels until we can come up with a permanent solution.

As Councilwoman Delarm mentioned in her phone conversation with you, we have many solutions for a temporary/permanent post office. She spoke with the landlord of one option yesterday and he's willing to talk with you. His place is handicap accessible, will have a bathroom, is bigger than the old post office, has good parking and is a 'shell' right now and can easily be finished to meet your specifications.

We have some safety concerns with the new temporary location. The Paul Smiths post office is nestled on the Paul Smiths College campus. It is a college community. Student pedestrian traffic is a challenge for any driver in the best of times. While driving in from the main road to the post office, drivers must avoid students who often walk in the road, and parking lots, to get from place to place. It is winter, their heads are often down as they're trying to stay warm and are not as attentive as they may need to be with this increase in traffic flow (up to 150 more cars/day), where the drivers will now -- more often -- be our Sr. citizens.

This is a private college campus. We are guests. It is their community. We appreciate the interim solution, however, for the safety and well being of our residents and the college's, we again request that you place our post office back in Gabriels.

In part due to the influence of the Gabriels Post office, this is a very connected community. Our residents are ready, willing and able to assist the postal service with both a temporary, and a permanent location, for the post office to return to Gabriels at 12939. This office has been here since 1896 and has survived a previous fire. Let's give it a new space, and look forward to visiting it for another 100 years!

Please feel free to contact us at 518-327-3202 or 327-5030.

Respectfully,

Peter Martin Sheila Delarm-Eckert David Knapp Steve Tucker Lydia Wright
Supervisor Council Members

cc: Congressman John McHugh

Senator Hillary Clinton

Senator Betty Little

Senator Chuck Schumer

Assemblywoman Janet Duprey

Dan Gronin, USPS

Franklin Co. Legislators: Gordy Crossman, Tim Burpoe, Ray Susice"

5. **BENEFIT DINNER FOR HADYNSKI'S: Sheila Delarm** reported that over \$2,000 was raised by the dinner held at Samson's Bar and Grill for the Hadynski's, who lost all their belonging in a house fire. About 200 dinners were sold and many community members helped out with the dinner.
6. **TIME WARNER CABLE: Sheila Delarm** contracted Al Sutphen with 20 families that are interested in cable in the McColloms area. She has not contacted him directly, just left messages. Nancy Reich is

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interested in working with Time Warner to get this project underway.

7. **THANK YOU LETTERS FOR RESCUE SUPPORT:** David Knapp sent letters of Thank you to several organizations and people who supported the Town of Brighton during contract negotiations for rescue services.
8. **THANK YOU LETTERS FOR SUPPORT OF BILLING FOR RESCUE SERVICES:** David Knapp sent Thank you letters, dated February 16, 2007, to Assembly women Janet Duprey and Theresa Sayward, and Senator Betty Little for supporting legislation asking to allow combination fire and rescue services to bill for rescue services.
9. **SIGNS FOR OSGOOD POND:** David Knapp will contract Camp Gabriels to obtain a sign saying no "jet skies" allowed on Osgood Pond.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **FIRE DISTRICT FOR TUPPER LAKE:** Received a letter, dated February 16, 2007 from the Town of Tupper Lake asking the Town to support amending Chapter 9 of the Town Law allowing for Fire Districts to be run by the town government instead of a board of fire commissioners. It also addresses allowing multiple towns to combine and allow board members from town government be on a separate board. The Board will review the request for next month's meeting.
2. **CELL PHONE TOWERS:** Received a notice, dated March 2, 2007 from Senator Betty Little, Assembly women Sayward and Duprey, RE: Improving cell phone service in the Adirondacks. There was a meeting at Harrietstown Town Hall in Saranac Lake to discuss this issue this morning. Assemblywoman Duprey spoke with Supervisor Peter Martin today and had trouble using her cell phone. He told her about Paul Smith's College's interest in hosting a cell phone tower. She was not aware of their interest and will contract them.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: None

AUDIT OF VOUCHERS

RESOLUTION #40

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY AUDITED VOUCHERS AS LISTED ON THE ABSTRACTS

Motion made by Lydia Wright, second by David Knapp, To Wit:

RESOLVED that the Supervisor be authorized to pay the audited vouchers as listed on the abstracts as follows:

PRE-PAID FUNDS: Abstract #3 for Vouchers #3A through #3C for 2007 General Funds in the amount of \$763.31, Voucher #3C for 2007 Street Light Funds in the amount of \$71.34.

GENERAL FUND: Abstract #3 for Voucher #33, #66 through and including #92 for 2007 funds in the amount of \$23,077.62

HIGHWAY FUND: Abstract #3 for Vouchers #20 through and including #29 for 2007 funds in the amount of \$17,691.88, excluding \$9.18 from Voucher #25 for an item that was not signed for by the Town.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye 5 (Delarm, Knapp, Martin, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0

Resolution #40 declared duly adopted.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn at 11:00 p.m. made by David Knapp, second by Lydia Wright, Aye 5, Nay 0

Respectfully Submitted,

Elaine Sater
Brighton Town Clerk