

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

August 14, 2006

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A Special Town Board Meeting of the Town of Brighton was held on Monday, August 14, 2006, at 6:00 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 6:06 p.m.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

PRESENT: Supervisor Peter Martin, Council Members: Sheila Delarm, David Knapp and Steve Tucker

ABSENT: Council Member Lydia Wright

OTHERS: Elaine Sater - Town Clerk

RESIDENTS: There were no residents present

GUESTS: None

NOTICE OF MEETING: Notice of this meeting was faxed to the Adirondack Daily Enterprise on Thursday, August 10, 2006, and posted on the Town Clerk's Sign Board. Notices were posted at local post offices and businesses on Friday, August 11.

OLD BUSINESS

RESCUE SERVICES WITH VILLAGE OF SARANAC LAKE: Discussion was held concerning what the Town is willing to pay for Rescue Services with the Village of Saranac Lake Fire and Rescue Department. Some meetings have been held with the Town of Harrietstown and other surrounding towns who also pay for rescue services. The Village of Saranac Lake has proposed using the assessment value of the property in the towns to determine each towns' portion of the cost of the rescue service. The Town of Brighton only contracts for Rescue Services so costs for Fire Services are not included. The Village has proposed a budget of \$384,609 as of June 12, 2006 for Rescue Services. The portion allotted to the Town of Brighton would be about \$50,443.88 an increase of \$31,582.91 over 2006. Supervisor Peter Martin proposed a cost structure based on the average number of rescue calls for each of the towns using 47 calls for the Town of Brighton. A proposal for \$440,000 for rescue services was received from CVPH in Plattsburgh by the Town of Harrietstown.

RESOLUTION # 73

AUTHORIZATION TO PRESENT ALTERNATE COST OPTIONS FOR RESCUE SERVICES

Motion made by David Knapp, **Second** by Sheila Delarm, **To Wit:**

WHEREAS, an average cost of \$1,100 per rescue call has been proposed by the Village of Saranac Lake for rescue services based on the assessed value of the Town of Brighton, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Brighton is currently paying an average of \$401 per rescue call for an average of 47 calls per year over the years 2002 to 2005,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Supervisor Peter Martin is authorized to formulate figures in a spreadsheet and present three different cost options based on the average number of rescue calls per town to the Village of Saranac Lake, the other towns (Santa Clara, St. Armand, Harrietstown, and Franklin) who contract with the Village of Saranac Lake for rescue services, and the Saranac Lake Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye 4 (Delarm, Knapp, Martin, Tucker), Nay 0, Absent 1 (Wright)

RESOLUTION # 73 declared duly adopted.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn at 8:34 p.m. **made** by David Knapp, **second** by Sheila Delarm, **Aye 4, Nay 0, Absent 1 (Wright)**

Respectfully Submitted,

Elaine Sater
Brighton Town Clerk