

Regular Meeting of the Town Board of Putnam, January 8th, 2009

At 7:00PM the regular meeting of the Putnam Town Board was opened and began by auditing the bills, Supervisors monthly report and the Town Clerks monthly report. Councilman Kevin Hart opened the meeting by leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken with the following members present:

Present: Supervisor John LaPointe
Councilman Kevin Hart
Councilman Greg Harris
Councilwoman Cathie Burke
Councilwoman Shirley Randall

Others present: Patricia Wilson (Town clerk); Gary Treadway (Highway Superintendent); Bob Rudt, Bob and Ed Coulter.

Resolution #1

ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 2009 MEETING

On motion of Councilwoman Shirley Randall, seconded by Councilwoman Cathie Burke, the following resolution was ADOPTED; Ayes 4, Nays 0.

RESOLVED that the minutes of December, 2008 meeting be approved.

Resolution #2

ACCEPT THE SUPERVISORS MONTHLY REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2008

On motion of Councilman Greg Harris, seconded by Councilman Kevin Hart, the resolution was ADOPTED. Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Resolution #3

ACCEPT THE TOWN CLERKS MONTHLY REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2008

On motion of Councilwoman Shirley Randall, seconded by Councilwoman Cathie Burke, the resolution was ADOPTED. Ayes 4, Nays

Resolution #4

ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

On motion of Councilman Greg Harris, seconded by Councilwoman Cathie Burke, the resolution was ADOPTED. Ayes 4, Nays

RESOLUTION #5
PAY AUDITED BILLS

On motion of Councilman Kevin Hart, seconded by Councilwoman Cathie Burke, the following resolution was: **ADOPTED.** Ayes 4, Nays 0

Resolved that the bills be paid on Abstract #1 in the following amounts;

General Account	# 1 – 11	\$5,446.45
Highway Account	# 1 - 6	\$5,935.02
Royal Anchorage Sewer District # 1		\$2,500.00

CORRESPONDANCE

Gary Treadway (Highway Superintendent) presented Supervisor LaPointe with a memorandum from County Highway Superintendent Willy Grimmke. In it, Mr. Grimmke explains that he is currently working with a consultant to write a grant application for funding the study of snow plowing in the county, towns and state roads, and to implement optimal snow routing in Washington County. Mr. Grimmke points out in the memorandum that in order to get the maximum benefit out of any study and suggested change to current practice, participation at all levels of government will be needed.

Resolution #6

LOCAL GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY GRANT – SNOW PLOWING

On motion of Councilman Greg Harris, seconded by Councilwoman Shirley Randall, the following resolution was **ADOPTED.** Ayes 4, Nays 0

RESOLVED that the Town Board of Putnam does hereby support the efforts of Superintendent Willy Grimmke and Consultant Jack Rielly to write a grant application to NYS DOT and the Department of State for funding for determining and implementing optimal snow plow routing in Washington County.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

None

LEGAL

None

HIGHWAY

Highway Superintendent Gary Treadway reports that the sand and salt stockpile is down about 30 – 40%. He also reports that Tom Jarrett stopped by the barn to check some

things out. He informs Superintendent Treadway that he has not been able to contact the contractor about the water problem, where it runs down the windows and the sides of the building. He asked Superintendent Treadway if the Town Attorney could write the contractor informing him about the drip edge and the water problem where the water runs off the windows and the side of the building.

PLANNING BOARD

None

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor LaPointe reports that he has spoken to Betty Little about the grant for the Lake Champlain access. "She is still on board with the grant but she is concerned about the contract with the land owners."

Royal Anchorage Sewer District

A lengthy discussion was held between the board and Supervisor LaPointe as to when people can start working on their property? Councilman Harris realizes that people have been waiting a long time but his opinion is that they should wait to make sure that everything is operating correctly. Mr. Rudt, Planning Board Member, points out that the Planning Board has been lenient with people that have their paperwork and permits that are done properly, and issue the permits that same night.

NEW BUSINESS

Supervisor LaPointe will contact Dr. James Mack, VMD to set a date for a rabies clinic in February.

Resolution #7

TRANSFER OF FUNDS

On motion of Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilwoman Burke, the following resolution was ADOPTED. Ayes 5, Nays 0.

RESOLVED that funds be transferred as follows;

General Fund	From 9010.8	To 8160.4	\$1847.70
	9010.8	9030.4	\$1133.61
	7310.4	9060.4	\$7742.72
	1990.4	1110.4	\$1762.66
	1990.4	1440.4	\$4000.00
	1990.4	1640.4	\$20350.93
	1990.4	1920.4	\$49.00
	1220.4	1670.4	\$1081.23
	9010.8	5010.1	\$1600.00
	9010.8	7110.4	\$1740.00
	9010.8	7310.1	\$1105.50
	9010.8	8020.4	\$649.97
Highway Fund	5130.2	5130.4	\$3994.51
	9030.8	9060.8	\$104.26
2009	1990.4	1820.1	\$700.00

On motion of Councilwoman Cathie Burke, seconded by Councilman Kevin Hart to Adjourn the regular meeting at 7:35PM.

Respectfully submitted, _____ Patricia Wilson, Town Clerk

John LaPointe _____ Supervisor

Greg Harris _____ Councilman

Shirley Randall _____ Councilwoman

Cathie Burke _____ Councilwoman

Kevin Hart _____ Councilman