

The Regular Town Board Meeting for the Town of Brighton, Franklin County, New York, was held on Thursday, October 13, 2005, at 7 p.m. at the Brighton Town Hall, 12 County Route 31, Paul Smiths, NY, with the following:

PRESENT: Supervisor Robert Tebbutt

Council Members: David Knapp, John Quenell, Steve Tucker, and Lydia Wright

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Don Oliver - Superintendent of Highways, Mary Ellen Salls - Historian, and Elaine Sater - Town Clerk

RESIDENTS: There were seven residents present and a representative of the local news media

Called to Order by Supervisor Robert Tebbutt at 7:00 p.m.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Motion made by John Quenell, **second** by Steve Tucker, **to adopt the minutes of the Regular Town Board meeting held on September 8, 2005 as written.**

Roll Call Vote: **Aye 5** (Supervisor Robert Tebbutt, David Knapp, John Quenell, Steve Tucker, Lydia Wright), **Nay 0**

Motion made by John Quenell, **second** by Supervisor Robert Tebbutt, **to adopt the minutes of the Special Town Board meeting held on October 12, 2005, with the following changes: Page 2, Last Paragraph, Third Sentence: Change "She" to "John Quenell."**

Roll Call Vote: **Aye 5** (Supervisor Robert Tebbutt, David Knapp, John Quenell, Steve Tucker, Lydia Wright), **Nay 0**

Motion made by Supervisor Robert Tebbutt, **second** by Steve Tucker, **to adopt the minutes of the Special Town Board meeting held on October 4, 2005 as written.**

Roll Call Vote: **Aye 4** (Supervisor Robert Tebbutt, David Knapp, John Quenell, Steve Tucker), **Abstain 1** (Lydia Wright), **Nay 0**

Motion made by John Quenell, **second** by Supervisor Robert Tebbutt, **to adopt the minutes of the Special Town Board meeting held on October 6, 2005 as written.**

Roll Call Vote: **Aye 3** (Supervisor Robert Tebbutt, David Knapp, John Quenell), **Abstain 2** (Steve Tucker, Lydia Wright), **Nay 0**

TOWN CLERK REPORT

Total Revenue to Supervisor as of September 30, 2005 was \$ 2,295.05

13 Sport Licenses

1 Donation for Town Hall Use

5 Dog Licenses: 4 Renewals, 1 New

8 Building Permit (#05-39 to 47)

2 FOIL Requests and 6 copier use

1. Received notification from the Office of the State Comptroller, dated September 13, 2005, RE: Regional forum to be held on October 6, 2005 on "Fiscal Difficulties, Economic Underperformance and Governmental Cooperation" in Potsdam. Copies were distributed to the board on September 20. Also received notice of a teleconference for Tuesday, October 18, 2005 entitled "Something About Records Management", distributed copies to board on September 15 and October 13.
2. Received notification from the Franklin County Board of Elections, RE: General Election on November 8, 2005. Sent letters of notification to the primary election inspectors October 4.
3. Received notification from Haroff Auction & Realty, Inc of Franklin County RE: Auction on Wednesday, October 26, 2005 in Malone. There are two Brighton properties to be put up for auction.
4. TOWN HALL REQUESTS: Sep 16 and Oct 9 - Painting Class; Sunday afternoons, 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. - Cub Scouts
5. TOWN PARK REQUESTS: Saturday, Sep 18 - Brighton Kids 1- 3 p.m.
6. RECORDS MANAGEMENT: Would like a notice put in the Brighton Bulletin: Anyone finding Town of Brighton records in their homes should turn them over to the Town Clerk/Records Management Officer. Examples would be old tax books (school districts or Town), birth, death or marriage records, found in the attic or storage closets when moving in or out. Call 327-3202 and describe record.

SUPERVISOR REPORT

1. **FINANCIAL REPORT:** Monthly Budget Report was distributed to the board members

2. **BUDGET AMENDMENTS**

RESOLUTION #92

GENERAL FUND 2005 BUDGET AMENDMENT #5-2005 RELATING TO THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Motion made by Supervisor Robert Tebbutt, second by John Quenell, To Wit:

GENERAL FUND 2005 BUDGET AMENDMENT #5-2005 RELATING TO THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS

RESOLVED, that the following amounts be and the same hereby are appropriated/transferred: \$850.00 from Account No. A1990 Contingency as follows: \$700.00 to Account No. A1130.1 Court Clerk - Personal Service and \$150.00 to Account No. A3620.4 Safety Inspection - Contractual; Total \$850.00.

Roll Call Vote: Aye 5 (Supervisor Robert Tebbutt, David Knapp, John Quenell, Steve Tucker) **Abstain 1** (Lydia Wright), **Nay 0**

Resolution #92 declared duly adopted.

RESOLUTION #93

HIGHWAY FUND 2005 BUDGET AMENDMENT #1-2005 RELATING TO THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Motion made by Supervisor Robert Tebbutt, second by John Quenell, To Wit:

HIGHWAY FUND 2005 BUDGET AMENDMENT #1-2005 RELATING TO THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS

RESOLVED, that the following amounts be and the same hereby are appropriated/transferred: \$2,428.80 from Account No. DA5110.1 Repairs - Personal Services and \$2,159.88 from DA5130.4 Machinery - Contractual; a total of \$4,588.68 as follows: \$2,428.80 to Account DA5142.1 Snow removal - Personal Services (to pay salaries) and \$2,159.88 to Account DA5130.2 Machinery - Heavy Equipment (to pay for new pick-up truck) for a Total of \$4,588.68

Roll Call Vote: Aye 4 (Supervisor Robert Tebbutt, David Knapp, John Quenell, Steve Tucker) **Abstain 1** (Lydia Wright), **Nay 0**

Resolution #93 declared duly adopted.

3. **HIGHWAY GARAGE PROJECT:**

a. **Salt Shed Status:**

- i. **Construction:** Still waiting for quotes for construction of the footings of the Salt Shed. Contacted several people but there was no response. It looks like this will be a spring project. The building itself has been delivered and will winter well.
- ii. **Status of Grant:** \$15,000 of grant money is in process

b. **Old Garage Status:** Demolition of old garage has started. Highway Superintendent Don Oliver would like to store this year's salt in the old garage until the salt shed is built. Lydia Wright asked who was doing the demolition and if anything was being salvaged. John Quenell said town forces were doing the demolition. Don Oliver said it was up to the board if any thing would be salvaged; he did not know of anyone interested. Supervisor Robert Tebbutt has been mentioning it to people. Discussion was held on what was worth salvaging. A new oil furnace, overhead doors, and exhaust fans were mentioned by Don Oliver. John Quenell said an ad could be placed in the paper.

c. **Highway Garage Project Cost Status** as of October 8 was handed out to board members during the meeting.

4. **TOWN HALL LAND APA PERMIT STATUS:** Has made numerous calls to APA concerning this permit. All paper work has been completed, just waiting for final approval.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **CLASS ACCOUNTS:** **Lydia Wright** said she contacted MBIA and asked for the account transaction confirmations to be faxed to the Town Hall. This should start with the next transaction.

2. **TIPPING FEES FOR DEMOLITION OF HIGHWAY GARAGE:** **Lydia Wright** asked where the tipping fees for the demolition of the old garage were being charged. **John Quenell** said they would be charged to the Highway Garage Capital Project Fund. **David Knapp** said there was a line on the Highway Garage Project Cost Status sheet for this.

3. **STATUS OF REQUEST FOR AUDIT FROM COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE:** **Lydia Wright** read the following letter received from the Office of the State Comptroller, dated September 12, 2005, in response to the letter sent to them (Resolution #83-2005) by David Knapp:

"Dear Mr. Knapp:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated September 5, 2005 in which you request an audit of the Town of Brighton. As was discussed in a telephone conversation with Mitchell Crevar of my staff, information received from you will be included in our risk assessment process as we plan our future audits.

Thank you for bringing your concerns to our attention. If you have any questions or additional information, do not hesitate to contact our Glens Falls regional office, One Broad Street Plaza, Glens Falls, NY 12801 at (518) 793-0057.

Sincerely, Karl M. Smoczynski, Chief Examiner"

Lydia Wright asked if the Town had received other correspondence from the Comptroller's Office or if the Supervisor had spoken to them. **Supervisor Robert Tebbutt** said he had spoken to them and he was waiting for them to schedule or show up for a Risk Assessment.

John Quenell asked David Knapp if he distributed a copy of the letter he sent to the Comptroller's Office to the board. **David Knapp** said he distributed the letter when the resolution was approved. **John Quenell** said he wanted the record to show that the board did not get a copy of the letter, dated September 5, 2005, sent to the Comptroller's Office by David Knapp. **David Knapp** said he would look in his records for a copy of it.

4. **CHECK ENDORSING POLICY:** **Lydia Wright** said there was a volley of letters going between the Supervisor and the Justice concerning the endorsing of checks. She had recently received another one. She read part of a letter dated September 8, 2005 that was read at the last meeting as follows:

"To: Dominick Santagate, Town Justice

Thank you for letter of September 7. We have just been advised by the Comptroller's office that the town should have on file with all banks where we have accounts a letter stating that the bank should not cash any checks made to the order of the Town of Brighton or to any town employee where it is clear from the check that a payment is being made in connection with the employee's position with the town. We appreciate your bringing this to our attention and we are filing such letters with the banks immediately."

Lydia Wright asked who was the "we" being discussed in the letter, since the letter was signed by "Robert G. Tebbutt, Supervisor", who wrote the letters, who filed them, and could they have a copy of the letters that were sent to the banks.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said he often says "we" meaning himself or his wife and himself. He would be happy to get copies of the letters sent to the banks to Lydia Wright.

Lydia Wright said that if policy was developed it was not approved by the Board and the letters were sent to the banks before the Board reviewed them. She read two more letters she received as follows:

"October 6, 2005

To: Robert Tebbutt, Town Supervisor and Town Board of Brighton

Thank you for your prompt response to my letter dated September 7, 2005.

After reading your reply letter, dated September 8, 2005, and the minutes of the regular September Board Meeting, I feel that I must repeat my original two questions, as they appear to not have been answered.

1. Is there a Policy in place which allows anyone on the board to endorse town checks?

2. Is there a policy in place which directs the banks in which we do business to not allow checks written to Town Supervisors, Town Justice, Town Tax Collector, Town Clerk, etc. to be cashed outright, but to be endorsed only for the purpose of Deposit only?

This may seem redundant, but in light of the fact that a letter was sent out to the bank regarding this issue, I was unable to find any evidence of Board action to enact a policy. I would like a copy of the board policy to have in my file for the court.

Regarding my month end report you may include whatever you see fit into the minutes. I would suggest simply the number of cases and money collected for the month.

Respectfully,

Nik Santagate

Town Justice, Town of Brighton"

and

"October 10, 2005

To: Dominick Santagate, Town Justice

From: Robert G. Tebbutt

With regard to your recent letter, undated, which apparently was placed in my town hall mailbox sometime during the night of October 6, I do not know of the existence of written town policies in connection with either of the two questions you raise.

Sincerely

Robert G. Tebbutt”

Lydia Wright said in light of the confusion caused by these letters concerning policies she would like to ask the questions at this point. Are there policies in place and were banks notified of policies concerning cashing of checks? She has found, in the Justice’s and Tax Collector’s checking accounts over the past six months, that checks that are made out to “Robert G. Tebbutt, Chief Fiscal Officer” are being endorsed by Councilman John Quenell with no mention of “For Deposit Only”. She doesn’t understand why a council member is endorsing checks that should be endorsed by the Chief Fiscal Officer.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said because John Quenell is the assistant Chief Fiscal Officer and assistant Deputy Supervisor they sit down every week and go through all these checks. Sometimes he signs them, sometimes John Quenell signs them; whoever is going to the bank drops them off. Unless Lydia Wright wants a different policy that is the way he has been doing this.

Lydia Wright said that the position of Deputy Supervisor is a part time, in emergency only, position and only in effect when the Supervisor is unable to perform his duties. The concern is that over the past six months more checks have been endorsed by John Quenell than have been by the Supervisor. She said the town is paying the Supervisor to do the job as Chief Fiscal Officer. If they are working together then why is it so hard for the Supervisor to endorse the checks.

John Quenell said the Justice raised an excellent point. The back of the check should be marked “For Deposit Only”. He said the Supervisor has acquired rubber stamps so he can stamp the checks. He asked Lydia Wright if she thought he was stealing and did she have evidence that the checks have not been deposited.

Lydia Wright said no she was not accusing him of stealing. She said the next person may not be as honest as he is and the policy being followed now would make it easier for a dishonest person to steal. The Chief Fiscal Officer should be the one endorsing the checks since it is his job.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said he was not aware of any policy that said he had to be the one to endorse the checks and he could delegate this to anyone, even her; this is his management style.

Discussion was held as to what policy should be put into place.

RESOLUTION #94

POLICY FOR ENDORSING CHECKS

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

The Chief Fiscal Officer be the only one who can endorse checks made out to his name unless he is unable to do so.

Roll Call Vote: Aye 1 (Lydia Wright), Nay 4 (Supervisor Robert Tebbutt, David Knapp, John Quenell, Steve Tucker)

Resolution #94 declared duly rejected.

RESOLUTION #95

POLICY FOR ENDORSING CHECKS

Motion made by Supervisor Robert Tebbutt, second by John Quenell, To Wit:

All departments will endorse all checks by stamping or hand-writing “For Deposit Only” with an account number.

Roll Call Vote: Aye 5 (Supervisor Robert Tebbutt, David Knapp, John Quenell, Steve Tucker, Lydia Wright), Nay 0

Resolution #95 declared duly adopted.

5. MBIA/CLASS ACCOUNTS: Lydia Wright asked about the transfer of funds from the CLASS accounts. The only name showing up as authorizing transfers is Councilman Quenell since prior to Supervisor Robert Tebbutt taking office. Supervisor Robert Tebbutt’s name first appears on these accounts in July 2003. The information is being emailed to him. She asked why a council member is transferring funds when the Chief Fiscal Officer is the one who should be doing this.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said when he first became aware of MBIA he sat at John Quenell’s home computer and registered himself as the one who can acknowledge transfers and listed John Quenell as an alternate. It doesn’t matter who makes the transfer, every time it lists John Quenell’s name whether he makes the transfer or John Quenell makes it. It may be a computer glitch, but it doesn’t really matter since he monitors the program carefully and gets copies of all the transactions.

John Quenell said he thought maybe MBIA could be asked to change it to the Supervisor’s name so it appears as Robert Tebbutt’s name and not his.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said he already asked once.

Discussion was held concerning whose home computers had access to these accounts. Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said he did not have access from his home computer. John Quenell and Lydia Wright have access from their home computers. Lydia Wright has "read-only access" and John Quenell has the ability to transfer funds.

6. INTEREST ON THE BAN FOR HIGHWAY GARAGE CAPITAL FUND PROJECT: Lydia Wright asked for an answer to her question at a previous meeting about who made the decision to charge the interest on the BAN for the Highway Garage Capital Project to the General Fund versus the Capital Project Fund.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said the board made the decision when it approved the 2005 Budget where there is a line item in the General Fund for the interest. The board passed the budget and did not change this line.

Lydia Wright said that the board was never informed at the time of the 2005 Budget workshops that this was an option for the Town. She said that she and John Quenell are aware of the option through correspondence between him and the Comptroller's Office. She asked Supervisor Robert Tebbutt if he was aware of this option.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said he was aware of it because it was read at a budget meeting.

Discussion was held concerning this option and if the funds should come from the General Fund now or from the Capital Project Fund for the Highway Garage. Currently there is a line item in the 2006 General Fund Budget for \$8,578. The amount of interest for the Highway Garage Project will be over \$252,000. This is the cost of financing the bond in addition to the bond for the garage project. It will have to be paid from the General Fund eventually.

7. MAINTENANCE: David Knapp is still looking for someone to bid on the repair of the steps. He is trying to put together a plan for maintenance of the buildings. He will be distributing this to Town Officials for input on the individual buildings. He tested the handicap lift at the Town Hall following last month's meeting. He asked about the completion of the Highway Garage Project.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said all that is left is the salt shed, demolition of the old building and landscaping. Some things will be deferred until next year.

Lydia Wright asked about the completion of the air vent problem.

John Quenell said he called Hogan to tell him to come next week. There is no problem as long as the door is left open.

NEW BUSINESS

1. EAS CONTRACT: Lydia Wright distributed copies of the Employee Assistant Services (EAS) agreement to board members before the meeting.

RESOLUTION #96

AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN EMPLOYEE ASSISTANT SERVICES (EAS) AGREEMENT

Motion made by Lydia Wright, second by John Quenell, To Wit:

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor be authorized to sign the Employee Assistant Services (EAS) agreement between Behavioral Health Services North and the Town of Brighton as of the 1st day of October, 2005.

Roll Call Vote: Aye 5 (Supervisor Robert Tebbutt, David Knapp, John Quenell, Steve Tucker, Lydia Wright), **Nay 0**
Resolution #96 declared duly adopted.

2. INSURANCE FOR BOOKKEEPER: Lydia Wright made a motion to rescind Resolution #41-2005, ("RESOLVED that the Bookkeeper be authorized to sign Town checks, payable to the person or persons entitled thereto, with a facsimile signature of the Supervisor.") since the bookkeeper is not bonded or insured. There was no second, but discussion was held concerning this issue. Lydia Wright read an email sent to John Quenell from the insurance company expressing their concern about this issue. John Quenell said the insurance company was concerned about the additive risk for the tax collector and supervisor. Supervisor Robert Tebbutt is trying to resolve this issue by making the bookkeeper an employee of the Town instead of a contracted service so he will be covered by the Town's bonding and insurance. This will be done at a budget workshop by changing the budget.

REPORTS

1. JUSTICE (Santagate): Supervisor Robert Tebbutt reported he received \$4,241 for September 2005 fines.

2. HIGHWAY (Quenell, Tucker, Oliver):

- a. Raked dirt roads
- b. Mowed cemetery
- c. Removed dead tree from park

- d. Applied crusher run to Keese Mills Road and Split Rock Road
- e. Sand has been screened
- f. Ordered salt
- g. Started demolition of old highway garage
- h. Open Bids for 2000 Pick up Truck

RESOLUTION #97

REJECTION OF BIDS ON 2000 FORD F250 PICK-UP TRUCK WITH SNOWPLOW

Motion made by Supervisor Robert Tebbutt, **second** by John Quenell, **To Wit:**

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk received two bids for the sale of the 2000 Ford Pick-up Truck as follows:

\$3,250 from Mark Calderone

\$2,005 from Dan Honahan II

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Brighton rejects all the bids received for the 2000 Ford Pick-up Truck as too low.

Roll Call Vote: Aye 5 (Supervisor Robert Tebbutt, David Knapp, John Quenell, Steve Tucker, Lydia Wright), **Nay0**
Resolution #97 duly adopted.

RESOLUTION #98

AUTHORIZATION FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS TO RE-ADVERTISE FOR SALE UNDER BID THE 2000 FORD F250 PICK-UP TRUCK WITH SNOWPLOW

Motion made by John Quenell, **second** by Supervisor Robert Tebbutt, **To Wit:**

RESOLVED, that the Highway Superintendent is authorized to re-advertise for sale under bid the 2000 Ford F250 with snow plow and note that said bids will be received by the date of the next regular meeting, November 10, not later than 5 p.m. and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that at the meeting of November 10 the bids will be opened. The Town reserves the right to reject all bids.

Roll Call Vote: Aye 5 (Supervisor Robert Tebbutt, David Knapp, John Quenell, Steve Tucker, Lydia Wright), **Nay0**
Resolution #98 duly adopted.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt thanked Don Oliver for removing the dangerous tree from the park.

3. **INSURANCE AND INVESTMENTS (Quenell):** Received a report from Robert Blazedale, NYMIR, detailing observations made during a visit to the Town of Brighton. The report identifies problem areas that need to be addressed; six of the eight items refer to the playground, two items relate to boiler rooms. Annual inspections of the boilers in the garage and town hall are required.

Steve Tucker said that Dan Spencer has already addressed some of the items at the park. He also said it costs \$85 to have a boiler inspected.

4. **ASSESSOR (Tichenor): No Report**

5. **TAX COLLECTOR (McKernan): No Report**

6. **CODE ENFORCEMENT (Lagree): Supervisor Robert Tebbutt** said the report was distributed to board members mail boxes. (The report as of September 30, 2005 shows forty-seven building permits have been issued for 2005, eight have been completed. From 2004 there are 15 building permits open, from 2003 there are 7 open, from 2002 there are 2 open, and the 2001 permits are all completed.

7. **CEMETERY (Tucker):**

- a. A person was buried in the town cemetery today and the funeral home did not notify him of it.

- b. There are enough funds still in the cemetery account to cover the cost to survey the 4th section of the Mt. View Cemetery in Gabriels.

Motion made by Steve Tucker, **second** by John Quenell, **that the Cemetery Committee Chair, Steve Tucker, is authorized to obtain quotes from Stacy Allot of Geomatics, for the survey of the 4th section of the Mt. View Cemetery.**

Roll Call Vote: Aye 5 (Supervisor Robert Tebbutt, David Knapp, John Quenell, Steve Tucker, Lydia Wright), **Nay0**

8. **PARKS AND RECREATION (Tucker):**

- a. Septic tank was pumped out, Dan Spencer uncovered it

- b. Met with David Knapp to determine the maintenance concerns
- c. Dead tree was removed from the corner of the parking lot
- d. Dan Spencer is getting park ready for winter

9. MAINTENANCE(Knapp): (See Old Business, Para 7, Maintenance)

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said the furnace in the Town Hall is not running properly. He or David Knapp will contact someone to come look at it.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Tom Willis - Garondah Road: Ruth Hoyt sent a message inviting all the election candidates to come have lunch with the Senior Citizens of Brighton at the Tamarack Inn at noon on Wednesday, November 2, 2005.

The Brighton Town Hall Restoration Fund is currently at \$18,705. They are working with two foundations for more funding. Chris Ortloff will try next year to give funding.

He asked if the town was going to have another BAN instead of the bond; what are they waiting for?

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said short term loans have a smaller interest rate right now. This BAN is for 6 months.

Keith Smith - Keese Mills Road: This summer there was a tree cut down on the side of the road in front of his house, the stump is within 19 feet of the center line. Can the stump be removed? Also there is a 10-inch deep washout near the St. Regis Mountain parking lot that needs to be filled.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt asked John Quenell to check with the Highway Department about this. He said there have been many washouts and the Highway Department has purchased crusher run.

Kevan Moss - McColloms: Asked why the tax payers should have to pay for the insurance of an agent and take on the liability of the bookkeeper. The Town will have to pay more money for social security if they make this position an employee; bringing on new employees is not a way to cut a budget.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt explained how he reduced the cost of having a bookkeeper by hiring a CPA firm to do the bookkeeping and cut the cost in half to the town. Making the bookkeeper an employee will not be a large increase to the budget.

Kevan Moss asked if there will be a break down of the actual cost of the new garage project.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said he passes out a list of the costs each month to the Board members and she can get one from them.

Kevan Moss read, for the benefit of the public, from Town Law, Article 14 - General Improvements, Section 223. Expense of Improvement, as follows:

“The expense of any public improvement made under authority of this article, shall include the amount of all contracts the costs of all lands, and interest therein necessarily acquired, printing, publishing, interest on loans, legal and engineering services and all other expenses incurred or occasioned by reason of the improvement or project. In no event shall any contract be awarded or obligation incurred in excess of the amount specified in the resolution of the town board or in the proposition adopted at the town election.”

She said the referendum was only for \$570,000 of debt, if the project has cost more than this, then there should have been another referendum for the difference.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said from his calculations the project has not gone over budget and he will let the Board know if this happens. There are only three items left to complete the project.

Lydia Wright asked how much was left in the project.

John Quenell said there was \$21,230 left.

Discussion was held on the remaining cost of the project.

Peter Martin - County Route 60: The Board has discussed downsizing one truck during the budget sessions, why didn't the Board consider reducing the number of trucks before the Highway Garage was built.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said the person to ask was the Superintendent of Highways who is not here.

Peter Martin: Asked about the plan for the Town Hall project. He understood at a previous meeting there was not an approved plan but at a budget meeting he heard there was a plan and there was \$25,000 for the project. According to Tom Willis's report there is \$18,000 available from donations. Chris Ortloff is willing to donate some funds but will

not do so until the Betty Little funding is spent. If there is this much money the town should get moving on the project. **Supervisor Robert Tebbutt** said there is an approved Capital Project Fund and there is a plan that has not been approved by the Board.

Lydia Wright asked about the status of the \$25,000 that was discussed at a budget meeting.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said the \$25,000 was appropriated but will not be moved from the interest bearing account until it is ready to be spent.

There were no further Citizens Comments

AUDIT OF VOUCHERS

RESOLUTION #99

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY THE AUDITED VOUCHERS

Motion made by John Quenell, second by Steve Tucker, To Wit:

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

PRE-PAID: Abstract #8 for Voucher #8A through and including #8C for General Funds in the amount of \$600.13 and Street Lighting Funds in the amount of \$52.12

GENERAL FUND: Abstract #10 for Voucher #220 through and including #242 for General Funds in the amount of \$11,682.75 and Other Funds in the amount of \$5,181

HIGHWAY FUND: Abstract #10 for Voucher #85 through and including #99 for funds in the amount of \$17,696.30

CAPITAL PROJECT (HIGHWAY GARAGE) FUND: Abstract #19 for Voucher #70 in the amount of \$2,800.00

Roll Call Vote: Aye 5 (Supervisor Robert Tebbutt, David Knapp, John Quenell, Steve Tucker, Lydia Wright), Nay 0

Resolution #99 declared duly adopted.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn made at 9:03 p.m by John Quenell, Second by Lydia Wright, Aye 5

Respectfully Submitted,

**Elaine Sater
Brighton Town Clerk**