

## NEW HAVEN TOWN BOARD MEETING HELD APRIL 11, 2006

### CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Wilbur called monthly meeting for April to order at 7 p.m. Roll call: Councilman Parkhurst, Councilman Perras, Councilwoman Schmidt, Councilman Yablonski, and supervisor Wilbur present. The minutes of the March 14<sup>th</sup> monthly meeting were read and approved by motion of Parkhurst, seconded by Perras. The minutes of the March 15<sup>th</sup> Planning Board meeting were read and approved by motion of Parkhurst, seconded by Yablonski.

### AUDIT OF TOWN BILLS

**Highway Bills:** Vouchers #61-80 Totaling \$13,717.32 were read and duly audited by motion of Yablonski, seconded by Perras. Unanimously carried.

**General Bills:** Vouchers #129-169 Totaling \$162,251.38 were read and duly audited by motion of Yablonski, seconded by Parkhurst. Unanimously carried.

### OLD BUSINESS

**Use of Town Roads by Snowmobiles:** Councilman Yablonski reported that he is still working with the snowmobile club and looking at other towns' laws.

**Audit of Town Books:** The payroll and highway fund vouchers have been audited. The finance committee will be writing up their findings. The court books still need to be audited.

**Furnace Maintenance:** Three proposals have been received for maintenance of the furnace and air-conditioning. Motion by Parkhurst, seconded by Perras to accept the proposal of Holbrook Heating for two maintenance visits per year for one year. Unanimously carried. The decision was based on Holbrook being the only one submitting a proposal that is an authorized dealer for the manufacture of the furnace, and is able to handle any warranty issues. In case of a breakdown the local repair company will be called.

**Lawn Care:** After discussing the pros and cons of requiring insurance, it was agreed that Robert Rude will continue to provide lawn care the same as last year.

**Senior Citizen Tax Exemption:** Motion by Parkhurst, seconded by Perras, to raise the income limit for aged exemptions for the Town's portion of the real property tax to \$16,025. Unanimously carried. This will not affect the 2007 taxes as taxable status date has past.

### NEW BUSINESS

**Comprehensive Plan:** The need for the Town to work on a comprehensive plan was discussed.

**Highway Superintendent School:** Motion by Schmidt, seconded by Yablonski to authorize the Highway Superintendent to attend the Cornell Road School in Ithaca in June. Unanimously carried.

**Water District #3 Progress:** The water supply permit should be ready by the end of April. Archaeological work needs to be started as soon as possible. There are 2-6 people in the field verifying information. The preliminary notice of intent will be sent soon to

NYS Ag & Markets. Final design work should be started by May 1<sup>st</sup> when base mapping is complete. The hydraulic model is being updated based on actual survey information.

**Archeological Work:** Motion by Perras, seconded by Schmidt to accept the proposal of Pratt & Pratt for archeological work for water district #3. Unanimously carried.

**Mileage for Mobile Home Inspections:** Motion by Schmidt, seconded by Yablonski that the Town charge mileage at the Town rate for mobile home inspections outside the Town. Mileage to start at the building inspector's home. This charge is in addition to the inspection fee and payment is expected before services are rendered. Unanimously carried.

**Lawsuit Update:** It has been reported that the JWJ & Ellingwood lawsuits against the Town have both been dismissed. The Town has not received anything in writing yet.

## CORRESPONDENCE

**Preliminary Notice of Intent:** A copy of the Preliminary Notice of Intent to install waterline along County, State and/or Local roads within the Town of New Haven was received. The notice is being sent to the Oswego County Agriculture and Farm Protection Board.

**Prevailing Wage:** A letter has been received from Workforce New York reminding the Town that projects let by a public entity must include a prevailing wage schedule.

**Sustainability Summit:** Information has been received on the Sustainability Summit to be held in Syracuse April 26<sup>th</sup>.

**State Purchasing Forum:** Information has been received on the State Purchasing Forum and Trade Show to be held in Albany May 17 & 18.

**Justice Court Finances Teleconference:** Information has been received on the Justice Court Finances teleconference in Mexico tonight. Both judges are attending. The Town will be purchasing a copy of the tape of the teleconference for other officials to view.

**Microsoft Settlement Benefits:** Claim forms have been received for Microsoft settlement benefits.

**Oswego County Public Works:** Notice has been received from Oswego County Public Works of limited availability of services from the County due to several major construction projects by the County.

**Dog Control Problem:** There has been an incident recently where a dog control officer from another town picked up a dog in New Haven at the request of a law enforcement agency. This is a problem because the dog control officer was outside his jurisdiction, and because the owner of the dog had no way of knowing where to look for the dog. The dog in question was returned to the Town and subsequently adopted out.

**Bookkeeper Transfer Resolution:** Motion by Parkhurst, seconded by Perras to approve the attached resolution authorizing the bookkeeper to transfer funds to overspent accounts. Unanimously carried.

**Sales Tax:** Motion by Schmidt, seconded by Parkhurst to authorize the bookkeeper to deposit the first quarter sales tax into the general fund instead of the highway fund. Unanimously carried.

## REPORTS

**Reports:** Dog Control Officer, Code Enforcement Officer, Town Clerk, and Supervisor reports to be posted.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Meeting Adjourned:** at 8:58 by motion of Yablonski, seconded by Parkhurst.  
Unanimously carried.

Minutes are unofficial until approved by Town Board

Respectfully submitted,

Debra J. Allen  
New Haven Town Clerk