

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Brighton was held on Thursday, October 14, 2004, at 7:00 p.m. at the Brighton Town Hall, Paul Smiths, NY, with the following:

PRESENT: Supervisor Robert Tebbutt

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

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Elaine Sater - Town Clerk, Don Oliver - Superintendent of Highways, Nik Santagate - Town Justice, and Amber McKernan – Tax Collector

RESIDENTS: There were ten residents present.

GUESTS: None

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by John Quenell **to accept the Minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting of September 9, 2004, as written, second** by Steve Tucker

Roll Call Vote: Aye 5 (Knapp, Tebbutt, Quenell, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0

Motion made by Supervisor Robert Tebbutt **to accept the Minutes of the Special Town Board Meeting of September 28, 2004, as written, second** by John Quenell

Roll Call Vote: Aye 5 (Knapp, Tebbutt, Quenell, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0

TOWN CLERK REPORT

Total Revenue to Supervisor as of September 30, 2004, was \$411.27

1 DEC Sport Licenses

1 Certified Copy

5 FOIL Requests

23 Dog Licenses

3 Building Permits (BRI2004-36 through 38)

3 Park Use Donations

2 Copies

1. Faxed a Public Notice to the Adirondack Daily Enterprise on September 23, 2004, Re: Special Board Meeting on Tuesday, September 28, 2004, at 5 p.m. Notices were posted in the three Post Offices and in local business as well as on the Town Clerk's Sign Board.
2. Tentative Budget for 2005 was filed with the Town Clerk and put in Board Members Boxes on September 23.
3. Received information dated September 2004 from the Department of State, Re: General Municipal Law Section 209cc, this requires that people who own, possess or harbor a wild animal must report its presence to the Town Clerk annually by April 1. The Town Clerk shall forward a copy of the report to each state police troop, county sheriff, and municipal police agency having jurisdiction over the location of the animal, as well as to the fire departments, ambulance departments, and emergency medical service departments serving such locations. There are civil penalties for people not submitting the reports.
4. Faxed a Public Notice to the Adirondack Daily Enterprise on September 29, Re: Special Board Meeting on Friday, October 1, at 8 a.m. Notices were posted in the three Post Offices and in local business as well as on the Town Clerk's Sign Board at the Town Hall.
5. Local Registration Days were held on Oct 6 and 9. The forms were taken to the Board of Elections on Tuesday, October 12.
6. October 12, 2004, the Town Clerk's Office was closed to attend Local Government Day in Potsdam
7. Notification was received from the State Comptroller's Office of an Interactive Satellite Teleconference scheduled for Thursday, October 14. Information was distributed to the Board.
8. Town Hall Schedule: Budget Meetings - Oct 19, 21, 26 and 28 from 6 – 8 p.m.
9. Park Schedule: October 3 - Paul Smith's College Rugby Team 12 to 4 p.m., October 5 & 7 – Mountaineer Rugby - 5:15 - 7:15 p.m.

John Quenell asked Justice Santagate if the Tuesday meetings would interfere with Court activity. Justice Santagate said not as long as he could come in during the meetings.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

- a. **FINANCIAL REPORT:** Budget Report for period ending September 30, 2004, was distributed before the meeting to each Board member for review.
- b. **HIGHWAY GARAGE PROJECT:** Ground breaking started on October 4, 2004, all appears to be on schedule. There is a picture on the website of the work in progress
- c. **ADJUSTMENT OF NMP BILL FOR PARK LIGHTING:** The Town received \$734.29 from Niagara Mohawk (NIMO) for over billing on an extra pole light at the park.
- d. **VOTING MACHINE REPLACEMENT:** Received a letter from the County Board of Elections, dated September 27, 2004, Re: Resolution for centralization of voting machines.

RESOLUTION #97

AUTHORIZATION TO PETITION FRANKLIN COUNTY LEGISLATORS FOR CENTRALIZATION OF VOTING MACHINES BY COUNTY

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

WHEREAS, the Federal Government has mandated under the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) the purchase and implementation of voting machines with approved technology by January 1, 2006; and,

WHEREAS, without the action of the State of New York or the Legislators of Franklin County to consolidate the administration of these machines under the County Board of Elections, the individual towns must accept the responsibility of purchasing, programming, training, and administration of the new machines, a cost of which could be as high as \$8,000 per machine, for full implementation and voter education to be borne solely by the town;

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Brighton petition the Legislators of Franklin County to pass the necessary legislation to consolidate the authority of the Board of Elections so that the central administration of the new voting machines may be accomplished.

Roll Call Vote: Aye 5 (Tebbutt, Knapp, Quenell, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0

Resolution #97 declared duly adopted.

- e. **TOWN HALL LAND:** The Adirondack Park Agency (APA) wants the Town to resolve the encroachment by the Town at the front and back of the Town Hall before they will issue a permit for transferring the property from Paul Smith's College to the Town. A letter was sent to the NYS Department of Transportation requesting an agreement to use the land in the front of the Town Hall. Discussion was held on using the land at the back of the Town Hall, currently people use it for parking and the Town Garage has equipment stored on it. The Highway Department will move their equipment to the other side of the road once the new Town Garage is built. The ability to continue to use the land at the back of the Town Hall for parking will have to be looked into further. The Attorney for the Town will have to be consulted to resolve this issue. There is a Conservation Easement on the land owned by Paul Smith's College.
- f. **HIGHWAY GARAGE LAND PURCHASE:** The Attorney for the Town is close to finalizing the deed for the purchase of the land where the new Highway Garage is being built.
- g. **TRACTOR PURCHASE:** Discussion was held concerning the replacement of the John Deere JD850 tractor for the Highway Department. Lydia Wright asked if it would be less expensive to lease the machine. Superintendent of Highways, Don Oliver, said leasing was not considered; the purchase is from State Contract. Steve Tucker said the price was good for the size of the tractor. The Town will have to budget for new implements to be used on the new tractor, since the old ones cannot be used on the newer model.

RESOLUTION #98

AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE A NEW HOLLAND TN78 TRACTOR - HIGHWAY FUNDS

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

WHEREAS, the Town Board budgeted \$20,000 to replace a new tractor for the Highway Department, and

WHEREAS, the current tractor (a John Deere JD850) is 25 years old and cannot effectively push a broom on the roads, and

WHEREAS, the JD 850 tractor can be used at the Park to remove snow from the skating rink,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Highway Department be authorized to purchase a New Holland TN78 Tractor from the State Contract for \$16,965 from Highway Funds.

Roll Call Vote: Aye 4 (Tebbutt, Knapp, Quenell, Tucker), Nay 1 (Wright),

Resolution #98 declared duly adopted.

- h. FOOD PANTRY CONTRACT:** The agreement between St. Paul's/Assumption Church Food Pantry and Town of Brighton has expired.

RESOLUTION #99

AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN AGREEMENT WITH FOOD PANTRY

Motion made by Supervisor Robert Tebbutt, **second** by David Knapp, **To Wit:**

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is authorized to sign the contract renewing the St. Paul's/Assumption Church Food Pantry use of the Town Hall for a period from July 1, 2004 to July 1, 2005.

Roll Call Vote: Aye 5 (Tebbutt, Knapp, Quenell, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0

Resolution #99 declared duly adopted

- i. LANDFILL TESTING:** Sent a letter to Department of Environmental Conservation requesting a general variance for landfill testing. No response received as of this meeting.

j. SERVICE CONTRACTS AND PAYMENTS:

a. Emergency Services Contract:

RESOLUTION #100

AUTHORIZATION FOR FINAL 2004 INSTALLMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES CONTRACT

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

WHEREAS, the Town of Brighton agreed to contract with the Village of Saranac Lake for provision of emergency services during the year 2004 in Resolution #21-2004, and

WHEREAS, the contract cost for services in 2004 was \$18,128.57, and

WHEREAS, the Town has paid one installment for \$9,064.29, leaving a second installment of \$9,064.28 due, and

WHEREAS, the total annual payment of \$18,128.57 has been provided for in the Town's 2004 budget,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is authorized to pay the Village of Saranac Lake the remaining installment of \$9,064.28 for emergency services.

Roll Call Vote: Aye 5 (Tebbutt, Knapp, Quenell, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0

Resolution #100 declared duly adopted.

b. Saranac Lake Area Youth Program:

RESOLUTION #101

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY FOR SL AREA YOUTH PROGRAM

Motion made by Supervisor Robert Tebbutt, **second** by Steve Tucker, **To Wit:**

WHEREAS, the Town of Brighton entered into an intermunicipal agreement on July 9, 2003, to participate in the Saranac Lake Area Youth Program, and

WHEREAS, youth from the Town attend the program, and

WHEREAS, the Town in its 2004 budget provided for a payment of \$1,000 to help support the program,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is authorized to pay the Village of Saranac Lake \$1,000 to support the Saranac Lake Area Youth Program.

Roll Call Vote: Aye 5 (Tebbutt, Knapp, Quenell, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0

Resolution #101 declared duly adopted.

c. Saranac Lake Civic Center:

RESOLUTION #102

AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN CONTRACT AND PAY FOR SL CIVIC CENTER CONTRACT

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

WHEREAS, the Saranac Lake Civic Center, Inc, a not-for-profit corporation was founded for the purposes of promoting activities for the benefit of the greater Saranac Lake area through the use, operation, development, and maintenance of a Civic Center and to develop a public interest in ice hockey, figure skating, and other recreational activities involving the use of the Center; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Brighton wishes to utilize the facilities of the Saranac Lake Civic Center on Ampersand Avenue in Saranac Lake for the activities of the Town of Brighton residents

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Brighton agrees to subsidize the ongoing expense of providing use of the Civic Center on a year-round basis for said residents for the 2004 calendar year. In return for providing the facilities of the Saranac Lake Civic Center for the above-mentioned purposes, the Town of Brighton agrees to pay the Saranac Lake Civic Center, Inc., the sum of \$1,500.00 for 2004, and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is authorized to pay to the Saranac Lake Civic Center, Inc, \$1,500 for use of Civic Center Services during 2004.

Roll Call Vote: Aye 5 (Tebbutt, Knapp, Quenell, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0

Resolution #102 declared duly adopted.

k. SPEED LIMIT ON STATE ROUTE 86 IN GABRIELS: Received a letter dated September 9, 2004, from Barbara Ryan, Gabriels, Re: Extending the Speed Limit on State Route 86 in Gabriels, she would like the Town to request that the NYS Department of Transportation (DOT) extend the 40 mile-per-hour speed limit beyond the Hobart Road since the new highway reconstruction is making a speedway. Discussion was held and the Board tabled the request. The Board would like to see a petition from more people before any further action is taken. Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said he would write a letter in reply to Barbara Ryan's letter. (Barbara Ryan entered the meeting after this decision.) She said the letter was a moot point because she spoke with Mr. Maroun from DOT recently. He showed her on the highway reconstruction plans where the speed limit is being moved back to the its original place near the location of the old school house which is where she was requesting it be moved. Barbara Ryan said the only issue now is enforcement of the speed limit. The Town should purchase a speed indicator sign with a camera and the machine would pay for itself in a year from the fines received from tickets issued.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said the Town already has access to a speed indicator machine that can be put up after the highway reconstruction is completed.

l. 2005 BUDGET: An updated Tentative 2005 Budget was distributed to the Board members. This update includes expenses as of September 30, 2004.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. ADIRONDACK WATERSHED INSTITUTE (AWI) - John Quenell: Michael DeAngelo conducted a dye test on the Town Hall water and it passed. He also did coliform testing up and down stream from the Town Hall. The results from these tests are not available as of this meeting.

2. APA PERMIT FOR TOWN HIGHWAY GARAGE: David Knapp had questions on the Adirondack Park Agency (APA) permit that was filed with Franklin County for the new Highway Garage Project. He asked why Paul Smith's College was also named on the permit.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said Paul Smith's College was on the permit because they asked to be since they own the land where the garage is being built.

David Knapp asked about the paragraph discussing the disposal of the debris from the old garage when it is torn down. There has been discussion of using the debris as fill around the Town but the permit is very explicit about what has to happen to the debris. He asked how close the Town has to follow the permit.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said he and John Quenell had a discussion a year ago with the APA about using the debris for other purposes and the APA seemed to be open to other uses.

Discussion was held on where else the debris could be used as fill.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt introduced Gordy Crossman, County Legislature District #3 candidate, who has been helping the Town to arrange for trucks to transport the debris. He has also been asked to get tipping fees waived or reduced.

David Knapp asked about the size of the salt shed and if it was going to be reduced. He also asked how long a period the APA permit covers.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said the salt shed was not going to be built this year. He thought the permit was good until the project was completed.

Lydia Wright questioned some minor factual discrepancies she found in the APA Permit. For example: the project site is listed as Jones Pond Road also known as County Route 55 but the site is on County Route 31; the plan calls for a 5-bay garage and she thought a 4-bay garage was being built; the permit quotes a plan from North Woods Engineering dated April 25, 2003, which would have been the plan with Town Offices included, the plan should be from 2004; the permit calls for the waste to be disposed of at a DEC approved disposal site and any other proposal should be submitted for review and approval; and the permit says there are 21 employees that work in the garage. She asked if this permit was written up with the impression that the Town Offices were going to be a part of this project. These factual discrepancies should have been corrected before the permit was filed but since it is already filed the corrections should be made right away.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said some of these errors were “typos” and that the APA was aware of what the Town meant to do with this project. The fifth bay was the cold bay. He would get with the APA and correct these errors.

3. CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER: Lydia Wright asked if the Code Enforcement Officer was going to be at this meeting as she requested at the last meeting.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said he spoke with the Code Enforcement Officer and he was supposed to contact her directly to discuss her concerns. He was not able to attend this meeting.

Lydia Wright said she was asking for other people and she was not asking for herself personally. People are asking about the results of the citations given out by the Town for junkyards. She would still like to see the Code Enforcement Officer attend a meeting so people can ask him questions.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. NOTIFICATION OF SPECIAL MEETINGS – Lydia Wright: She would like to have a telephone call if there is a Special Meeting called. The email is not a good way for her to be informed of meetings since it is only at her work and she doesn't always have access to it. David Knapp said he would prefer a telephone call also. Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said he did not feel he should have to call every board member to notify them since he sends an email and the Town Clerk posts a notice for the public. John Quenell said he was satisfied with getting an email for notification.

RESOLUTION #103

NOTIFICATION OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETINGS BY TELEPHONE

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

WHEREAS, the previous board accepted email as a means of being notified of Special Meetings, and

WHEREAS, board members of the current board do not always have access to email,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the telephone will be the number one method used to contact board members for notification of Special Meetings.

Roll Call Vote: Aye 3 (Knapp, Tucker, Wright), Nay 2 (Quenell, Tebbutt)

Resolution #103 declared duly adopted.

2. WEBSITE: Lydia Wright asked if the Website was owned by the Town. **John Quenell** said it was. **Lydia Wright** said that the Webmaster has changed the May 25, 2004, minutes on the Website by adding attachments of letters he submitted to the Board. There are other minutes with attachments that have not been added such as Highway Garage Costs and a letter submitted by Jeanne St. John. **John Quenell** said he puts the draft copy of the minutes on the Website as they are given to him by the Town Clerk. John Quenell said he would include attachments to the minutes if the Town Clerk would email them to him. He said he could put a statement on the Web page stating that the official copies of the minutes are on file with the Town Clerk. **Lydia Wright** said that any changes to the minutes on the Website should be cleared with the Town Clerk since her name is on each set of minutes. She asked if the Town would purchase a scanner so that the Town Clerk can add the attachments to the

emailed version of the minutes. This will be discussed with the Budget. **John Quenell** asked Lydia Wright to give him a list of things he should change in the minutes currently on the Website. **Lydia Wright** said at any place where it says, “attached”. **John Quenell** asked if he needed to do any remedial work done to any minutes from the past. **Lydia Wright** said not that she was aware of at this point.

3. **PAYMENTS TO CONTRACTORS FOR GARAGE PROJECT:** **David Knapp** asked if there was a schedule for making payments on the Highway Garage Project. Discussion was held on how contractors can request payments. North Woods Engineering submitted requests for payments to contractors for approval at this meeting.

REPORTS

1. **COURT (Santagate):**

- a. 54 cases were disposed and \$3,911 was sent to the State Comptroller’s Office as of September 30
- b. Performing lots of marriage ceremonies.

2. **HIGHWAY COMMITTEE (Quenell/Oliver):**

- a. Installed new chains in sand trucks
- b. Finished shoulder work on County Route 31, worked with the County crew
- c. Cleaned beaver dams from culverts on Keese’s Mills Road
- d. Getting vehicles ready for snow season.
- e. Finished installing metal roof on garage at cemetery
- f. Received letter dated September 21, 2004, from Paul Smith’s College, Re: Signs on Keese’s Mills Road; thank you for installing horse warning signs on either side of the Paul Smith’s College Horse Barn

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt thanked the Highway Department for the work done on the cemetery garage roof and asked Don Oliver to pass the thanks on to the Highway employees.

3. **INSURANCE/INVESTMENTS (Quenell):** NYMIR has quoted \$444.90 for Builder’s Risk Insurance for the Highway Garage Project.

RESOLUTION #104

AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE BUILDER’S RISK INSURANCE

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

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is authorized to pay New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal the amount of \$444.90 for Builder’s Risk Insurance for the Highway Garage Project.

Roll Call Vote: Aye 5 (Tebbutt, Knapp, Quenell, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0

Resolution #104 declared duly adopted.

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

5. **TAX COLLECTOR (McKernan):**

- a. Received 10 phone calls and one email requesting tax information.
- b. Received notification from the Office of Real Property Services in Albany regarding the distribution of 2004 STAR Administrative Aid. Has not received this notice before, the letter says the Town will receive a check in November 2004 for \$429.78. Asked if the Supervisor had received the same letter, she would provide him a copy if he needed one.
- c. Submitted a request for funds to purchase software for 2005. The vendor will allow a letter of intent to authorize the purchase of the software before the funds are available in January 2005 so the Tax Collector can set up the software before the tax season begins. She needs to know when the budget will be passed.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said the budget would be passed early in November.

6. **ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER (Crary):** No Report

7. **CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER (Lagree):** Nothing reported

8. **CEMETERY (Tucker):** Entrances to the cemetery in Gabriels have been reconstructed due to the State Highway reconstruction.
9. **PARKS AND RECREATION (Tucker):** Dan Spencer is getting the Park ready for winter. He rebuilt the horseshoe pits.
10. **HISTORIAN (P. Willis):** Tom Willis is not longer a Co-Historian. The plaque for noting that the Town Hall is now on the Historical Register has been put up on the outside of the Town Hall. A printed version of the citation has been put up inside the Town Hall.
11. **COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS (T. Willis):** Nothing to report. He will be at the budget workshop meetings.
12. **TOWN HALL CITIZENS' COMMITTEE (THCC):** Pat Willis reported on a meeting of the THCC from September 28, 2004. Carl Stearns provided a plan of the Town Hall project to the Committee that has been distributed to the Board. There are two piers under the Town Hall that are tilted and the Board will have to address that issue. Pat Willis asked the Board to approve sending a letter to the Attorney for the Town to review the project so far and to render an opinion as to whether the Committee is proceeding appropriately, especially for requesting donations. There may be a requirement to conduct "test pits" for archeological digs around the Town Hall if a grant is received from the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). An archeologist has offered to do this at cost for \$500. The amount of this service is usually around \$5,000. This amount can be used against the grant as matching funds if the Town is approved for the grant. The work cannot be done too early or it will not count for the SHPO grant.

RESOLUTION #105

AUTHORIZATION TO CONTACT ATTORNEY FOR THE TOWN

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

RESOLVED, that Mrs. Patricia Willis be authorized to mail to the Attorney for the Town, Scott Goldie, a letter asking for a legal opinion in connection with the Town Hall Project, consisting of the draft letter dated October 15, 2004 (attached) provided to the Town Board for review.

Roll Call Vote: Aye 5 (Tebbutt, Knapp, Quenell, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0

Resolution #105 declared duly adopted.

CITIZENS COMMENTS:

Margaret Pierce – NY State Route 86: Said she was here for the same old thing (concerning junk yards). **(Justice Santagate left the room)**

She would like to know if there were two different laws in the Town. She was given 10 days to clean up her yard, but everyone else was given 30 days except for him (her neighbor) who has been given four years. She said when she spoke to the Supervisor last week he said the issue was before a court but she did not know which one. She is trying to sell her house and has lost another prospective buyer because of her neighbor. She said people don't want to live near a junkyard. She pointed out that the Code Enforcement Officer's (CEO's) name was listed on the agenda and she wanted to know why he was not at the meeting to answer questions. The Supervisor told her that the CEO would be at this meeting.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said he told her the issue was before the court and not before the Board. The Code Enforcement Officer issued the citations and he could not make it to this meeting. He hoped the Code Enforcement Officer would come to another meeting.

Margaret Pierce asked the Supervisor if he would buy her house and he said no. She said that something needed to be done so she could sell her house and not have to bring the issue to the Board anymore. She would go as high as (Governor) Pataki if this issued couldn't be resolved at the Town level. She said this issue came before the Board a few years ago and she was told that because both owners were not named on the subpoena nothing could be done about the problem. She said this was not true. She said that cars were now for sale in the yard and she would go to the APA about it.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said he would ask the Code Enforcement Officer to contact her to answer her questions. She can contact him at the Town Hall on Wednesdays.

Lydia Wright said the Code Enforcement Officer should be here at the meeting to answer questions.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said he would contact the Code Enforcement Officer and ask him what meeting he could attend and he will let Margaret Pierce know the date.

Art Robertson – Split Rock Road: Thanked Gordy Crossman for attending the meeting, he would like to see him there at least once a year. He said if Mr. Crossman would notify the public that he is going to attend a meeting more people might come with questions. Art Robertson said he liked Lydia Wright's idea about the phone call; he does not have access to email either. He also asked when the assessment was going to be updated. The County Real Property Office told him that he was reassessed in 2004.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said the reassessment was usually conducted every three years and it would be done in 2005.

Amber McKernan said the assessment in 2005 would affect the 2006 taxes.

Amber McKernan: The light at the end of the Rainbow Lake Road (County Route 60) has not been on for a long time. Once the lines were finished being moved (due to Highway Reconstruction) it should be turned back on. It is very difficult to see to turn onto the Rainbow Lake Road (County Route 60). There is a tree in the Park that has reached the end of its lifetime and it should be taken down. The hours of the Park Attendant have been sporadic lately. There has not been anyone to open the Field House for people who are using the Park such as the Rugby players on Saturday afternoon. She thought the Park Attendant hours started at 12:30 p.m. on the weekend.

Pat Willis: She asked if the Board would send a letter of intent for the archeologist. She will write the letter for the Board if necessary.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said she could write a letter for the Board to approve.

Tom Willis – Garondah Road: Asked how many people registered during the Local Registration Days. The **Town Clerk** said she did not know she only delivered the forms to the Board of Elections for the Election Inspectors who collected the forms.

Tom Willis: Asked if there was anything in the Food Pantry Contract that precluded the Food Pantry from moving into the new Town Highway Garage once it was available.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said he didn't think so.

Tom Willis: Asked if routine maintenance was ever done on the (Handicap) Lift at the Town Hall. It would probably be used during the Election.

David Knapp said he asked Fred Lee to do the work and he has been unable to do so right away due to health. He will contact Fred Lee to determine if it can be done before Election Day.

Peter Martin – County Route 60: The local newspaper ran article on "electioneering" taking place during a Town election. The information came from one Board meeting. No other article has been written on this issue even though the Board received more information on this issue during other Board meetings. The Town Clerk was asked to apologize to John Quenell when he accused her of lying to the Board. A letter from a voter was submitted to the Board showing that John Quenell lied to the Town in his letter saying no other voters were in the room at the time. The Board should do something to make John Quenell apologize to the people involved. Both sides of the issue should be presented in the paper not just one side.

Supervisor Robert Tebbutt said he did some research and contacted the Comptroller's Office. He cannot make any Board member do anything. He thought this issue had disappeared and gone away. No laws were broken. He can do nothing about this issue.

Peter Martin: Suggested that if John Quenell as a board member could not apologize to the people involved for making a false statement in a letter then he should resign his position. The public can't trust John Quenell because he has misled the people of the Town and the people in this room who pay taxes and pay his salary. At a meeting the Town Clerk was raked over the coals and she apologized for something she made a legitimate complaint about. As a taxpayer he sees a problem with the Board not dealing the same way with people.

There were no further comments from the citizens.

AUDIT OF VOUCHERS:

RESOLUTION #106

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY VOUCHERS

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

RESOLVED to authorize the Supervisor to pay the bills listed on the Abstracts as follows:

PREPAID – ALL FUNDS: Abstract #7 for Vouchers #7A through and including #7D as follows:
General Fund in the amount of \$518.87 and Street Lighting District in the amount of \$52.01.

GENERAL FUND: Abstract #13 for Voucher #234 through and including #255 for funds in the amount of \$17,984.92

HIGHWAY FUND: Abstract #10 for Voucher #95 thought and including #105 for funds in the amount of \$15,868.49

CAPITAL PROJECT HIGHWAY GARAGE: Abstract #6 for Voucher #14 through and including #19 in the amount of \$34,094.24

Roll Call Vote: Aye 5 (Tebbutt, Knapp, Quenell, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0

Resolution #106 declared duly adopted.

Motion made by John Quenell **to Adjourn the Regular Board Meeting at 9:05 p.m.**, **second** by David Knapp, Aye 5 (Tebbutt, Knapp, Quenell Tucker, Wright), Nay 0

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine W. Sater
Brighton Town Clerk