

**Town of Somerset
Town Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, June 3, 2009**

Chairman Schachtner called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. Present were Demulling, Rauch, Germain, Plourde and Schachtner. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. No public input.

Clerk's & Treasurer's Report: Motion by Demulling, seconded by Plourde to approve the May 6th Minutes. Motion carried. All members voted yes. Motion by Germain seconded by Rauch to approve the May Financial Report. Motion carried. All members voted yes.

Animal Control Report: Motion by Plourde, seconded by Demulling to approve the May Animal Control Report. Motion carried. All members voted yes.

Building Inspector's Report: Motion by Germain, seconded by Plourde to approve the May Building Inspector's Report. Motion carried. All members voted yes.

Fire/Rescue Commission Report: Demulling read Belisle's report: 143 total calls for 2009, working on Pea Soup Days and Country Splash Concert; recently hired two new members. Motion by Demulling, seconded by Rauch to approve the May Fire/Rescue Commission Report. Motion carried. All members voted yes.

Parks & Rec Committee Report: Meeting on June 8th.

Transportation & Facilities Committee Report- Road Projects/Pine Lake Project: Final work on dock and dry hydrant installation needs to be completed by June 30.

Intersection of 160th Avenue and new 85th Street – Consideration of Lowering Hill: Schachtner stated to eliminate the need for a 4-way stop intersection and to improve the site distance for safety, the ideal situation would be to cut 160th Avenue hill east of the new 85th Street intersection. Transportation & Facilities Committee makes this recommendation for safety. Motion by Demulling, seconded by Rauch to approve Belisle Excavating to cut 160th Avenue hill east of the new 85th Street intersection at a cost not exceed \$14,000. Motion carried. All members voted yes.

New Business-Rita Lawson Historic Town Hall Update: Lawson reported there will be exhibits on Saturday of Pea Soup Days and inquired if there is a marked cornerstone or any old photos of old Town Hall. Rental of hall, capacity and fee was discussed. No action taken.

Twin Springs Landowner's Request for Waiver to Annual Park Permit Fee: Jim VanTassel commented his deed states he is entitled to use the boat launch. Lonnie Navis stated the philosophy behind the landing was to allow the property owners to have a common landing because of the geology. Schachtner asked by whose authority was the access given. VanTassel replied Marvin Law, the developer. Plourde explained the reason for the increased fee was due to the increased enforcement by a county sheriff, a pay box, signage, legal fees for examination of ordinance, daily park fee envelopes and annual park stickers. Approximately 12 houses involved in the waiver request; not all using the launch/park. Much discussion. Motion by Demulling, seconded by Germain to waive the annual permit launch/park fee for Twin Springs Park for any landowner in Twin Springs Addition who has it currently recorded on their deed that they are entitled to use the launch; one permit per landowner and permit is not transferable. Motion carried. All members voted yes.

Consideration of Approval of 2009/2010 Liquor, Operator, Cigarette, Concessions, Tubing/Camping, Salvage/Junkyard Licenses: Motion by Plourde, seconded by Demulling to approve the list presented of liquor, operator, cigarette, concessions, tubing/camping, salvage/junkyard license renewals for 2009/2010, pending receipt of payments. Motion carried. All members voted yes.

Planning Commission Report-Subdivision Ordinance: Public hearing to be noticed for August with possible adoption in September. Planning Commission is working on updating Comprehensive Plan. Agenda item for July-codification of ordinances.

Other Announcements:

Joint meeting w/Village & Fire Commission & special Town Board meeting-Wed., June 24, 7 p.m.
Assessor's information night for the residents on the revaluation, Thursday, June 25, 6:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Jeri Koester,
Clerk