

**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, December 21, 2006, at 4:00 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 4:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS**

**PRESENT:** Supervisor Peter Martin, Council Members: Sheila Delarm, David Knapp, and Lydia Wright

**ABSENT:** Council member Steve Tucker

**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, December 21, 2006. The notice was posted on the Town Clerk's sign board.

- 1. PARK LEASE WITH PAUL SMITH COLLEGE:** Supervisor Peter Martin received a lease from Paul Smith's College to continue the lease on the Park property for 5 years. The Board compared the new lease to the old lease. The new lease is asking for an increase in the liability insurance coverage to \$3 million. The Town's policy is only for \$2 million. A copy of the Certificate of Insurance should be sent to the College. Tabled until Sheila Delarm can contact NYMIR for a quote on the rate increase for liability insurance of \$3 million.

**Council Member Lydia Wright left the meeting at 4:45 p.m.**

- 2. RESCUE SERVICES CONTRACT:** Supervisor Peter Martin and Sheila Delarm attended a meeting on December 20 with the other towns effected by the Rescue Services contract. They agreed to send a letter to the Village of Saranac Lake requesting an extension to the old contract with a 20% increase to the 2006 payment. Each Board needs to approve the letter and send it. This is a \$3,772.19 increase for the Town from \$18,860.97 to \$22,633.16. The Town does not agree to using the assessed value of the Town for determining the rate for rescue services. The towns would like to set up a advisory board to carry on negotiations with the Village Board. The Board should appoint a representative for the Town.

**RESOLUTION #103**

**AUTHORIZATION TO SEND LETTER TO VILLAGE OF SARANAC LAKE FOR RESCUE SERVICES**

**Motion made** by Supervisor Peter Martin, **Second** by David Knapp, **to Wit:**

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board does not agree with using the assessed property value of the Town for determining the cost of rescue service to the Town, and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Saranac Lake has increased the final 3-year value to be paid by the Town from about \$42,000 to almost \$53,000, and

**WHEREAS**, the towns effected by the increase in cost of rescue service would like to negotiate in good faith with the Village,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to send the following letter to the Village of Saranac Lake concerning the continuation of a Rescue Service Contract:

**"This letter is to confirm that the town does have every intention of continuing to contract with the Village of Saranac Lake for Rescue Services. In as much as the current contract between the Village and the town is set to expire on 12/31/06, we offer the following as an interim contract while we continue to negotiate a fair and reasonable, longer term, contract for these services. Both the Town and the Village agree to a six month extension of the current contract that the town has with the Village for the above mentioned services with a 20% increase. This six month extension will allow sufficient time for the Village and Town to work out the actual contract and all the provisions (currently under discussions) that should be found in the new contract. This semi-annual payment will be deducted from the final negotiated settlement that arises from the on going discussion during this time."**, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the amount of \$11,316.58 (half the 20% increase of \$22,633.16) be authorized as payment for Rescue Services for six months.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** Aye 3 (Delarm, Knapp, Martin), Nay 0, Absent 2 (Tucker, Wright)

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**RESOLUTION #103 declared duly adopted.**

- 3. DISCHARGE OF MORTGAGE HUD PROJECT #92-14:** Received a letter, dated December 21, 2006, from an attorney representing a resident who is requesting a Discharge of Mortgage for HUD Project #92-14 in the amount of \$7,500, dated December 5, 1995. The terms of the mortgage are after 5 years no repayment is required. The resident closed on the sale of the property today. The attorney will file the discharge with Franklin County on Friday, December 22, at no charge to the Town.

**RESOLUTION #104**

**AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE A MORTGAGE OF \$7,500 FOR HUD PROJECT #92-14**

**Motion made** by Supervisor Peter Martin, **Second** by David Knapp, **To Wit:**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Brighton secured by mortgage, dated December 5<sup>th</sup>, 1995, a Town of Brighton Housing Rehabilitation Program loan in the amount of Seven Thousand Five Hundred dollars (\$7,500) and such mortgage was recorded in Liber 488 of Mortgages at pages 284 through 288 in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Franklin, and

**WHEREAS**, the mortgage contains a provision that the mortgagor will abide by all terms of a certain "Note and Mortgage", and

**WHEREAS**, the terms of the "Note and Mortgage" have been met including the completion of five years from the date of the mortgage on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of December 1995, to end without repayment of the principal or accrued interest, **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Supervisor of the Town is authorized to sign and issue a Discharge of Mortgage for HUD Project #92-14, a mortgage dated the 5<sup>th</sup> day of December 1995 in the amount of \$7,500 as recorded in Liber 488 of Mortgages at pages 284 through 288 in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Franklin.

**ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye 3 (Delarm, Knapp, Martin), Nay 0, Absent 2 (Tucker, Wright)**

**RESOLUTION #104 declared duly adopted.**

**OLD BUSINESS**

- 1. DECALS FOR TRUCKS: David Knapp** spoke with Kevan Moss about the design of the Town signs to use on the decals. The design was hand drawn and given to Ned Lemieux who made the signs. David will contact him for further information.
- 2. REPORTS BY DEPARTMENTS: Supervisor Peter Martin** spoke with Andy McGill, Superintendent of Highways for Santa Clara, he said he does not give a report to his Board.
- 3. WHITE PINE ROAD BRIDGE: David Knapp** spoke with Don Oliver concerning the bridge on the White Pine Road. He looked at the bridge on the road to the Water Treatment Plant in Saranac Lake, it was build over the bridge already there. **Supervisor Peter Martin** said there is no place near the White Pine Road Bridge to put up a temporary bridge if the current bridge is replaced.

**ADJOURNMENT: Motion to Adjourn** at 5:20 p.m. **made** by David Knapp, **second** by Sheila Delarm, **Aye 3, Nay0, Absent 2**

Respectfully Submitted,

Elaine Sater  
Brighton Town Clerk