

STATE OF NEW YORK
ONONDAGA COUNTY
TOWN OF CICERO

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The Cicero Town Board held their regular meeting on Wednesday, June 13, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. at the Cicero Town Hall, 8236 Brewerton Road, Cicero, NY 13039.

Present: Jim Corl, Supervisor
Jessica Zambrano, Councilor
C. Vernon Conway, Councilor
Lynn Jennings, Councilor
Tim Burtis, Councilor
Tracy Cosilmon, Town Clerk

Others Present : Christopher Woznica, Highway
Joseph Snell, Police Chief
Robert Germain, Germain & Germain, Town Attorney
Ron DeTota, C & S Companies, Town Engineer

Mr. Corl indicated where the fire exits were and read the following statement:

The Cicero Town Board acknowledges the importance of full public participation in all public hearings and therefore urges all who wish to address those in attendance to utilize the microphones located in the front of the room. At this time please turn off your cell phones and be sure to speak clearly into the microphones to enable all to hear.

The meeting was opened at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A moment of silence was observed in remembrance of our men and women serving in the Armed Forces in harms way.

Councilor Jennings advised Veteran's, that they can render a hand salute even if they are not wearing a cap, when they are playing the Star Spangled Banner or saying the Pledge of Allegiance at functions, which was approved by Congress.

S.E.Q.R.
(State Environmental Quality Review Act)

Supervisor Corl moved the adoption of a resolution that all actions taken tonight are Type Two (2) or Unlisted actions under the New York Environmental Quality Review Act unless otherwise determined. Motion was seconded by Councilor Conway.

Ayes - 5 and Noes- 0. *Motion carried.*

APPROVAL OF TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Supervisor Corl moved the adoption of a resolution to approve the minutes of the May 23, 2012 Regular Town Board Meeting. Motion was seconded by Councilor Zambrano.

Ayes- 5 and Noes – 0. *Motion carried.*

APPROVAL OF ABSTRACT #11 OF 2012

Councilor Jennings moved the adoption of a resolution to approve Abstract #11, of 2012 as follows: Motion was seconded by Councilor Zambrano.

General Fund Voucher # 971 to Voucher # 1129 In the amount of \$796,211.02
Highway Fund Voucher # 277H to Voucher #322H In the amount of \$117,432.79

Ayes – 5 and Noes – 0. *Motion carried.*

BUDGET MODIFICATIONS

TOWN BOARD MEETING
06/13/2012

Councilor Jennings moved the adoption of a resolution to approve the following budget modifications as follows: Motion was seconded by Supervisor Corl.

2012
BUDGET MODIFICATIONS

FROM		\$	TO
DB 511055	Contractual Maint	2500.00	DB511051 Concrete Blocks
A51324	Garage Contractual	4000.00	A33104 Traffic Control Contractual
DB513047	Body Maintenance	2500.00	DB513047 Sweeper/Repair
B312050	Police Camera Supply	250.00	B312054 Police Computer Labor
A11101	Justice Personal Services	3778.45	A11102 Justice Equipment

BUDGET AMENDMENTS

B2004	Learn To Swim	3700.00
B715012	Learn To Swim Personal Serv.	3640.00
B715047	Learn to Swim Contractual	120.00
A3060JCAP	Justice Grant	1587.86
A11104JCAP	Justice Grant Contractual	1587.86
B3389TEN	Tennis Grant	1229.62
B702044 TENNIS	Tennis Grant Contractual	1229.62

Ayes – 5 and Noes – 0. *Motion carried..*

RECOGNITION OF WORLDWIDE KNIT IN PUBLIC DAY

Deborah Gardner, along with a group of knitters that knit at the Northern Onondaga Public Library (NOPL), on a weekly basis were recognized by Supervisor Corl who read a proclamation in which the town board recognized the NOPL Knitters as an intrical part of the community.

PRESENTATION BY KATIE BLOSS, TOWN OF CICERO SENIOR ADVOCATE ABOUT
CATHOLIC CHARITIES ELDERLY SERVICES

Katie Bloss, Town of Cicero Senior Advocate who is also with Catholic Charities Elderly Services gave a summary on some of the following services they have to offer:

- Come to your home
- Help you complete applications to programs
- Health care
- Legal Services
- Transportation
- Housing
- Nutrition and exercise
- Socialization
- Caregiver information

*Provide information about stretching household income with:

- Social Security Inc
- Food Stamps
- EPIC
- Senior Work Programs
- Medicare Savings Program

For more information call Katie Bloss @ Catholic Charities Elderly Services 454-0168 #22.

PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AN AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 181
STREETS AND SIDEWALKS TO ADD A
NEW ARTICLE III MAINTENANCE STANDARDS

Proof of publication and posting was presented to the Town board by Town Clerk.

The public notice read as follows:

TOWN OF CICERO PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that there will be introduced before the Town Board of the Town of Cicero, County of Onondaga and State of New York, an application to consider an Amendment to Chapter 181 Streets and Sidewalks to add a new Article III Maintenance Standards.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the public hearing will be held on the aforesaid application at the Town Hall, located at 8236 Brewerton Road, Cicero, New York 13039, on the 13th day of June, 2012, commencing at approximately 6:30 P.M., local time, at which time all interested persons will be given an opportunity to be heard.

DATED: May 24th, 2012

TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF CICERO,
COUNTY OF ONONDAGA, NEW YORK
BY: TOWN CLERK

Supervisor Corl stated they set the Public Hearing a while ago; it was at the prompting of the Planning Board when the Chase Bank was going in by the old Mobile Station on Route 11 and they had noticed that they did not have anything in place regarding maintenance of sidewalks. Chase was putting a sidewalk in the town right-of-way, but there was nothing saying they needed to maintain it and shovel it or those types of things.

Public Hearing was opened at 7:04 p.m.

Speaking for – None

Speaking against –

Don Snyder stated he wasn't opposed, but he wanted to know what they were asking the public to do. Because if their saying the homeowner has to shovel the sidewalk, keep it clear, fixed, etc., then they are adding an additional burden to our seniors that may be in an area where there is sidewalks. He also doesn't want to add additional work to the Police Department or the Code Enforcement Office to have to write citations to people that don't do this. He feels we need to be careful of who this is going to target, especially if its going to hit our seniors, we don't need to add additional financial burdens to them having to hire people to shovel or maintain the sidewalks.

Supervisor Corl said this particular local law addresses plowing, shoveling, sweeping, or piling snow or such materials. It doesn't address the actual physical maintenance of them such as they need to be repaired or those types of things. That would probably be a separate ordinance which they do not have either. That might be addressed in the future.

Chris Woznica asked if this was for the streets from Town Hall all the way to the high school or for any new sidewalks that they put in now.

Supervisor Corl replied this would regulate all sidewalks within the town. It would be up to the property owner to maintain them.

Chris Woznica asked if this meant that the highway department would no longer be plowing the snow off the sidewalks anymore to the high school.

Supervisor Corl responded that this local law reads that it would not. It is up to the property owner in that vicinity to maintain the sidewalk and keep it clear.

Public Hearing was closed at 7:07 p.m.

Supervisor Corl solicited any comments or discussion from the Town Board.

Board Comments

Councilor Jennings asked if we plow the parking lots at the school. Chris Woznica advised him that highway only sweeps them.

Councilor Jennings stated one of the problems he envisioned is that there are people that have no place, in the snowbelt area that we are in, should there be a major storm to put the snow. Where should they go with it, it can only be piled so high before it becomes a safety factor. Otherwise, given a good winter, there would be no place in a small development or small housing for them to put the snow. If at that point, could they call highway and have them pick it up. It's something they need to look at.

Councilor Burtis asked if this just pertained to the maintenance standards.

Supervisor Corl replied yes. He asked Councilor Jennings if he wanted the opportunity to look at this more.

Councilor Jennings stated he didn't have a problem. It's one of those things that are written in there. He thinks they need to be very careful, in a heavy winter, how they approach people moving snow from their property whether it's abutting another neighbor or where they are putting the snow.

Supervisor Corl asked the board members if they'd like to defer the hearing to another date to look at it further.

Councilor Conway stated they do need to look into it further in these neighborhoods, some way of getting the snow out.

Councilor Zambrano commented that most neighborhoods don't have sidewalks. The newer developments that have been built in the town have been built without sidewalks. The State, as they know Route 31 and Route 11 are state roads and a commercial area. Just from feedback from the Planning Board the State seems to want commercial developments to put in sidewalks on Route 11 and Route 31. The target of this ordinance is for the commercial areas. Snow removal is a problem anyway from roads, but they are just talking about sidewalks right now in commercial areas.

Councilor Jennings replied he understands the maintenance of sidewalks is basically what they are looking at. But, they need to take into consideration, if they read the rest of it, about where they can go with snow and what they can do with it. At the very bottom it says a \$50.00 fine or 15 days in the Jamesville Penitentiary.

Supervisor Corl advised him that they will discuss it a little bit more and will defer it until the next meeting.

Chris Woznica stated he had a concern with the sidewalk to the high school; they keep it cleaned as much as they can but since they aren't going to do it anymore he doesn't know who is going to clean it between the little strip mall there, the auto auction to the high school.

Supervisor Corl stated they would put it on the next agenda.

SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE TO CONSIDER A LIGHTING DISTRICT FOR THE
PASTURES SECTION 6 TO INCLUDE HOYT FARM, PORTIONS OF ELECTRIC
RAILWAY AND ANGLERS (SEE ATTACHMENT A FOR TAX MAP NUMBERS), FOR
JUNE 27, 2012, BEGINNING AT 6:30 P.M.

Supervisor Corl moved the adoption of a resolution to set June 27, 2012 at 6:30 p.m., at the Cicero Town Hall, 8236 Brewerton Rd., Cicero, NY, for a public hearing to consider a Lighting District for the Pastures Section 6, to include Hoyt Farm, portions of Electric Railway and Anglers Club (see attachment A for parcel identification numbers). Motion was seconded by Councilor Zambrano.

Ayes - 5 and Noes - 0. *Motion carried.*

SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE TO CONSIDER AN AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 66 OF
THE CICERO TOWN CODE SECTION 66 – BRUSH, GRASS, RUBBISH AND WEEDS,
FOR JUNE 27, 2012 AT 6:30 P.M.

Supervisor Corl stated they have a proposed ordinance regarding an amendment to their brush, grass, rubbish and weeds their attorney has drafted up. It has been circulated amongst the board. This would allow the codes office to have a little bit easier time of getting the people that don't mow their lawns, getting the town to take care and remedy those situations regarding notice and what not.

Councilor Zambrano moved the adoption of a resolution to set June 27, 2012 at 6:30 p.m., at the Cicero Town Hall, 8236 Brewerton Rd., Cicero, NY for a public hearing to consider an amendment to Chapter 66 of the Cicero Town Code Section 66 – Brush, Grass, Rubbish and Weeds. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Corl

Ayes - 5 and Noes - 0. *Motion carried.*

SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE TO CONSIDER A ZONE CHANGE FROM GENERAL
COMMERCIAL TO GENERAL COMMERCIAL PLUS FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT
BREWERTON ROAD, IN THE TOWN OF CICERO BEARING
TAX MAP #119.-02-30.2 FOR JULY 11, 2012, BEGINNING AT 6:30 P.M.

George Lonergan, Owner of J&J Equipment, which sells municipal type of equipment to cities and towns all over upstate New York. He has outgrown his current location is 9055 Route 11, but would like to move his business across the road to build a bigger and better facility. Because the new property is not zoned as he needs it, he is requesting a zone change from General Commercial to General Commercial Plus.

Councilor Zambrano moved the adoption of a resolution to set July 11, 2012 at 6:30 p.m., at the Cicero Town Hall, 8236 Brewerton Rd., Cicero, NY, to consider a Zone Change from General Commercial to General Commercial Plus for the property located at Brewerton Road, in the Town of Cicero, bearing tax map #119.-02-30.2. Motion was seconded by Councilor Burtis.

Ayes - 5 and Noes - 0. *Motion carried.*

EXTEND TRASH REMOVAL CONTRACT WITH FEHER RUBBISH FOR ONE (1) YEAR
THROUGH JULY 2, 2013, PER SAME TERMS, COSTS AND CONDITIONS AS THE
CURRENT CONTRACT

Supervisor Corl stated the trash contract expires on July 2, 2012. The current contract does allow for a one (1) year extension.

After checking with the town attorney, Supervisor Corl deferred the topic until the next town board meeting to be held on June 27, 2012.

APPROVAL TO RETAIN THE SERVICES OF JAMES ROWLEY, AS BUDGET OFFICER
FOR THE 2013 BUDGET IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$8,000.00, PURSUANT TO
THE PROPOSAL SUBMITTED ON MAY 23, 2012

Supervisor Corl moved the adoption of a resolution for approval to retain the services of James Rowley, as Budget Officer for the 2013 Budget Officer for the 2013 Budget in an amount not to exceed \$8,000.00, pursuant to the proposal submitted on May 23, 2013. Motion was seconded by Councilor Zambrano.

Councilor Jennings stated when they originally went out in their motion in voting was for the adoption of a resolution to request qualifications and quotes for the professional consulting services for a Financial Advisor per the May 9, 2012 Town Board Meeting, now they are mixing the term Budget Officer.

Robert Germain advised Councilor Jennings that the specifications were written to give the board lead way in terms of how much scope of services they wanted to retain. So that they could have more scope of services, a larger contract if they wanted longer or more services, so they could

narrow it down. What they've come down to is his financial advice, certainly that's what this is and that's what they are doing with this resolution. With the term "Budget Officer", its financial advice.

Councilor Jennings stated this was going to entail about \$8,000.00 in taxpayer dollars to have the individual do this program. The last two (2) years, the Comptroller and Deputy Comptroller provided an on-time, and a very easy to understand budget for this town at no extra cost. So even at the minimum they saved \$16,000.00 the past two years. His understanding is that they will be feeding information from the departments and through the comptroller to the advisor/budget officer to input data. He is concerned that they are putting another \$8,000.00 out there when they have the expertise within the town of their own employees.

Councilor Burtis stated that he is not a fan of spending money, but he thinks this is necessary. It's true they have had budgets, but last year they took \$900,000.00 from savings accounts and to him that is not a budget. They created a bridge with that money and he doesn't think that's right. He believes they need help and Mr. Rowley comes with excellent credentials, new ideas and he thinks that's what they need.

Councilor Zambrano supported what Councilor Burtis said agreeing that Mr. Rowley has a depth of experience with large amounts of monies in tight fiscal times and she believes we need the expertise.

Councilor Conway commented that Mr. Rowley did a very good job at his presentation and he thinks they should go with Mr. Rowley also.

Supervisor Corl moved the adoption of a resolution to retain the services of James Rowley as Budget Officer for the 2013 Budget, in an amount not to exceed \$8,000.00, pursuant to the proposal submitted on May 23, 2013. Motion was seconded by Councilor Zambrano.

Ayes - 4 and Noes - 1. Councilor Jennings Opposed.

Motion carried.

DESIGNATE SHIRLIE STUART, COMPTROLLER, AS STEWARD OF THE CHANGE
BANK WITHIN THE ZONING AND PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Supervisor Corl moved the adoption of a resolution to designate Shirlie Stuart, Comptroller, as Steward of the change bank within the Zoning and Planning Department. Motion was seconded by Councilor Burtis.

Ayes - 5 and Noes - 0. *Motion carried.*

ESTABLISH STANDARD WORK DAYS FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS,
AND TO REPORT THE DAYS WORKED TO THE NEW YORK STATE AND LOCAL
EMPLOYEE'S RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Supervisor Corl moved the adoption of a resolution to establish Standard Work Days for elected and appointed officials and to report the days worked to the New York State and Local Employee's Retirement System. Motion was seconded by Councilor Zambrano.

Ayes - 5 and Noes - 0. *Motion carried.*

APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN THE APPLICATIONS FOR
THE FOLLOWING FIREWORKS PERMITS TO LAKESHORE YACHT & COUNTRY
CLUB, DISPLAY DATES ARE JULY 1, 2012 AT 9:00 P.M. AND JULY 28, 2012 AT 10:00
P.M. (ALL NECESSARY SIGNATURES AND \$75.00 PERMIT FEES HAVE BEEN
COLLECTED):

Councilor Jennings moved the adoption of a resolution to approve and authorize the Supervisor to execute the Annual Fireworks Permit for the Lakeshore Yacht & Country Club to be held on July 1, 2012 at 9:00 p.m., located at 6777 Lakeshore Road, Cicero. Motion was seconded by Councilor Conway.

Ayes - 5 and Noes - 0. *Motion carried.*

Councilor Jennings moved the adoption of a resolution to approve and authorize the Supervisor to execute the Fireworks Permit, submitted by Danielle McCann, Cicero, New York, for July 28, 2012 at Lakeshore Yacht & Country Club, located at 6777 Lakeshore Road, Cicero at 10:00 p.m. Motion was seconded by Councilor Zambrano.

Ayes - 5 and Noes - 0. *Motion carried.*

DRAINAGE PROJECTS AS PRESENTED BY C&S COMPANIES
(SLOOP DRIVE, LEDGESTONE LANE, HAWKEYE DRIVE, FINISH LINE TRAIL,
ROSE COURT DRIVE)

Ron DeTota, C&S Companies presented and recommended the consideration of the following five drainage maintenance projects, which have been discussed with the drainage working group as well as the Town Contractor, Charlie Mattes to obtain a refined scope of service along with the applicable cost estimate:

1)Sloop Drive: This project involves cleaning and re-grading of a rear yard drainage facility that is currently filled in and backing up drainage into the Town drainage system in Town highways and will damage these roads. The estimated cost for this project is \$10,500.00.

2)Ledgestone Lane: This project involves re-grading of a rear yard swale that is not functioning, causing considerable standing water in rear yards. The estimated cost for this project is \$9,000.00.

3)Hawkeye Drive: This project involves re-grading of a rear yard drainage facility that serves a large drainage area and is causing water to back up on private property. The estimated cost for this project is \$6,000.00.

4)Finish Line Trail: This effort involves repair of a rear yard catch basin. Storm water is currently draining through the weep holes and bringing soil with it creating sink holes. As time goes on this problem will get worse. The estimated cost for this repair is \$1,500.00.

5)Rose Court Drive: This project involves re-grading of a rear yard drainage facility that is largely filled in and is backing up water into residents yards. The estimated cost for this project is \$9,600.00.

Councilor Jennings stated he didn't receive the letter that the others have. But, he has a Cicero Drainage Complaint Status Report dated Wednesday, December 28, 2011, where it says Ledgestone Lane rear yard drainage is poor catch basin available it says no action by town is warranted, so he's not sure where they are going with that one. The Rose Court ditch maintenance needed so the road culvert functions properly 08/22/2011 it says maintenance works completed. So maybe that's a second or third time they are going in there? The last one, Sloop Drive it says channel cleaning is needed, possible 2000 project.

Councilor Zambrano asked the date of his report.

Councilor Jennings responded Wednesday, December 28, 2011.

Supervisor Corl stated the email that was circulated was dated June 7th, for the outline of the projects listed for this evening. He knows they've periodically talked about the drainage work group, which Councilor Conway, has been on. They meet every few weeks and these projects have been discussed throughout the Spring. He didn't know if there were further complaints or deterioration but they have been ongoing concerns with the engineers and our codes officer, Mr. Repko. He advised Councilor Jennings that these have all been discussed but he is welcome to attend a meeting.

Councilor Zambrano asked Ron DeTota if all these sites were visited this year and were current problems.

Ron DeTota replied yes.

Supervisor Corl moved the adoption of a resolution to approve the drainage maintenance projects as presented by C&S Companies for Sloop Drive, Ledgestone Lane, Hawkeye Drive, Finish Line Trail and Rose Court Drive as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilor Jennings.

Ayes - 5 and Noes - 0. *Motion carried.*

Councilor Burtis asked Supervisor Corl if the money would come out of the Drainage Budget and was advised it would.

POLICE DEPARTMENT APPROVALS

EXPENDITURE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$390.00 FOR OFFICERS MAIN AND SERAFIN TO ATTEND THE MANDATORY GLOCK ARMORER'S FIREARMS COURSE

Supervisor Corl moved the adoption of a resolution to approve an expenditure in the amount of \$390.00 for Officers Main and Serafin to attend the mandatory Glock Armorer's Firearms Course. Motion was seconded by Councilor Zambrano.

Ayes - 5 and Noes - 0. *Motion carried.*

REPAIRS TO POLICE DEPARTMENT BUILDING

Tracy Cosilmon solicited quotes from three vendors for repairs to the Police Department building, but the other two qualified trailer vendors did not give estimates.

Councilor Jennings moved the adoption of a resolution to approve an expenditure in the amount of \$1,884.00 to G&I Homes for siding (3 sides), stairs, frame in phone box repairs to the Police Department building. Budget Code: A1620.406. Motion was seconded by Councilor Zambrano.

Ayes - 5 and Noes - 0. *Motion carried.*

HIRE TWO (2) PART-TIME POLICE OFFICERS

Supervisor Corl stated both officers have agreed to pay the \$250.00 Registration Fee for Phase II at the Police Academy, themselves. The training for them runs from July 9th – August 9th. Once they complete Phase II they will receive their field training from our police department and added to the payroll.

Supervisor Corl moved the adoption of a resolution to approve the following two (2) part-time officers: Brian Fortino and Eric Flansburg effective June 13, 2012, with the starting salary of \$16.32/hour to be effective August 9, 2012. Motion was seconded by Councilor Zambrano.

Ayes - 5 and Noes - 0. *Motion carried.*

Tracy Cosilmon administered the Oath of Office to Brian Fortino and Eric Flansburg as part-time Police Officers for the Town of Cicero.

EMERGENCY PURCHASE APPROVAL FOR REPAIR OF THE TOWN HALL BUILDING COMPRESSOR

Councilor Jennings explained that there was an emergency with the compressor at Town Hall and through the nice work and time coordinated by Tracy; she acquired all necessary quotes and town board approvals for a remanufactured compressor in the amount of \$3,688 freight. Tracy also contacted the insurance carrier for possible reimbursement minus the deductible, which is currently being reviewed.

Councilor Jennings moved the adoption of a resolution to approve an emergency purchase in the amount of \$3,688.00 plus freight to Davis Mechanical (account code A162040), for the repair of the Town Hall building compressor. Motion was seconded by Councilor Conway.

Ayes - 5 and Noes - 0. *Motion carried.*

APPROVE ANNUAL MAINTENANCE WATER TREATMENT FOR THE TOWN HALL
COOLING TOWER

Councilor Jennings moved the adoption of a resolution to approve the Annual Maintenance Water Treatment for the Town Hall cooling tower in the amount of \$1,936.00 to Davis Mechanical. Motion was seconded by Councilor Conway.

Ayes - 5 and Noes - 0. *Motion carried.*

YOUTH BUREAU, PARKS & RECREATION APPROVALS

ACCEPT TENNIS GRANT FOR \$1,229.62 FROM 2012 USTA (UNITED STATES TENNIS
ASSOCIATION) GROW THE GAME OF TENNIS

Councilor Jennings moved the adoption of a resolution for approval to accept a Tennis Grant for \$1,229.62 from 2012 USTA (United States Tennis Association) Grow the Game of Tennis. Motion was seconded by Councilor Conway.

Ayes - 5 and Noes - 0. *Motion carried.*

PURCHASE APPROVALS

Councilor Jennings moved the adoption of a resolution to approve the following purchase approval for the Youth Bureau, Parks & Recreation Department (total expenditure amount of \$1,350.00).

ITEM: Six picnic tables purchased by North Syracuse Little League Participant Fee (at no cost to the Town)

VENDOR: Monarch Industries, Syracuse NY (ARC of Onondaga)

AMOUNT: \$1,350.00

BUDGET CODE: A7110.459NL

Motion was seconded by Councilor Burtis.

Ayes - 5 and Noes - 0. *Motion carried.*

STAFF APPOINTMENTS

Councilor Jennings requested approval for the following Youth Bureau Parks & Recreation appointment for a part-time Recreation Attendant:

Name: Danielle Trombley, 4174 Pisces Cr., Liverpool, NY 13090

Title: Recreation Attendant

Rate of Pay: \$7.50/hour

Hire Date: June 25, 2012

Budget Code: B7140.10

Councilor Jennings moved the adoption of a resolution to appoint Danielle Trombley, Recreation Attendant, part-time at a rate of \$7.50/hour with a maximum number of hours to be 320. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Corl.

Ayes - 5 and Noes - 0. *Motion carried.*

PURCHASE APPROVALS FOR HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Councilor Burtis moved the adoption of a resolution to approve the following purchase approval for the Highway Department:

ITEM: Additional amount for repair of springs on Truck #26

VENDOR: Allied Spring

AMOUNT: \$178.49 over P.O. #17993 of \$975.00

ACCOUNT CODE: DB513044

Motion was seconded by Councilor Jennings.

Ayes - 5 and Noes - 0. *Motion carried.*

Supervisor Corl stated at the next meeting, to be held on June 27th, they will be discussing salt for the highway department.

OVERVIEW OF THE ONONDAGA COUNTY PLANNING SYMPOSIUM
HELD JUNE 7, 2012

Supervisor Corl stated that he, along with Councilor Zambrano, and some of the Planning and Zoning Board of Appeal members attended the symposium held on June 7th. All of the materials can be distributed most of them are on the Onondaga County website.

Councilor Zambrano commented that it was an all day meeting and it was a very good program which she would recommend. There was a lot of information that was distributed, two main speakers and several options for programs that could be chosen. One of the programs that she participated in was for Green Infrastructure Challenges. It addressed implementations, new regulations for the New York State Stormwater Management Design Standards. It was a comprehensive presentation and one of the new design standards, for example, is to move away from drainage ponds and closed drainage systems to focus on having more impervious surfaces, to having smaller footprints of buildings. Instead of drainage ponds and closed drainage systems, there is an emphasis to mimic natural flows, to have shorter driveways, to have impervious paving bricks instead of asphalts, to have rain gardens. All of these things are designed to not cover our surfaces so that there is better area for rainwater. The speakers presented different projects that have implemented throughout the country. One of the measures talked about was to lessen the width of the roadways and Cicero has reduced their standards for the road lanes. The particular objective for narrowing the roadway was to decrease speed, but it also decreases the amount of impervious surface that goes down on the roads.

FOLLOW UP DISCUSSION ON BULL STREET SPEED LIMIT FROM PREVIOUS TOWN
BOARD MEETING

Supervisor Corl stated since the last town board meeting he did speak with a resident who had expressed some concern about extending it. Since that time, the 30 m.p.h. speed limit was posted. He spoke with the resident and they are satisfied with the placement of the 30 m.p.h. speed zone in that area and wanted to monitor the situation for a time but Councilor Jennings had asked for this to be further discussed.

Councilor Jennings spoke with Jody Rogers and Chief Snell. Originally, when this came out they were looking at maybe going from the Rod and Gun Club all the way down to Route 31. The residents that had the petition were very happy with the 30 m.p.h. zone that the board approved. However, since that time Gateway Park is becoming more active and there's a lot of traffic. He feels if they extend it all the way to Route 31 to a 30 m.p.h. zone then they will have satisfied what he feels is a safety issue.

Supervisor Corl thinks it's a good situation to monitor throughout the summer months.

Councilor Zambrano agreed.

PUBLIC INPUT

Ray Schader stated he has water in his back yard. He thinks property owners have some responsibilities for cleaning these easements. His house has a ditch in front of it, which he has maintained for over 50 years and it flows as good as did 50 years ago and the state has not done anything to it. He thinks somebody should make the property owners take care of their own easements.

Supervisor Corl advised him that in the past they spent \$400,000.00 on drainage and they have reduced that amount to \$200,000.00. They are focusing more on looking at the big picture and looking at getting the water out of the main water channels in the town. They also approved the new drainage maintenance standards as to what criteria they are using to do drainage projects. In the past they didn't have criteria so they are not doing just aesthetic work anymore, which they've done in the past. They are doing what is going to function and what's best for the town.

A resident had positive comments regarding the department heads no longer being required to attend Town Board meetings. She quoted that based upon 25 meetings per year, the cost of three department heads attendance comes to over \$7,800.00 per year. That amount does not include any payroll taxes the town has to pay for an hourly employee's attendance. She feels the liaisons are capable of explaining any requests and/or needs of the department heads at the meetings.

A resident wanted to recognize and compliment Jody Rogers for the new farmer's market which started a couple of weeks ago in the town of Cicero. She feels it's an outstanding project and it has brought a lot into the town.

Tom Beaulieu inquired about the status of Cobblestone. Supervisor Corl advised him that there was a meeting and that the Town's engineer was going to go out there again with another representative. There is going to be a follow up with the owner/site director of Cobblestone in approximately three weeks. Both the town and the owner of Cobblestone discussed possible options, given the fact that it's such a flat area; there's some options that both their engineer and our engineer wanted to explore before any final agreement or plan is made for that area.

Tom Beaulieu asked if they were assuming that this is not a Code violation for having standing water on their property, which the County is trying to avoid. Supervisor Corl replied there is information out there that this is a wetland. So if they get in that situation then there's nothing that can be done. At this point he thinks it's reasonable to try and work with the owner of Cobblestone to come up with some ideas as opposed to bringing it to court right now.

Tom Beaulieu stated he had spoken with Steve Kokkoris, from Onondaga East, regarding South Bay Bridge and asked him to upgrade some of the delineation, (they had done it several years ago and it had made it a little safer at night). He believes the State Department of Transportation did some work at Cicero Center Road where they had water problems by the church. In regards to the town hiring a budget officer, he feels that the Comptroller and Deputy Comptroller are capable of producing the budget.

Councilor Jennings stated that he feels that his right to speak on the board has been cut, by the Supervisor not allowing board comments and restricting what is put on the agendas. He stated he was elected by the residents of the town to serve as a councilor, on the town board, not to be serving as a liaison who reports every item from a department and what they want to spend, which he doesn't have the background they do. He disagreed with Mrs. Gardner; stating he doesn't have the knowledge of the Parks & Recreation Director in regards to all her numerous responsibilities, nor for the other department heads. He thinks the board is being handicapped by the fact that they have to present items and that they should bring back the elected officials in the building and let them do the jobs they were elected to do.

Supervisor Corl commented that the board makes the final decisions, so they have to be fully aware of the issues. He thinks the most reasonable way to do that is if you're a liaison to a particular department, being able to meet with that department head and then bring the issues to the town board because they are the ones ultimately make the decisions on financial issues that impact the town. So he thinks the method flows so they can have a consistent meeting and he believes it has been going well.

Councilor Jennings replied that the department head should be the one making the resolution to the board to consider and that they need to have the elected officials back in the town hall.

Supervisor Corl responded that it is appropriate for the elected officials to bring the resolutions to the floor. That is the way government is supposed to work, the elected officials bring what is supposed to be presented as opposed to others, such as department heads. By assigning prior, they never knew who was going to make a resolution so he has asked all board members, if they were a liaison to a particular department, and then they are the one in charge of making the resolution and presenting it to the board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Supervisor Corl announced that they would be entering into Executive Session and that they would not be reconvening and invited the town attorney to attend.

Supervisor Corl moved the adoption of a resolution to enter into Executive Session to discuss the matter of pending litigation and potential settlement of same. Councilor Zambrano seconded the motion.

Ayes - 5 and Noes - 0. *Motion carries.*

The Meeting adjourned into Executive Session at 8:34 p.m. and with there no further business before the board; the meeting was adjourned.

Tracy M. Cosilmon
Town Clerk