

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

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A Special Town Board Meeting of the Town of Brighton was held on Thursday, April 6, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. at the Brighton Town Hall, 12 County Road 31, Paul Smiths, NY, as follows:

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting was Called to Order by Supervisor Peter Martin at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

PRESENT: Supervisor Peter Martin, Sr.

Council Members: David Knapp, and Lydia Wright

ABSENT: Council Members: Sheila Delarm and Steve Tucker

OTHERS PRESENT: Elaine Sater - Town Clerk and Nik Santagate - Town Justice

RESIDENTS: There were five residents present

NOTICE OF MEETING: Notice of this meeting was faxed to the Adirondack Daily Enterprise and published on March 31, 2006. Notices were posted on the Town Clerk's sign board in front of the Town Hall and at local post offices and businesses on Wednesday, March, March 29.

NEW BUSINESS

TOWN HALL RESTORATION AND ADDITION PROJECT: Discussion was held concerning the plans created by Crawford and Stearns dated November 18, 2005. **Kevan Moss** pointed out a few changes that should be made before the plans are finalized. The furniture should be removed from the plan (Page A-1) so bidders do not think they must provide it. The landscaping, stairs and concert foundation should all be part of one contract. The person who gave the lowest quote for the stairs never did the job so it should be added back into the complete project. Bid alternatives were discussed for a back door on the addition and the court room bench as a permanent fixture. The Justice provided guidance for security features needed by the court; entrances should be kept to a minimum and private chambers for youthful offenders or prisoner detainment are needed.

Lydia Wright will contact Crawford and Stearns to discuss changes to the plans (page A-1) and get a stamped copy. She will get a quote from Crawford and Stearns for the bid process.

Supervisor Peter Martin said he would like an estimate cost for the project and once the plans are approved it will open up other sources of funds for the project. He would like to see the project done in three phases: The foundation, the addition, and then the inside of the Town Hall.

Kevan Moss said a "Clerk of the Works" should be hired and she has an interested person.

Tom Willis gave a report of funds from the Town Hall Restoration and Addition Project Fund. Currently there is \$21,295 from 89 contributors and another \$1,000 coming in May 2006. He applied to two foundations and will get answers in June. Letters were sent to Assemblyman Chris Ortloff, Senator Betty Little, Representative McHugh, and Senators Shumer and Clinton requesting funding. McHugh, Little, and Ortloff have responded and will try to provide funding.

Supervisor Peter Martin said that the Willis need to let the Board know from whom the Fund is requesting support so when people ask the board questions they will be aware of it. He also addressed people's concern about being taxed for the Town Hall Project. Funding for the Town Hall project will not come from further taxes at the local level.

A decision on the plans will be made at the next regular Board meeting on April, 13, 2006, when all the council members are present.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn at 8:45 p.m. **made** by David Knapp, **second** by Lydia Wright, **Aye 3, Nay 0, Absent 2**

Respectfully Submitted,

Elaine Sater
Brighton Town Clerk