Town of Malone Regular Board Meeting 09/25/2013

A regular meeting of the Malone Town Board was held Wednesday, September 25th 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

Lillian-Anderson Duffy, Town Attorney

Mark Besio, Highway Clerk

Pat Sherwin, Malone Brian Langdon, Malone Hugh Hill, Malone

Denise Raymo, Press-Republican

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

PRESENTATIONS:

Solar Power Initiatives –

APEX - B.G. Demarse and Stanley Gilbert from <u>APEX</u> of Queensbury, New York addressed the Board regarding the benefits of harnessing Solar Energy, and the services provided by APEX. They offer no cost installation of solar panels and a guaranteed reduction of energy costs. Apex would own the equipment, but there is a buy-back option available to the Town after time. A standard contract is 20 years.

LARSEN – S. Ram Shrivastava, P.E., President and CEO of <u>Larsen Engineering</u> presented a an overview of his environmental engineering firm and services they are able to provide. He spoke of developing a plan for sustainable energy independence for the Town of Malone, with solar power being a part of the plan. His firm would help guide the Town through the CFA process, referencing the Regional Plan, to obtain money for energy projects. He noted that there is money available through NYSERDA for solar projects and a list of approved providers.

The Board thanked all presenters for the information provided and will consider their proposals.

MINUTES & REPORTS:

Motion – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

Second – Councilor Sullivan

Resolved (#189- 2013): to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of 9/11/2013 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 – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

Second – Councilor Scharf

Resolved (#190 -2013): to accept the following reports as presented and place on file: Justices Boardway, Cositore & Lamitie – for August, 2013

NYS Comptroller report for August, 2013

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

SUPERVISOR REPORTS:

Salmon River Inspection – Supervisor Maneely announced that the Army Corps of Engineers will be conducting the annual inspection of the Salmon River tomorrow, 9/26/2013 with participants to meet here, at the Town Offices, at 9:00am. He added that the report from last year's inspection has just arrived. Supervisor Maneely also noted that 4 of 10 property owners who might be eligible for property buy-out on the river, are not interested.

Call Firemen Proclamation – **75**th **Anniversary** – Supervisor Maneely presented the following:

PROCLAMATION

In honor of the 75th Anniversary of the Malone Callfiremen, Inc.

Whereas, in 1938 the <u>Malone Callfiremen</u>, <u>Inc</u>. was formed, providing fire-fighting and life-saving services to our community through its volunteer membership, and

Whereas, through the years these services have evolved and expanded as the needs and demands of our greater Malone community have also grown, while always maintaining the volunteer core values of service above self for the greater good;

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Now, Therefore, be it

Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Malone hereby congratulates the Malone Callfiremen, Inc. for its many achievements and service over the past 75 years, and be it further

Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Malone appreciates and commends the Callfiremen membership – past and present – for their unyielding dedication and service to our community.

Chateaugay Correctional Facility -

Motion – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

Second – Councilor Sullivan

Resolution #191- 2013

Opposing the closure of the Chateaugay Correctional Facility Whereas, the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision plans to close the Chateaugay Correctional Facility in 2014; and

Whereas, the Town of Malone strongly opposes the closing of Chateaugay Correctional Facility as it will have a detrimental effect to the economy of Franklin County and the North Country, especially the Town of Chateaugay, its residents and employees; and

Whereas, the North Country has already witnessed devastating effects of a correctional facility closures at Camp Gabriel and Lyon Mountain; and

Whereas, the Town of Chateaugay cannot afford to lose the one hundred eleven (111) jobs provided by the Franklin County Correctional Facility in that community; and

Whereas, Franklin County has always welcomed correctional facilities when other counties in New York State have rejected them; and

Whereas, the Chateaugay Town Board and the Malone Town Board have strongly supported the St. Lawrence Gas pipeline project to aid in economic growth to our area, with one of its goals being to provide affordable natural gas to the prison in Chateaugay; and

Whereas, the North Country has built its economy around New York State correctional facilities, making our economy now dependent upon open and functional facilities;

Now, therefore, be it

Resolved: that the Town of Malone, in solidarity with the Town of Chateaugay, strongly opposes the closure of the Chateaugay Correctional Facility and urges the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision to reverse their decision on the closure of this facility; and be it

Further Resolved: that the Clerk of the Town of Malone shall transmit official copies of this Resolution to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Acting Commissioner Anthony J. Annucci, Senator Skelos, Senator Elizabeth O'C. Little, Senator Jeff Klein, Senator Andrea Stewart Cousins, Senator Jack M. Martins, Senator Terry Gipson, Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver, Assembly Majority Leader Joseph Morelle, Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kilb, Assemblywoman Janet Duprey, Assemblyman William B. Magnarelli, Assemblyman Tony Jordan and Assemblyman Herman D. Farrell, Jr.

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

Certiorari Proceeding -

<u>Malone Town Houses Inc. (Indian Trails) vs. Town of Malone</u> – Town Attorney Duffy is preparing an answer to this action, due 10/11/2013.

Airport Project Consultant Agreement

Motion – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

 ${\bf Second-} Councilor\ Taylor$

Resolved (#192-2013): permission for the Supervisor to sign an agreement with Passero Associates, for airport design services related to Electrical Vault & Equipment Replacement, at \$39,200, per the recent FAA grant awarded to the Town.

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

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SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS REPORT:

Superintendent of Highways Shanty was not present to report. Highway Clerk Besio reported that FEMA has toughened it requirements for storm damage funding. Work on Arnold Road continues, but it will not be paved this year.

BOARD MEMBER/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilor Scharf – has information from **NYSERDA** regarding funding for replacement of efficient appliances and equipment.

Councilor Scharf received a letter from a resident of River Road, asking for the availability of cable services to her home as TWC service does not run the full length of the road. As the Town has a non-exclusive franchise with TWC, the resident will be advised to contact SLIC to see if they may be expanding to service that section.

CORRESPONDENCE:

From County Treasurer Bryon Varin – Properties for foreclosure auction

From Town Clerk Hafter - Response to Foil Request received on behalf of United Cerebral Palsy of the North Country Inc.

NEW BUSINESS:

Budget Transfer

Motion – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

Second – Councilor Taylor

Resolved (#193 - 2013): authorizing to the Budget Officer to transfer \$6,229.00 from A690 Clearinghouse to A2610 Fines & fees, as per the Comptroller Notice for August 2013.

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

BILLS FOR AUDIT & PAYMENT:

Motion – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

Second – Councilor Sullivan

Resolved (#194 - 2013): that the following bills, having been audited,

vouchers #811-837, be paid:

 General Fund – Abstract #18
 \$ 30,240.87

 Part Town General- #16
 83.69

 Highway Outside (DB) Fund - #17
 2,270.97

 West Side Water #4
 1,500.80

 East Side Water #10
 17,971.63

 Trust & Agency Fund - #37
 37,555.17

Grand Total: \$89,623.13

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

ADJOURN:

At 7:40 pm Motion – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

Second – Councilor Taylor

Respectfully Submitted,0

October 7, 2013

Resolved (# **195-2013**): there being no further business to come before the Board that it adjourn, with the next regular meeting to be October 9, 2013, at 6PM

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

| Susan M. Hafter, Town Clerk | | | | | |
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