

**March 9, 2009**  
**Regular Town Board Meeting**  
**6:30 p.m.**

The Town Board of the Town of Savannah held its regular Town Board meeting on March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.

Members present:

Kenneth Lauderdale	Supervisor
Ted Fitch	Councilman
John Metcalf	Councilman
Carol Spellman	Councilman
Julie VanLeeuwen	Councilman

Also present: Labor Consultant-Michael Richardson, MRB Engineering-Greg Hotaling, Michael Mumford, Ruby Washburn, Florabelle Marriott, Jerry & Linda Okie, Bruce Waterman, Sherri Fedele, Leon Gaklik, Leroy Hollier, Frederick Baker, and Assessor-Linda Wright.

Councilman Vanleeuwen led those in attendance in the pledge of allegiance.

A motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues, with participants, Labor Negotiator Michael Richardson and Assessor Linda Wright being requested to attend, was made by Councilman Fitch seconded by Councilman Metcalf – by roll: Councilman Spellman, Metcalf, Fitch, VanLeeuwen and Supervisor Lauderdale “aye” motion carried.

Executive Session – 6:35 p.m.

Out of Executive Session @ 8:00 p.m. by motion of Councilman Fitch seconded by Councilman Metcalf – by roll: Councilman Spellman, VanLeeuwen, Fitch, Metcalf, Supervisor Lauderdale “aye” motion carried.

It was decided to have Mr. Richardson request a negotiating session with the union members to try to reach an agreeable contract.

A motion to approve the minutes as distributed was made by Councilman Metcalf seconded by Councilman Fitch – by roll: Councilman VanLeeuwen, Spellman, Fitch, Metcalf and Supervisor Lauderdale “aye” motion carried.

MRB Engineering, Greg Hotaling, gave a slide show presentation on the Hydraulic Analysis/Water Study of the water distribution system with an overview of the study noting the items provided in such are as follows: explained that the study provides the Town with results from hydrant flow tests, the identification of future water demands and water service areas, the evaluation of loss due to leaks in the existing system, the

hydraulic capabilities of the existing town well, determine areas with hydraulic deficiencies, assess other possible sources of water supply, providing priorities and recommendations for water projects including replacement and upgrade of existing waterlines and proposed new waterlines and extensions. Mr. Hotaling further noted that he has developed a preliminary cost of the recommended improvements and will work with the Towns grant consultant to identify possible sources of grant funding for the project. Assessor, Linda Wright, pointed out that properties on Messner Rd. were not presently served nor was the area shown as a potential service area. Councilman Spellman requested the water extension to those properties on Messner Rd. be included in the study. Mr. Hotaling so noted and will include it in the final plan. A brief question and answer session was held with the presentation ending at 9:15 p.m.

After review of the proposed Local Law No. 8-2009 "Regulation of Large Gathering or Events in the Town of Savannah" it was suggested that further review be done on Section 5 © requirements of toilets and wash stations and Section 8 (3) 750 feet from public highway or neighboring property line. Supervisor Lauderdale noted that he would further review the recommendations. A motion to set a public hearing for the adoption of the above proposed local law for April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. was made by Councilman Spellman seconded by Councilman VanLeeuwen, by roll: Councilman Fitch, Metcalf, Spellman, VanLeeuwen and Supervisor Lauderdale "aye" motion carried.

#### Departmental Reports:

*Water/Sewer* – Operator Bruce Waterman noted that Rural Water Association and MRB Engineering will be inspecting Sewer District No. 1 tomorrow by running a camera through the lower laterals.

*Highway* – The Agreement to Spend Highway Funds was presented for the board's approval and signatures. A motion was made by Councilman Metcalf seconded by Councilman Fitch authorizing the approval and signatures for the Agreement to Spend Highway Funds. By roll – Councilman Metcalf, Fitch, Spellman, VanLeeuwen and Supervisor Lauderdale "aye" motion carried.

*Code Enforcement Officer* – Monthly Report – Town Board so noted

*Assessor* – Discussions were held regarding the current Residential Assessment Ratio, Mr. Breen Foundation Exemption Request, and Correction of Errors on Nicoletta Associates.

*Supervisor Report* - Letter from Savannah Fire District:

Supervisor Lauderdale noted that the Savannah Fire District has offered to transfer ownership of the old Ford brush truck to the Town of Savannah for the sum of \$1.00, with the stipulation that if and when the vehicle is of no use to the town, any salvage monies received by the Town of Savannah be returned to the Fire District. Supervisor

Lauderdale stated that the truck is equipped with a reservoir and pump and would be of use to the water/sewer dept., allowing better accessibility to the reservoir. Councilman Spellman stated she thought that the pickup truck from the highway department, that was not taken to municipal auction, was given to the water/sewer department. Supervisor Lauderdale noted that the pickup was available to the water/sewer department for the winter months but the highway department needs another pickup for the remaining seasons. Supervisor Lauderdale further noted that the water/sewer dept. van is requiring more maintenance and the Town Board should consider other options for a vehicle. Suggestions of removing the reservoir and pump from the Ford brush truck and putting it on the pickup and then giving the highway department the older Ford brush truck as a second vehicle was discussed. Supervisor Lauderdale to further review this option. It was decided by motion of Councilman Spellman seconded by Councilman VanLeeuwen to purchase the Ford brush truck from the Savannah Fire District in the amount of \$1.00 with the above mentioned stipulation. By roll: Councilman Fitch, Metcalf, VanLeeuwen, Spellman and Supervisor Lauderdale “aye” motion carried.

Correspondence:

- 1) NYS Office of Real Property Ser. – Residential Assessment Ratio
- 2) M&T Bank – Updates
- 3) Time Warner Cable – Channel Update
- 4) Nancy Colvin – Proclamation for Dollars for Scholars

Councilman Spellman presented the following proclamation:

*Town of Savannah*

***LET IT BE PROCLAIMED***

***THAT***, the **Clyde Savannah Dollars for Scholars** organization was founded on December 29<sup>th</sup>, 1989, and

***WHEREAS***, the purpose of this organization is to help in the financing of a higher education for our deserving local students, and

***WHEREAS***, over \$210,150,000 has been raised and distributed to students that live in the Clyde-Savannah School District, and

***WHEREAS***, **March 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> are the dates set for the 2009 Phone-A-Thon, and**

***WHEREAS***, the goal for 2009 is to raise \$7500,

***NOW THEREFORE***, I, Kenneth **Lauderdale**, by the virtue of the authority vested in me as Supervisor, and on behalf of the entire Town Board and all our citizens, do hereby

proclaim, the week of **MARCH 22<sup>nd</sup> thru March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009** to be declared **Clyde-Savannah Dollars For Scholars Week**.

A motion to adopt the above written proclamation was made by Councilman VanLeeuwen seconded by Councilman Metcalf. By roll: Councilman Spellman, VanLeeuwen, Metcalf, Fitch and Supervisor Lauderdale “aye” motion carried.

The following bills were presented for audit:

General Fund	Abst. #3	Claim #59-80	\$ 8,743.09
Highway Fund	Abst. #3	Claim #40-56	\$27,564.90
Water District	Abst. #3	Claim #29-41	\$ 8,402.74
Sewer District 1	Abst. #3	Claim #5-7	\$ 2,746.65
Sewer District 2	Abst. #3	Claim #7-8	\$ 210.76
Sav. Lighting	Abst. #3	Claim #3	\$ 789.64
So. Butler Lighting	Abst. #3	Claim #3	\$ 51.05

A motion to pay the bills as presented was made by Councilman Fitch seconded by Councilman Metcalf. By roll: Councilman Spellman, VanLeeuwen, Metcalf, Fitch and Supervisor Lauderdale “aye” motion carried.

Councilman Spellman gave an update on the SAFE program and upcoming events, noting the program has two new members. Councilman Spellman further stated that among other activities the committee is currently working on a hiking/camping event.

Supervisor Lauderdale stated to those in attendance that the Joint Master Plan meeting will be held at the Savannah Fire Hall on March 12<sup>th</sup> and encourages all to attend.

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Metcalf seconded by Councilman Spellman all members voted “aye” and the motion carried.

Julie Carey-Town Clerk

- Supervisor - Review Local Law Sec. 5 & 8
- Supervisor – Investigate the removal of pump and reservoir from Ford brush truck to highway pickup

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