

**The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Brighton was held Thursday, October 12, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. at the Brighton Town Hall, Paul Smiths, NY, with the following:**

**PRESENT:** Supervisor Christopher Leifheit  
Council Members: Alicia Bodmer  
Linda Dobson  
John Quenell  
Roger Smith

**ABSENT:** None

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Elaine Sater-Town Clerk, Don Oliver- Superintendent of Highways, Nik Santagate-Justice, Tom & Pat Willis-Historians

**RESIDENTS:** There were six residents present.

**GUESTS:** Micky Webb, Republican Candidate District 5 Franklin County Legislature

**Meeting was Called to Order** by Supervisor Leifheit **at 7:04 p.m.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Motion made** by Supervisor Christopher Leifheit **to accept the minutes of the Regular Town of Brighton Meeting on September 14, 2000, with the following correction: Page 3, Citizens Comments, Tom Willis, second line - change “outlander” to “outlier”;** second by Linda Dobson; All Aye

**Motion made** by Supervisor Leifheit **to accept the minutes of the Special Meeting of the Town Of Brighton on September 25, 2000 as written,** second by Alicia Bodmer, Aye 4, Abstain 1 (Smith)

**TOWN CLERK REPORT**

Total Revenue to Supervisor as of September 30, 2000 was \$247.63.

14 DEC Sport Licenses

3 Certified Copies

9 Dog Licenses

2 Building Permits (BRI2000-22 through 23)

1 Donation for Park Use

2 FOIL Requests

1. Attended Local Government Conference, October 3, 2000 at SUNY Potsdam, Registration fee was \$30.
2. Resolution for support of “Rediscovering New York History and Culture Initiative”

**RESOLUTION # 80**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR SUPPORT OF “REDISCOVERING NYS HISTORY & CULTURE INITIATIVE**

WHEREAS, New York’s magnificent historic treasures, extraordinary cultural diversity, and significance as the nations’ bellwether are a resource for life-long learning by residents, and

WHEREAS, one third of all visitors to New York go to historical and cultural sites, making cultural tourism one of the fastest-growing sectors of the economy, and

WHEREAS, cultural resources are central to economic development, cultural tourism and quality education, and

WHEREAS, New York boasts an inspiring array of 3,000 museums and archives, the most for any state, where New

York’s diverse heritage is captured and accessible to all its citizens and visitors who learn from our cultural values, and

WHEREAS, limited resources are taking their toll on these historical and cultural institutions, with fragile artifacts, perishable archives and manuscripts, poor storage conditions, lack of technology, and deferred maintenance increasing the risk of loss of these treasures, and

WHEREAS, many unique traditions and documentary collections have never been captured or inventoried, leaving undocumented whole industries, cultures, and areas of New York life, and many of its important events, peoples, and organizations, and

WHEREAS, the *Rediscovering New York History and Culture* initiative proposes \$7 million in local aid to 3,000 community archives, museums and historical societies to 1) Save the archives of events, peoples and organizations that may be lost forever; 2) Upgrade the computer capacities of community museums and historical societies; 3) Expand the number of community history education projects; 4) Enhance community and regional heritage tourist programs; and 5) Link the 3,000 community history institutions on a New York History & Culture website; and

WHEREAS, every \$1 State investment can leverage \$12 from private and local government sources, and

WHEREAS, this initiative proposes investing one hundredth of one percent of the State budget,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Of Brighton supports the Rediscovering New York History and Culture initiative and encourages its inclusion in the next Executive budget.**

**Motion made** by Supervisor Christopher Leifheit, second by Alicia Bodmer, All Aye

**Roll Call Vote:**

Supervisor Christopher Leifheit	Aye
Council Members: Linda Dobson	Aye
John Quenell	Aye
Roger Smith	Aye
Alicia Bodmer	Aye

**Resolution #80 declared duly adopted.**

3. Received 1999 Annual Report from the Adirondack Park Agency
4. Registration Days were held on October 7 and 11, five forms were returned to Board of Elections
5. Town Hall Schedule: Sunday Oct 22, Karen Smith for all day, Thursday October 26, Brighton Architectural Heritage Committee, 1 to 3 pm., November 20, 7 pm, Public Hearing for DEC
6. Park Use: Bob Bhrel, Saturday October 14, 2000 Noon to 4 pm for Rugby Tournament

**INTRODUCTIONS:** Supervisor Leifheit introduced Mickey Webb who is the Republican Candidate for District #5 of the Franklin County Legislature. Mr. Webb said he would attend Town meetings as often as he could and would help the Town with any problems they might have. Supervisor Leifheit asked him to be sure to return phone calls.

**SUPERVISOR'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE:**

**BUSINESS AT HAND**

1. **Landfill Closure Project Status:** Bid packages will be advertised in the paper this weekend and throughout the week. The project will be bid to commence in the Spring 2001.
2. **Town Ordinances:** A Local Law for Litter was presented to the Board by Alicia Bodmer. Supervisor Leifheit will forward it to the Attorney for the Town for legal review. It will be brought back to the board in a future meeting. Questions about enforcement and penalties were discussed at length. The Public Hearing for the Local Law for Noise will be held at the same time as the Public Hearing for the Local Law for Litter.
3. **Community Enhancement Program:** Linda Dobson said the grant was approved for \$18,948. A contract will be sent for board approval. The grant money is good until October 16, 2001. A separate account could be established in the CLASS account to track this money. Clean-up time will probably be mid May to end of May 2001. Linda Dobson thanked John Quenell and Tom Willis for the photos that were submitted with the application.
4. **APA Application Project #2000-54:** John Quenell attended the Adirondack Park Agency (APA) meeting on Thursday October 12 and reported that the Girouard gravel mine application will go to a Public Hearing before the application is approved. A Public Hearing must be held before November 26, 2000. The APA received 65 letters of concern and the resolution from the Town Board. Thank you to board members who approved that resolution.
5. **Purchase of Land by DEC:** The appraisal of property by DEC for the Girouard property is moving forward. The DEC has asked for a Public Hearing for on Monday, November 20, 2000 at 7 p.m.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Tentative 2001 Budget:** Copies of 2001 Tentative Budget were given to the board members. A Special Meeting will be held on Thursday, October 19 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the budget and prepare the Preliminary 2001 Budget.
2. **Rescue Contract:** An alternate rescue service will soon be available from a company taking over Adirondack Ambulance using Rural Health Grant Money. Mary Conors would like to come and talk to the board about their service. Alicia Bodmer will invite her to attend the December meeting.
3. **Tax Collector:** A letter was received from Arlene Hogan. She will be submitting her letter of resignation for December 31, 2000. Barbara Marshall will be handling duties as Deputy Tax Collector for the remainder of 2000.
4. **Employees Assistance Services (EAS):** Roger Smith received the new contract for EAS

**RESOLUTION # 81**

**AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE THE EAS CONTRACT AND EXPEND FUNDS**

**Motion made by Roger Smith to authorize Supervisor Christopher Leifheit to sign a contract with Behavioral Health Services North doing business as Employee Assistance Services and expend funds of \$120.00 (\$90 from Highway Fund, \$30 from General Fund) for four covered employees for counseling and information services, second by John Quenell, All Aye**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Supervisor Christopher Leifheit	Aye
Council Members: Linda Dobson	Aye
John Quenell	Aye
Roger Smith	Aye
Alicia Bodmer	Aye

**Resolution #81 declared duly adopted.**

5. **Saranac Lake Area Girl Scouts:** Sent a letter dated October 10, 2000 requesting a second bottle box at the Park

**RESOLUTION #82**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR SECOND BOTTLE COLLECTION BOX AT TOWN PARK**

**Motion made by Supervisor Leifheit to authorization a second bottle collection box at the Brighton Park in Gabriels for the Saranac Lake Area Girl Scouts, second by John Quenell, All Aye**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Supervisor Christopher Leifheit	Aye
Council Members: Linda Dobson	Aye
John Quenell	Aye
Roger Smith	Aye
Alicia Bodmer	Aye

**Resolution #82 declared duly adopted.**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

1. **COURT:** 37 Cases were disposed and \$2,193.00 in fines was sent to the State Comptroller.
2. **HIGHWAY:**
  - a. Salt and sand is ready for winter. Trudeau Sand & Gravel bill for screening sand is \$3,545.00 and IMC Salt was \$37.98 per ton for salt, a total of \$6,001.22.
  - b. The 1998 Ford LT 9000 tandem was repaired at Bailey Ford, had an engine oil leak and brakes repaired

- c. Ordered the new Plow and Wing for Ford L9000 for \$5,229.00 direct from factory. Old plow will go on Oskosh.
- d. Need a new sander for L9000 Ford, received four quotes, lowest was Route 11 Truck And Equipment Center for \$6,240.00

**RESOLUTION #83**

**AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE A NEW SANDER FOR THE L9000 FORD**

**Motion made by Supervisor Leifheit to authorize Superintendent of Highways, Don Oliver, to purchase, using 2001 Highway Funds of \$6,240 from Route 11 Truck and Equipment Center, an eleven foot sander for the L9000 Ford Snow Plow to replace the homemade sander currently on the truck, second by John Quenell, All Aye**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Supervisor Christopher Leifheit	Aye
Council Members: Linda Dobson	Aye
John Quenell	Aye
Roger Smith	Aye
Alicia Bodmer	Aye

**Resolution #83 declared duly adopted.**

- 3. **PARK:** No Report.
- 4. **CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:** No Report
- 5. **INSURANCE:** Nothing to report
- 6. **CEMETERY:** Nothing to report
- 7. **TAX COLLECTOR:** Phone has been installed at the Town Hall
- 8. **ASSESSOR:**
  - a. Performing updates for the Towns of Santa Clara and Duane. This will put in place a large sales pool for the Brighton Update.
  - b. Will be attending the November board meeting
  - c. There have been a large number of property sales in Brighton. Property values on the waterfront parcels are increasing.
  - d. Received many contacts especially about the STAR program.
  - e. Requirements for 2001 budget are \$1500 in contractual expenses, same as 2000. The \$200 for equipment was not used on a camera because the county bought a digital one for assessors' use.

**CITIZENS COMMENTS:**

**Pat Willis- Garondah Road:** Any word on the Champlain Basin Grant? Not yet.

**Tom Willis-Garondah Road:** Will take pictures of the Rugby tournament on Saturday for the Brighton 2000 Project.

Can people sit in on the Budget Workshop? Yes, but they will not be asked for input.

Are the new costs for the Insurance available? Yes, it looks like a 25% increase for medical, optical and dental are increasing by 14% and 33% respectively.

**Balances of Accounts as of September 30, 2000** were available and are attached.

**RESOLUTION #84-2000**

**AUTHORIZATION TO PAY ALL VOUCHERS LISTED ON ABSTRACTS**

**Motion made by Linda Dobson to pay all the vouchers audited by the Town Board and listed on the abstracts attached to these minutes as follows:**

**ABSTRACT #10 - All Funds: Pre-Paid Voucher #10A through and including Voucher #10G as follows:**

**General Fund -\$543.70, Highway Fund -\$1,791.68, Total Pre Paid- \$2,335.38**

**ABSTRACT #10 - General Fund: Voucher #187 through and including Voucher#198 as follows: \$4,313.17**

**ABSTRACT #10 - Highway Fund: Voucher #114 through and including Voucher #127 as follows: \$12,982.12**

**ABSTRACT #7 – STREET LIGHTING: Voucher #7 as follows: \$50.98**

Second by Supervisor Leifheit, All Aye

**Roll Call Vote:**

Supervisor Christopher Leifheit	Aye
Council Members: Linda Dobson	Aye
John Quenell	Aye
Roger Smith	Aye
Alicia Bodmer	Aye

**Resolution #84 declared duly adopted.**

**Motion made by Linda Dobson to adjourn the Regular Town Board Meeting at 8:46 p.m., second by Alicia Bodmer, All Aye**

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine W. Sater  
Brighton Town Clerk