

Town of Malone  
Regular Board Meeting  
05/08/2013

A regular meeting of the Malone Town Board was held Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> 2013, at the Malone Town Offices, 27 Airport Rd., Malone, NY, commencing at 6:00pm.

**PRESENT:** Supervisor Howard Maneely  
Deputy Supervisor Paul Walbridge  
Councilor Louise Taylor  
Councilor John Sullivan  
Councilor Mary Scharf

**ALSO PRESENT:** Susan Hafter, Town Clerk  
Andrea Stewart, Budget Officer  
Tom Shanty, Highway Superintendent  
Shirley Morton, DCO  
Michael Lamitie, Town Justice

Donna Bailey, NCAS, St. Regis Falls      Melanie Andrews, King-Clark, Bangor  
Gene Bashaw, King-Clark, Malone      Tim Lashomb, F.C.Legislator, Malone  
Alec Marshall, Malone      Mary Fredenburg, Malone  
Arianna MacNeill, Malone

**CALL TO ORDER:** Supervisor Maneely called the meeting to order at 6:00pm, with a pledge to the flag.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

**Dog Census -**

**Shirley Morton, Dog Control Officer** requested time to address the Board with a proposal to increase to the town's dog enumeration fee from \$5.00 to \$25.00. This fee is charged, in addition to the regular license fees, for dogs unlicensed or overdue for renewal, at the time of the enumeration (dog census). An advertised amnesty period, prior to commencement of the enumeration, would be provided for those delinquent dog owners who would like to avoid the extra fee. Those who are current would not be affected. The DCO reported that this tactic was successful in the Town of Burke, reducing the number of court summons issued. The Supervisor thanked the DCO for her presentation.

**Justice Court 2012 –**

**Town Justice Michael Lamitie** addressed the Board with a report of Malone Town Court activities, noting that the Malone Court is the most active in Franklin and St. Lawrence Counties. He provided an informational hand-out with 2012 statistical and financial court data. Justice Lamitie also reported on the court renovations, which are nearing completion. A second grant has been awarded for the purchase of furniture. Justice Lamitie presented a letter of resignation from Court Clerk Amanda Drake.

**Motion –** Councilor Scharf

**Second –** Councilor Taylor

**Resolved (#96- 2013):** that the Town Board accepts, with regret and best wishes, the resignation of Court Clerk Amanda Drake, effective June 28<sup>th</sup> 2013.

**CARRIED (5 - 0) – Supervisor Maneely - Aye Deputy Supervisor Walbridge – Aye  
Councilor Sullivan - Aye Councilor Taylor - Aye Councilor Scharf - Aye**

**Motion –** Councilor Scharf

**Second –** Councilor Taylor

**Resolved (#97- 2013):** that the Town Board will advertise in the Malone Telegram seeking candidates for the full-time benefitted position of Town Court Clerk, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Amanda Drake; with resumes to be accepted at the office of the Malone Town Clerk until May 22<sup>nd</sup> 2013.

**CARRIED (5 - 0) – Supervisor Maneely - Aye Deputy Supervisor Walbridge – Aye  
Councilor Sullivan - Aye Councilor Taylor - Aye Councilor Scharf - Aye**

**Franklin County Property Auction –**

**Franklin County Legislator Tim Lashomb** addressed the Board with concerns about the upcoming property auction. He would like to form a committee that would review the parcels available that for sale in Malone and the credentials of bidders; and make recommendations to the Legislators, who can reject any or all bidders. He suggested the committee consist of County Treasurer Varin, Legislator Crossman, himself and two members each from the Town and Village Boards. Councilor Scharf volunteered to be on the committee, but Supervisor Maneely said he and Councilor Taylor have already committed to the task. The intent of the committee is to keep from selling properties to speculators who have no real plans for the properties. Councilor Sullivan cautioned that the committee be careful not to let price be the focus.

**MINUTES & REPORTS:**

**Motion** – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

**Second** – Councilor Taylor

**Resolved (#98- 2013):** to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of 04/24/2013 as presented and place on file.

**CARRIED (5 - 0) – Supervisor Maneely - Aye Deputy Supervisor Walbridge – Aye  
Councilor Sullivan - Aye Councilor Taylor - Aye Councilor Scharf - Aye**

**Motion** – Councilor Sullivan

**Second** – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

**Resolved (# 99-2013):** to accept the following reports as presented and Place on file:

Supervisor - 4/2013

Judges Cositore & Lamitie – 4/2013

Town Clerk/Registrar – 4/2013

Airport Manager – 4/2013

Supt. of Highways – 4/2013

**CARRIED (5 - 0) – Supervisor Maneely - Aye Deputy Supervisor Walbridge – Aye  
Councilor Sullivan - Aye Councilor Taylor - Aye Councilor Scharf - Aye**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Inter-municipal Sewer Agreement** - Village Attorney Nichols delivered a package for Town Attorney Duffy, presumably the draft inter-municipal sewer agreement with his comments.

**Gravel Options 1 & 2- Bid opening held 4/24/13 -**

**Motion** – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

**Second** - Councilor Taylor

**Resolved (# 100-2013):** that, upon the recommendation of Superintendent of Highways Shanty, the Town Board accepts the bid from Titus Mountain Sand & Gravel for gravel, Option #1, at \$2.50 per yard for 2013.

**CARRIED (5 - 0) – Supervisor Maneely - Aye Deputy Supervisor Walbridge – Aye  
Councilor Sullivan - Aye Councilor Taylor - Aye Councilor Scharf - Aye**

**Insurance Broker of Record** – Three agencies have expressed interest in serving as the Agent of Record for the Town of Malone’s insurance programs. The Supervisor extended to June, 1<sup>st</sup> 2013, the time limit for them to submit quotes for airport liability coverage.

**Sewer Upgrade** – Tim Burley of C2AE will submit a CFA on behalf of the Town of Malone for funding for the West Side Sewer upgrade. Up to 25% of the cost of a” shovel ready” project could be provided through the regional council.

**SUPERVISOR REPORTS:**

**Lower Park Street Flooding Mitigation** – Supervisor Maneely has visited with each of the flood affected residents of Lower Park Street to advise them of a meeting, set for 5:00 pm, on Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup> 2013, regarding mitigation issues. Invitations have been extended to the offices of Senator Little, Assemblywoman Duprey, and Congressman Owens.

**SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS REPORT:**

**Superintendent of Highways Shanty** reported work on Johnson Road is complete and Warner road has been staked out. Sweeping, mowing, dust control etc. is ongoing.

**Seasonal Hire –**

**Motion –** Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

**Second -** Councilor Taylor

**Resolved (#101-2013):** on the recommendation of Highway Superintendent Shanty, to authorize the hire of Andrew Stone as a seasonal laborer at the Highway Department beginning Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup> 2013.

**CARRIED (5 - 0) – Supervisor Maneely - Aye Deputy Supervisor Walbridge – Aye  
Councilor Sullivan - Aye Councilor Taylor - Aye Councilor Scharf - Aye**

**BOARD MEMBER/COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Councilor Scharf** reported she has been in touch with Phil Smith of Avalon Associates in regard to the Town’s unfunded CDBG application. He advised her that the State is not providing reasons for denial or even the points scored on the grant application. Councilor Scharf will be doing some further research into the issue.

**Councilor Sullivan** commented positively on the proposed improvement to the County’s property auction as set forth by Legislator Lashomb. He commented also on correspondence received from NYSDEC.

**Motion –** Councilor Sullivan

**Second -** Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

**Resolved (#102-2013) –** to authorize Councilor Sullivan to contact Patrick Kane, Environmental Engineer, DEC, regarding feasibility study for solar energy development at the closed Malone landfill.

**Discussion -**Budget Officer Stewart noted that the Village Board would need to concur, as they own the landfill property.

**CARRIED (5 - 0) – Supervisor Maneely - Aye Deputy Supervisor Walbridge – Aye  
Councilor Sullivan - Aye Councilor Taylor - Aye Councilor Scharf - Aye**

**Deputy Supervisor Walbridge** reported that Passero Associates is ready to apply for FAA funding for the Malone-Dufort Airport, with the Town’s approval.

**Motion –** Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

**Second -** Councilor Scharf

**Resolved (#103-2013) –** that the Town Board authorizes Passero Associates to apply for FAA funding for the Malone-Dufort Airport for the purpose of installing an automated weather system and any other projects that might fit the application.

**CARRIED (5 - 0) – Supervisor Maneely - Aye Deputy Supervisor Walbridge – Aye  
Councilor Sullivan - Aye Councilor Taylor - Aye Councilor Scharf - Aye**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**From JCEO-** information regarding services to this area

**From NYSDEC –** solar energy development at closed landfills

**From American Legion Post 219 –** Memorial Day parade: invitation for participation

**BILLS FOR AUDIT & PAYMENT:**

**Motion –** Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

**Second –** Councilor Sullivan

**Resolved (#104 - 2013):** that the following bills, having been audited, vouchers #422-451, be paid:

General Fund – Abstract #10		\$ 8,287.05
Part Town General - #8		311.22
Highway Town-wide (DA) - #	8	1,741.20
Highway Outside (DB) Fund - #9		2,627.75
Trust & Agency Fund - #17		286.20
East side Water Fund - # 5		<u>224.24</u>
Grand Total:		\$13,477.66

**CARRIED (5 - 0) – Supervisor Maneely - Aye Deputy Supervisor Walbridge – Aye  
Councilor Sullivan - Aye Councilor Taylor - Aye Councilor Scharf - Aye**

**Dog Enumeration –**

**Motion – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge**

**Second – Councilor Sullivan**

**Resolved (#105 - 2013):** upon the recommendation of DCO Shirley Morton, the Town Board authorizes an increase to the Town of Malone dog enumeration fee, from \$5.00 per dog to \$25.00 per dog, to be charged to owners of unlicensed dogs and/or owners of dogs whose license renewals are 3 months > delinquent, discovered during enumeration. Prior public notice of the increase and a pre-determined amnesty period for licensing will be granted.

**CARRIED (5 - 0) – Supervisor Maneely - Aye Deputy Supervisor Walbridge – Aye  
Councilor Sullivan - Aye Councilor Taylor - Aye Councilor Scharf - Aye**

**ADJOURN:**

**At 7:04pm Motion – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge**

**Second: Councilor Scharf**

**Resolved (# 106-2013):** there being no further business to come before the Board that it adjourn, with the next regular meeting to be May 22<sup>nd</sup> 2013, at 6:00pm

**CARRIED (5 - 0) – Supervisor Maneely - Aye Deputy Supervisor Walbridge – Aye  
Councilor Sullivan - Aye Councilor Taylor - Aye Councilor Scharf - Aye**

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,**

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**SUSAN M. HAFTER, TOWN CLERK  
May 13<sup>th</sup> 2013**