

September 12, 2011

The regular monthly meeting of the Torrey Town Board was held on September 12, 2011 at town meeting room, 56 Geneva St. Dresden and was called to order by Supervisor Flynn at 7:30PM. Due to Elections Primary this meeting was held Monday night.

Present: Patrick H. Flynn, John H. Martini Burge W. Morris, Colby J. Petersen.
Excused: Linda K. Francisco

Supervisor Flynn led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Board accepted Insurance proposals from John Kuhle- Sprague Ins. and Matthew Tette - Stork Insurance. The Board will review these proposals and make a determination at a later date.

Mr. Flynn presented the abstracts of vouchers for review and approval.

Motion by Mr. Morris, 2nd Mrs. Francisco that the bills on the General A & B Accounts in the amount of \$ 13773.52 be paid, carried.

Motion by Mrs. Francisco, 2nd Mr. Petersen, that the bills on the Highway DA & DB Accounts in the amount of \$16899.97 to be paid, carried.

Motion by Mr. Morris 2nd Mr. Petersen, that the bills on the Watershed Account in the amount of \$547.06 be paid, carried.

Motion by Mr. Morris, 2nd Mr. Petersen, approving the minutes of August meeting carried.

Discussion regarding hydro-frackin, many residents have appeared and requested that the Town Board enact laws to protect the town from the threat of hydro-fracking in this area. Asked "what is the Boards view". Mr. Martini stated this issue is controlled by higher powers Specifically the DEC. Any Laws that the town may place can be challenged or overruled. Residents making a lot of noise about stiffer regulations, heavy bonds for protection of existing water wells, maintain that a water treatment system must be operating in area before any drilling can commence. He supports a moratorium to protect watershed.

Dave Bond listed several alternatives used for drilling instead of chemicals and water. Sand and plastic bb's have been used out west.

John Christensen stated the increase level(almost triple) amount of salt coming out of drilling in fracking waste water must be controlled.

John Ghidiu referred to the present town's comprehensive plan which promotes open space, agriculture and tourism. Once fracking arrives this will become an industrial area.

Urges board to have meeting with town residents to determine their desires for the future of this community.

BJ O'Reilly stated that over 1.5 millions of gallons are needed, she asked board if they knew where the water would come from.

Colby Petersen encouraged attendees to volunteer on a committee to draft the local law regarding regulations on hydrofracking within the Town.

Motion by Mr. Martini 2nd Mr. Morris to draft a 1 year moratorium on Hydrofracking and mining in the Town of Torrey carried by all.

Mr. Flynn read a FEMA Resolution for Yates County Multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Motion by Mr. Martini 2nd Mr. Morris, to adopt the YC Multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan carried by all.

Mr. Flynn read a Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Resolution which request of Governor Cuomo to consider and direct strategies to help mitigate the impact the current 10 Million in environmental fees charges to AES Greenidge through Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, to raise awareness and call for additional measures, to repeal Governor Patterson's executive order # 24 which sets unrealistic targets for the reduction of greenhouse gas emission in NYS and recognize current policies of the State of New York in this area are detrimental to continued operations at AES Greenidge as well as coal fired plants at 16 other sites around New York which are critical to meeting New York's electrical needs.

This resolution asks Governor Cuomo to weigh these matters fully and in doing so, to find strategies that appropriately consider the goal of preserving and protecting our environment while supporting our existing businesses in order that our economy can endure.

Motion by Mr. Martini 2nd Mr. Petersen to adopt this resolution carried by all.

Mr. Morris and Mr. Petersen will do the annual audit of Justice books for the year September 2010 to August 2011 on September 21, 2011.

Mr. Flynn set September 27 at 7:30 PM as 2012 Budget workshop.

Richard Brow appeared before the board to give update on Torrey Dresden Veterans Project. He began by thanking the Town Board for help offered. He reminded dedication date set at 11/11/11 at 11:00AM. Special thanks to Clerk and Councilman Morris for all their help with this project thus far.

Dave Bond gave a brief report on roads.

There being no further business before the board

Motion to move into executive session for a employee matter was made by Mr. Flynn 2nd Mr. Martini at 8:30PM

Mr. Flynn made the motion 2nd Mr. Martini to move back into open meeting after no action was taken in executive session at 8:45 PM.

Motion to adjourn at 8:50 PM

Respectfully submitted