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MEMBERS PRESENT

Councilman Robert Seager
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski
Councilman William Karn
Supervisor William Hasenauer
Deputy Supervisor John Isley

MEMBERS ABSENT

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Supervisor William Hasenauer.

TOWN CLERK MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilman William Karn and seconded by Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski to accept the minutes from the February 15, 2012 Regular Town Board meeting and the February 22, 2012 Special Town Board meeting. Roll call vote:

Councilman Robert Seager- yes
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski - yes
Councilman William Karn - yes
Supervisor William Hasenauer – yes

ABSTRACTS:

GENERAL:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Nancy Kardash and seconded by Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski to pay Abstract #3 – Vouchers #136-206 in the amount of \$36,601.84. Roll call vote:

Councilman Robert Seager- yes
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski - yes
Councilman William Karn - yes
Supervisor William Hasenauer – yes

HIGHWAY:

A motion was made by Councilman Robert Seager and seconded by Councilman William Karn to pay Abstract #3 – Vouchers #36-67 in the amount of \$62,773.15. Roll call vote:

Councilman Robert Seager- yes
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski - yes
Councilman William Karn - yes
Supervisor William Hasenauer – yes

TOWN ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Nothing for this month.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT:

A motion was made by Councilman Robert Seager and seconded by Councilwoman Nancy Kardash to accept the Town Clerk's report. Roll call vote:

Councilman Robert Seager- yes
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski - yes
Councilman William Karn - yes
Supervisor William Hasenauer – yes

Gerry Ritter reported that the archive grant application has been filed and expects a response sometime in July. No matching funds from the Town are necessary.

Town Clerk Entwistle stated that the Town Trash days are set. The first will be June 9th at the Woodgate School and the second will be September 8 at the Town Highway Barn. Permits are necessary and available at the Town Clerk's office.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

A motion was made by Councilman Robert Seager and seconded by Councilman William Karn to approve the transfers from the General Fund to the Sewer Fund in the amount of \$749.47. Roll call vote:

Councilman Robert Seager- yes
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski – yes
Councilman William Karn – yes
Supervisor William Hasenauer - yes

TO: Town of Forestport Town Board Members
FROM: Dawn Campbell

FUND: **General**

SUBJECT: Loan to Sewer

Loan to Sewer for part 3/12 Monthly Bills

Entries:			
Transfer	from	201.01 General Savings	\$749.47
	to	201.09 Sewer Savings	\$749.47

Done 3/21/12

JUSTICE REPORT:

Nothing this month.

NOCCOG:

Gerry Ritter announced a conference at SUNY-IT on Thursday, April 19th at 6:30 regarding FOIL and the recent changes to the Open Meetings Law. Bob Freeman will lead the presentation.

Supervisor Hasenauer stated that the Town will be temporarily shutting down portions of the Town website for updates. Tonya Brown stated that the Assessment database portion of the site is up to date and will continue to function as usual.

PLANNING AND CODES REPORT:

A motion was made by Councilman Robert Seager and seconded by Councilwoman Nancy Kardash to accept the Planning Board minutes from February 13, 2012. Roll call vote:

Councilman Robert Seager- yes
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski - yes
Councilman William Karn - yes
Supervisor William Hasenauer – yes

Supervisor Hasenauer stated that the property at 10815 Dustin Road will be

cleaned up by the Town Highway Department in approximately two weeks. The cost of the cleanup will be added to the tax levy for the property.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT:

A motion was made by Councilman Robert Seager and seconded by Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski to accept the Assessor's Report. Roll call vote:

Councilman Robert Seager- yes
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski - yes
Councilman William Karn - yes
Supervisor William Hasenauer – yes

DOG CONTROL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Supervisor Hasenauer stated that Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski is working with Control Officer Charlene Sege to implement the Animal Control Complaint Form into the monthly reports.

SENIOR RECREATION REPORT:

The monthly report was read by Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski.

OLD BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Councilman Robert Seager and seconded by Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski to accept the Resolution to terminate the contract with Ward Associates regarding the Black River Enhancement Project. Roll call vote:

Councilman Robert Seager- yes
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski - yes
Councilman William Karn - yes
Supervisor William Hasenauer – yes

Discussion took place regarding the status of the Twin Bridges. A motion was made by Councilman William Karn and seconded by Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski to investigate a Town funded option for replacing the bridges. Roll call vote:

Councilman Robert Seager- yes
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski - yes
Councilman William Karn - yes
Supervisor William Hasenauer – abstained

Parker Snead of the Forestport Boat Company reported that he has information regarding possible options for rebuilding the Twin Bridges. He expressed concern over the length of time that the bridge project has been dormant. Councilman Karn stated that he will work with Mr. Snead regarding options for the bridges.

A motion was made by Councilman Robert Seager and seconded by Councilwoman Nancy Kardash to hold two Public Hearings. The first regarding the proposed Local Law on Harboring and Maintaining Animals at 6:15 pm April 3, 2012 and the second regarding the SEQR Comprehensive Plan at 6:00 pm on April 3, 2012. Both hearings will take place at the Forestport Town Hall. Roll call vote:

Councilman Robert Seager- yes
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski - yes
Councilman William Karn - yes
Supervisor William Hasenauer – yes

Supervisor Hasenauer reported that the Town has several properties which they are putting up for sale. The properties are as follows:

- “Critter's Crossing” - Route 28
- Trackside Blazers Clubhouse – North Lake Rd.
- Otter Lake Dump – Route 28

The properties will be advertised in the town newspapers and sealed bids will be opened at the Town Board meeting.

OLD BUSINESS – PUBLIC:

Nothing this month.

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski and Tonya Brown reported that they are spearheading the Town wide Cleanup Day on April 28th. A tent will be at the Town Highway Barn where volunteers can pick up free gloves and garbage bags. Trash collected along town roads can be brought to the Highway Barn.

An ad will be placed in the town newspapers for Summer Recreation workers.

Councilwoman Kwasniewski stated that the Town will be sponsoring Tuesday Night Canal Walks. Residents are encouraged to come and walk or run the canal path on Tuesdays from May 22nd through June 26th. Walking will begin at 6 pm and there is no charge.

A motion was made by Councilman Robert Seager and seconded by Councilwoman Nancy Kardash to publish an ad seeking bids on the Town's 2001 F-350 truck. Minimum bid will be \$5000, and the truck is available at the Town Highway Barn for inspection. Roll call vote:

Councilman Robert Seager- yes
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski - yes
Councilman William Karn - yes
Supervisor William Hasenauer – yes

NEW BUSINESS – PUBLIC:

Greg Albright of the Trackside Blazers stated the club is in the end stages of moving out of the North Lake Road clubhouse. He also expressed concern over the lack of snow this winter and its' impact on not only the snowmobile club but the town's economy.

T.J. Entwistle of the Adirondack White Lake Association proposed a local law regarding the transportation of aquatic invasive species within the Town of Forestport. Supervisor Hasenauer stated that he would check with the Town Attorney regarding the legal aspects of such a law.

A comment was made from the gallery concerning posting drafts of Board minutes on the website rather than waiting to post the approved minutes. The main concern is the lag associated with waiting for Board approval. Supervisor Hasenauer stated the Board will consider it while updating the website.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Board retired to Executive session regarding a personnel issue at 8:14. They returned at 8:23 pm. A motion was made by Councilman William Karn and seconded by Councilwoman Nancy Kardash to hold a public hearing regarding making the Board of Assessment Review five members rather than the current three. Roll call vote:

Councilman Robert Seager- yes
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski - yes
Councilman William Karn - yes
Supervisor William Hasenauer – yes

The Public Hearing will be at 5:45 pm on April 3, 2012 at the Forestport Town Hall.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Councilman Robert Seager and seconded by Councilwoman Nancy Kardash to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote:

Councilman Robert Seager- yes
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski - yes
Councilman William Karn - yes
Supervisor William Hasenauer – yes

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm by Supervisor Hasenauer.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley T. Entwistle
Forestport Town Clerk