

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
MARCH 22, 2011

The Town Board of the Town of Conklin held a Regular Town Board Meeting at 7:00 P.M. on March 22, 2011, at the Conklin Town Hall. Mrs. Preston, Supervisor, presided. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT:	Town Board Members	Bullock, Minoia, Francisco, Finch, Preston
	Town Counsel	Cheryl Sacco
	Town Clerk	Sherrie L. Jacobs
	Assistant to Supervisor	Lisa Houston
	Highway Superintendent	Patrick Latting
	Code Officer	Robert Jones
	Dog Control Officer	Darlene Weidman
	Substitute DCO	Kelly Wildoner
	Zoning Board of Appeals	Norman Pritchard
GUESTS:	Country Courier	Elizabeth Einstein Joseph Bartosik Dolly Stout Laurie Francisco John Colley Peter J. Motsavage

MINUTES: MARCH 8, 2011 REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

Mr. Finch moved to approve the March 8, 2011 Regular Town Board Meeting minutes as presented.

Seconded by Mr. Francisco.

VOTE: Bullock – Yes, Minoia – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Finch – Yes, Preston – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Supervisor Preston acknowledged receipt of the January and February 2011 reports from her office.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

REPORT: SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE

Refer to written report.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESO 2011-55: RATIFY PAYMENT/THE HARTFORD GROUP/1ST QUARTER 2011
DISABILITY INSURANCE PAYMENT

Mr. Minoia moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin ratifies payment of check #2312, account codes A9055.8, DA 9055.8, and SW 9055.8, in the amount of \$416.25 to The Hartford Group for 1st Quarter 2011 Disability Insurance payment.

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Seconded by Mr. Finch.

VOTE: Bullock – Yes, Minoia – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Finch – Yes, Preston – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

RESO 2011-56: RATIFY WIRE PAYMENT/POSTAGE ON CALL/POSTAGE METER REIMBURSEMENT

Mr. Francisco moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin ratifies a wire payment, account codes A 1670.4, A 1355.4, and SW 8310.4, in the amount of \$1,000.00 to Postage on Call for postage meter reimbursement.

Seconded by Mr. Bullock.

VOTE: Bullock – Yes, Minoia – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Finch – Yes, Preston – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

RESO 2011-57: AUTHORIZE PAYMENT/BILL LIST/\$49,374.90

Mr. Minoia moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin authorizes payment of the following Bill List in the total amount of \$49,374.90:

General	\$26,183.13
Highway	14,044.49
Light Districts	2,157.71
Sewer District	4,539.52
Water District	<u>2,450.05</u>
Total	\$49,374.90

Seconded by Mr. Francisco.

VOTE: Bullock – Yes, Minoia – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Finch – Yes, Preston – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

RESO 2011-58: AUTHORIZE BUDGET LINE TRANSFER

Mr. Minoia moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin authorizes the following budget line transfer (see attached).

Seconded by Mr. Bullock.

VOTE: Bullock – Yes, Minoia – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Finch – Yes, Preston – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

RESO 2011-59: AUTHORIZE APPROPRIATION/UNANTICIPATED NYS GRANT REVENUES

Mr. Bullock moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin authorizes appropriation of the following unanticipated New York State Grant revenues:

A510 Estimated Revenues	\$3,060.00
A3021 Court Facilities	\$3,060.00
A960 Appropriations	\$3,060.00
A1110-401 Justice Contractual/Grant	\$3,060.00

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Seconded by Mr. Francisco.

VOTE: Bullock – Yes, Minoia – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Finch – Yes, Preston – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

RESO 2011-60: AUTHORIZE HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT/ATTEND HIGHWAY SCHOOL/ITHACA, NEW YORK/JUNE 6-8, 2011/ALL NECESSARY EXPENSES

Mr. Finch moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin authorizes the Highway Superintendent to attend Highway School in Ithaca, New York, on June 6-8, 2011, with all necessary expenses.

Seconded by Mr. Francisco.

VOTE: Bullock – Yes, Minoia – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Finch – Yes, Preston – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

RESO 2011-61: ACCEPT GRANT/NYS UNIFIED COURT SYSTEM/\$3,059.21/COMPUTER EQUIPMENT FOR TOWN COURT

Mr. Francisco moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin accepts a grant from the Unified Court System for \$3,059.21 for computer equipment for the Town Court.

Seconded by Mr. Finch.

VOTE: Bullock – Yes, Minoia – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Finch – Yes, Preston – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

RESO 2011-62: APPOINT SHARON PLATT/TOWN HISTORIAN

Mr. Finch moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin appoints Sharon Platt to the position of Town Historian, effective immediately.

Seconded by Mr. Francisco.

VOTE: Bullock – Yes, Minoia – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Finch – Yes, Preston – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

RESO 2011-63: APPROVE TOWN HISTORIAN/ATTEND WORKSHOP/ELMIRA, NEW YORK/APRIL 4-6, 2011

Mr. Minoia moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin approves the Town Historian to attend a workshop for Town Historians in Elmira, New York, on April 4-6, 2011.

Seconded by Mr. Finch.

VOTE: Bullock – Yes, Minoia – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Finch – Yes, Preston – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

SNOWSTORM

Supervisor Preston thanked Highway Superintendent Patrick Latting for the “great job” his crew did in taking care of Town roads during the recent snowstorm. She added that the roads plowed by Broome County were in “bad shape.”

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560 CONKLIN ROAD

Attorney Cheryl Sacco stated that a letter had been sent to Mr. Jerry Sweezy and Mr. Knapp regarding the building at 560 Conklin Road, advising them to “cease and desist” their activity at that site. Code Officer Robert Jones stated that Mr. Sweezy had visited him and stated that he was “only using the garage” (at 560 Conklin Road) “for his personal use.” Mr. Jones instructed Mr. Sweezy to send him a letter stating what he is doing at the site.

2000-2010 CONKLIN ROAD

Attorney Sacco stated that a letter had been sent to Mr. Daniel Parker, owner of 2000-2010 Conklin Road, stating the Town’s position regarding the clean-up required on his property. She stated that Mr. Parker asked for an extension to complete the clean-up and the Town has given him a deadline of March 25, 2011. Ms. Sacco added that, if the deadline is not met, court papers will be filed on March 28, 2011.

MORRIS BOULEVARD CROSSWALK

Mr. Francisco stated that he has contacted the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) regarding the crosswalk at Morris Boulevard. He, Highway Superintendent Patrick Lating, and representatives from NYSDOT will review the site on Friday, March 25, 2011. He added that the New York State DOT wants the Town of Conklin to fill in the area in question. Supervisor Preston replied that this crosswalk was not designed by the Town’s engineers and it would therefore be a liability to the Town if the Town were to fill it in.

LIGHT AT COMMUNITY CENTER

Mr. Francisco stated that NYSEG (New York State Electric and Gas Corporation) installed the street light at the entrance to the driveway to the Community Center, adding that it will only cost the Town \$9.23 per month.

PUMP STATION/CARLIN ROAD

Mr. Francisco stated that he checked the pump station at Carlin Road and found that the motor is not bad, as was previously thought, and can be repaired with spare parts.

AUDITOR

Supervisor Preston stated that Cheryl DiStefano, from the auditing firm of Vieira and Associates, will be present at the April 12 Town Board meeting to review this year’s audit of the Town.

MEETINGS WITH FEMA

Supervisor Preston stated that she will be meeting with FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) representatives on March 23, 2011.

TOWN OF CONKLIN COURT HONORED IN MAGISTRATE MAGAZINE

Supervisor Preston noted that the Town of Conklin Court was honored in the Spring 2011 issue of **Magistrate Magazine** for the innovations recently brought to the Town’s court system.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Minoia moved for adjournment, seconded by Mr. Francisco.

The meeting adjourned at 7:16 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Sherrie L. Jacobs, Town Clerk

