

**TOWN OF DEERPARK
TOWN BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 7, 2011**
Meeting was held at Town Hall, 420 Route 209, Huguenot, NY 12746

Attendance

Supervisor: Karl Brabenec

Councilmember's: Gary Spears, Arthur Trovei, David Hoovler, David Dean

Attorneys: Bill Bavoso, David Bavoso

Invocation: Arthur Trovei

Call to Order at 7:15 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance by David Hoovler

New Business

Supervisor Brabenec spoke about needing to apply for the ARRA Stimulus Energy Efficiency Grant brought to Orange County from the Federal Government through the Department of Planning. About \$721,000 was allocated to all municipalities who have done energy audits and the Town of Deerpark did an audit last year with supplemental recommendations from Mr. Fusco, the town engineer.

Motion to Authorize the Supervisor to Apply for an ARRA Stimulus Energy Efficiency Grant

Motion by Gary Spears, 2nd by David Hoovler to authorize the Supervisor to apply for the ARRA Stimulus Energy Efficiency Grant through the Orange County Department of Planning.

VOTE: 5 AYES: Gary Spears, Arthur Trovei, David Hoovler, David Dean, Karl Brabenec

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Brabenec also needed authorization for Police Chief Werner to sign the quarterly STOP DWI Application. This application is signed every quarter by the Police Chief through Orange County and the State of New York to fund the Stop DWI patrols.

Motion to Authorize the Police Chief to Sign Quarterly STOP DWI Application

Motion by Arthur Trovei, 2nd by David Dean to authorize the Police Chief to sign the quarterly STOP DWI application.

VOTE: 5 AYES: Gary Spears, Arthur Trovei, David Hoovler, David Dean, Karl Brabenec

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Brabenec asked for authorization to put out a request for proposals for the Deerpark Senior Shuttle Service. It is customary for towns to bid their services out and they had not done that for the Senior Shuttle for about 20 years or more. The purpose would be to find more cost savings and to possibly provide more efficient and better services for the seniors.

Motion to Authorization to send out RFP for Deerpark Senior Shuttle Service

Motion by Gary Spears, 2nd by David Hoovler to authorization to send out RFP for Deerpark Senior Shuttle Service.

Discussion: Councilman Hoovler asked if this RFP (Request For Proposal) would be consistent with the procurement policy and the Supervisor answered yes, and that if they spend over \$10,000 for the program, they need to put it out to bid.

VOTE: 5 AYES: Gary Spears, Arthur Trovei, David Hoovler, David Dean, Karl Brabenec

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Schedule Special Meeting March 14, 2011 at 7:00 PM – P/T Police Officer Interviews

Motion by Karl Brabenec, 2nd by Gary Spears to schedule a special meeting for Monday, March 14, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Deerpark Town Hall for making a motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of Police Officer Interviews for part time positions.

VOTE: 5 AYES: Gary Spears, Arthur Trovei, David Hoovler, David Dean, Karl Brabenec

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Supervisor Brabenec reminded those attending the meeting of the Decorum of Meetings that was adopted by Resolution 2 of 2010 concerning various points of public comment, speaking for 3 minutes at time, etc. He explained this presentation was a public forum for the purpose of getting information out to everyone regarding retirement benefits as well as the true cost of labor and that was why the Labor Consultant, Mr. Michael Richardson was going to make a presentation in the meeting. He encouraged everyone to abide by the rules of the decorum.

Motion to Recess Until 7:30 PM

Motion by David Hoovler, 2nd by Gary Spears to recess until 7:30 p.m.

VOTE: 5 AYES: Gary Spears, Arthur Trovei, David Hoovler, David Dean, Karl Brabenec

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting Reconvened at 7:32 p.m.

Supervisor Brabenec welcomed everyone to the presentation and the many town supervisors from Sullivan and Orange County joining them. He recognized Mr. Michael Hays, Supervisor from the Town of Montgomery and Mr. Gary Flieger, former Supervisor of the Town of Deerpark, and County Legislator Dennis Simmons. He then thanked Legislators Dennis Simmons and Melissa Bonacic for their work in getting \$721,000 in grants possible for the town to apply for. Two representatives from the Town of Monroe were there as well. The supervisor explained that the meeting was set up over two months previously because many town boards around the state and many municipalities and school districts were talking about the costs of retirement health benefits, the cost of health benefits and the real cost of labor. They want to get the facts and figures out to everyone. The ultimate goal was to educate the public on the trust costs of labor. There were hidden costs that would be presented tonight. They want to show the fiscal math behind a lot of their conclusions. The bottom line is to spend the tax payers money wisely.

Presentation on the True Cost of Labor and Retirement Health Benefits by Mr. Michael Richardson (There is a tape on file at the Town Clerk's Office of the entire presentation available for six months.) Questions and Answers followed the presentation. A couple comments from the public were made.

Motion to pay bills:

Motion by Karl Brabenec, 2nd by Gary Spears, to pay bills that have been signed by three council members, and may be viewed in the Town Clerk's office.

General Fund Abstract #5 of 2011 for a total of \$124,945.33

Highway Fund Abstract #5 of 2011 for a total of \$37,078.02

VOTE: 5 AYES: Gary Spears, Arthur Trovei, David Hoovler, David Dean, Karl Brabenec

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Adjourn at 9:06 PM

Motion by David Hoovler, 2nd by David Dean to adjourn the meeting at 9:06 p.m.

VOTE: 5 AYES: Gary Spears, Arthur Trovei, David Hoovler, David Dean, Karl Brabenec

MOTION CARRIED

Submitted by,

Florence T. Santini
Town Clerk