

July 14, 2008
Regular Town Board Meeting
7:00 p.m.

The Town Board of the Town of Savannah held its regular Town Board meeting on July 14th, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. Members present were:

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

Also present: Sherri Fedele, John Addyman-Fingerlakes Times, Victor Townsend, Ruby Washburn, Florabelle Marriott, Fred Baker, John Spellman-Town Historian, Leon Gaklik, Allen Sherman-Highway Superintendent, Andy Tullock-Milton/Cat Equipment Salesman, Bruce Waterman-Water/Sewer Operator.

A motion to waive the reading of the minutes with approval as distributed was made by Councilman Spellman seconded by Councilman Metcalf. All members voted “aye” and the motion carried.

Councilman Spellman led for those in attendance the pledge of allegiance.

Supervisor Lauderdale presented the following resolution:

Resolution No. 28-2008
Appointment of Sharon Lilla as Environmental Review Certifying Officer
For CDBG Technical Assistance Grant

WHEREAS, the Town of Savannah has received a Community Development Block Grant Technical Assistance Grant (CDBG TA) Grant that requires compliance with environmental review requirements under the National Environmental Policy Act (“NEPA”); and

WHEREAS, the Town must appoint a Certifying Officer responsible for all activities associated with the environmental review process who must certify that those activities have been conducted in compliance with NEPA requirements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Savannah Town Board hereby appoints Sharon Lilla as the Certifying Officer for the environmental review activities in connection with the above referenced CDBG TA grant received by the Town of Savannah.

A motion to adopt the above resolution as written was made by Carol Spellman seconded by Julie Vanleeuwen. By roll: Councilman Fitch and Metcalf “aye”.

Councilman Spellman gave a brief update on the Summer Youth Recreation program and the SAFE Program events.

Town Historian, John Spellman, attended the meeting to give an update on the 14th Annual Potato Fest, noting the new events that are scheduled. Mr. Spellman also noted that the new Town of Savannah history book is available for \$20.00 and a book signing event will be taking place at the American Legion on July 31st at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Spellman also requested that the Town of Savannah continue to sponsor the potato fest event by donating \$2000.00. A motion was made by Councilman VanLeeuwen seconded by Councilman Metcalf authorizing the appropriation of \$2000.00 for potato fest activities. By roll: Councilman Fitch and Supervisor Lauderdale “aye”, Councilman Spellman abstained.

Bruce Waterman, Water/Sewer Operator, gave a brief report noting that the bulk water system is now in operation with three (3) key switches. Sewer District No. 1 is not working properly and he is resting one of the beds to see if the problems correct themselves.

Andy Tulloch from Milton/Cat attended the meeting to give a presentation on the equipment leasing program that they offer. He explained that the Town could purchase a Loader for approximately \$56,000 initial cost and then pay \$10.00/hour after that and every year the town would get a new loader paying \$10.00/hour usage. Discussions to be held at a later time.

Allen Sherman, Highway Superintendent, presented for the boards approval quotes for a new sander:

Tracey Road Equipment	\$12,930.50
Henderson Truck Equip.	\$13,999.00
Tenco USA Inc.	\$13,958.00
Marietta Diesel Inc.	\$15,720.00

A motion was made by Councilman Spellman seconded by Councilman Metcalf authorizing the purchase of a new sander to the low quote of Tracey Road Equipment in the amount of \$12,930.50. By roll: Councilman Fitch, Councilman VanLeeuwen and Supervisor Lauderdale “aye” motion carried.

The highway superintendent also requests permission to purchase a road cutter from Secors in the amount of \$1250.00. After much discussion it was decided that it would not be economically feasible at this time.

CEO, Don Camp, gave a brief activity summary. Complaints of mowing fertilizer plant, hotel and behind the post office were received. Don Camp also requested a raise in the mileage rate; it was decided to further review at the budget meeting.

Ruby Washburn requested a copy of the minutes to be sent to her on a monthly basis. Supervisor Lauderdale noted that a copy of the minutes will be posted in the Town Hall.

Supervisor Lauderdale gave a brief overview of the \$7,000 grant to assist in the refurbishing of the upstairs in the Town hall. He noted that RL Breen Construction is currently working on the restoration of the ceiling and Secor Lumber Co. is working on as built construction drawings.

Supervisor Lauderdale also gave a brief update on the downtown vision grant progress. He noted that an Advisory Board has been formed with the exception of someone to serve on the board to represent the farming community.

Supervisor Lauderdale also noted that the West Shore property has been approved through various County committees and goes before the County Board of Supervisors tomorrow. Further updates to follow.

Supervisor Lauderdale noted that he has received a letter from Michael Kolczynski stating that the ATV Club no longer uses the trails in the Town of Savannah and feels that the club should remove their signage throughout the township. Councilman Fitch and Spellman explained that the club is having difficulty traveling the trails because DEC will no longer allow them to use the trails that connect the Town of Savannah and Montezuma. It was decided that it would be a loss to the Town of Savannah if the ATV Club could no longer operate in the township to have Supervisor Lauderdale write a letter to the club asking if the Town of Savannah could assist them in their endeavors with DEC.

Supervisor Lauderdale gave a brief update on his meeting with Assemblyman Oaks.

Supervisor Lauderdale noted that there will be a meeting on July 24th at the Savannah Elementary School at 7:00 p.m. for public comments on land use regulations.

Councilman Metcalf recognized that Victor Townsend has done extension restoration work on his property, noting how much of an improvement the work has made.

Councilman Spellman noted that the Chamber of Commerce has scheduled the Dixieland band to perform on Main St. on August 8th.

Main Street North Restaurant owners, Doris Gary & Douglas Salmon requested permission to use the parking lot behind their business for their Annual Clam Bake on August 9th. A motion authorizing such was made by Councilman Fitch seconded by Councilman Metcalf. By roll: Supervisor Lauderdale, Councilman VanLeeuwen, and Councilman Spellman "aye" motion carried.

Councilman Spellman recommended that the Town Board recognize Tracey DeSantis as Girl Scout Leader for Wayne County with a certificate of recognition.

Town Board entered Executive Session at 8:10 for personnel matters by motion of Councilman Fitch seconded by Councilman VanLeeuwen. All members voted “aye” motion carried.

Out of Executive Session 8:45 p.m.

A motion to pay the bills as presented was made by Councilman Fitch seconded by Councilman Metcalf. All members voted “aye” and the motion carried.

General Fund	Abst. #7	Claim #185-214	\$13,036.35
Highway Fund	Abst. #7	Claim #94-106	\$ 9,722.52
Water District	Abst. #7	Claim #75-88	\$ 3,608.39
Sewer District 1	Abst. #7	Claim #17-22	\$ 283.72
Sewer District 2	Abst. #7	Claim #25-29	\$ 986.60
Sewer District 3	Abst. #7	Claim #15-18	\$ 78.31
Sav. Lighting	Abst. #7	Claim #7	\$ 700.61
So. Butler Lighting	Abst. #7	Claim #7	\$ 44.82

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

Julie Carey-Town Clerk