

At 7:03 p.m., Supervisor Johnson called the regular meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Johnson led the board and the audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call

Roll Call by the Town Clerk showed all board members present except Councilman Gordon who was absent.

Arthur Johnson- Supervisor
Raymond O’Conor-Deputy Supervisor
Ian McGaughey-Councilman
Charles Gerber-Councilman

Also present were Town Attorney Richard DeVall, Town Comptroller Jeffrey Reale and Director of Planning and Engineering Keith Manz.

Approve Pending Minutes

Supervisor Johnson asked for a motion and a second to approve the pending minutes from the last meeting.

On a motion introduced by Deputy Supervisor O’Conor, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION # 73

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to approve the minutes, from the January 3rd, 2008 meeting as typed without amendment.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman McGaughey, duly put to a vote, all in favor.

Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan

Larry Gordon

Supervisor Johnson stated that Councilman Gordon could not be here tonight he is in training related to the Emergency Plan that he is required to do. Councilman Gordon was appointed as the Emergency Services Coordinator and has worked on this temporary plan. The plan is required under the Home Land Security Presidential Declaration established a year ago and there are certain requirements for the Town. Supervisor Johnson also stated that Councilman Gordon

has recommended that we adopt the plan as presented but, there will be appendices added to this, such as phone numbers of contact people that should not be in the public document.

On a motion introduced by Councilman Gerber, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION # 74

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to adopt the Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan as presented.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman McGaughey, duly put to a vote, all in favor.

Amend Hudson Springs PUDD

Original Local Law No. 5 of 2005

Mr. Hoblock (Capital District Properties)

Supervisor Johnson asked Mr. Hoblock to address the board regarding the amendment to Hudson Springs PUDD. Mr. Hoblock explained the proposal to subdivide the existing single 53 acre parcel in half (indicating on the map in section 2 of the hand-out provided to the board). The proposed amendment is for financial reasons, when we finish the buildings that are under construction in the first parcel, taking the construction loan and rolling it over to a permanent loan. In order to do that, we need to subdivide. Mr. Hoblock stated that this requires an amendment to the existing PUDD for two reasons: it would alter the set-backs because of the new subdivision line, it alters the front and side set-backs. The other reason is; the original PUD legislation required one phase of construction and we want to be able to do it in two. The subdivision or the amendment does not change any use, lay-out, or design. Mr. Hoblock also stated that the one thing we would do is whether it is by deed or easement is to do a cross easement or deed restriction for storm water for access to utilities. After some discussion, the board set a public hearing for March 6, at 7:00 p.m..

Resignation (Park & Recreation Comm.)

Bob Guglielmo term to expire 7/13/08

On a motion introduced by Deputy Supervisor O’Conor, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION # 75

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to accept the resignation submitted by Bob Guglielmo for the position of member of the Park and Recreation Commission effective immediately.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by councilman Gerber, duly put to a vote, all in favor.

Resolution Opposing the Closing of Mt. McGregor Correctional Facility

Supervisor Johnson asked for a motion and a second to approve this resolution.

On a motion introduced by Deputy Supervisor O’Conor, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION # 76

OPPOSING THE CLOSING OF THE MINIMUM SECURITY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY AT MOUNT MCGREGOR

WHEREAS, Governor Spitzer proposed 2008-2009 State Budget does not provide funding for the minimum security facility at Mount McGregor, which would force the New York State Department of Corrections to close the facility.

WHEREAS, the minimum security prison facility has furnished employment to Wilton residents and valuable manual labor to The Town of Wilton and not for profit organizations; and

WHEREAS, the closing of the minimum security facility will cause the loss of more than 80 jobs, many held by Wilton residents.

WHEREAS, the closing of the facility will end the availability of minimum security inmates to lend valuable assistance to the town and not for profit programs and community projects; and

WHEREAS, the minimum security inmates presently housed at Mount McGregor will be moved to halfway houses located outside conventional facilities, creating a threat to the security of residents living in the area of the halfway houses caused by previously confined state

prisoners transitioning to community life in a unsupervised, uncontrolled non-secure environment; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wilton Town Board strongly opposes any closing of the minimum security prison facility at Mount McGregor, and urges Governor Spitzer and the State Legislature to provide the necessary funding to keep the Mount McGregor facility open.

AND, FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Commissioner of Corrections, Governor Spitzer, Senator Joseph Bruno, Senator Hugh T. Farley, Assemblyman Roy J. McDonald, Assemblyman James N. Tedisco, Assemblywoman Teresa R. Sayward and Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman McGaughey, duly put to a vote, all in favor.

Committee Reports (If Any)

Supervisor Johnson asked if there were any committee reports. There were none.

Comptroller's Report
(Including Bills & Transfers)

Budget (Transfers & Amendments) (2007)

On a motion introduced by Deputy Supervisor O'Connor, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION # 77

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to approve the budget transfers and amendments requested for and listed in the Comptroller's 2/12/08 report to the Town Board.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman McGaughey, duly put to a vote, all in favor.

2008 Budget

a.) IBR Department

On a motion introduced by Deputy Supervisor O’Conor, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION # 78

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to approve the change of the IBR Department number from A1430 to A1358, to be consistent with the NYS OSC chart of accounts.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman Gerber, duly put to a vote, all in favor.

b.) New Babe Ruth Field

On a motion introduced by Deputy Supervisor O’Conor, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION # 79

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to approve the budget amendment for the new Babe Ruth Field and;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, to increase A5110 Appropriation Reserves and A7111.2 Park Reserve in the amount of \$51,500.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman Gerber, duly put to a vote, all in favor.

c.) New Spring Soccer Program

On a motion introduced by Deputy Supervisor O’Conor, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION # 80

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to approve the budget amendment for the new Spring Soccer Program and;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, to increase A200.116 Soccer Program Fees and A7314.4 by \$6,500 each.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by councilman Gerber, duly put to a vote, all in favor.

d.) 2008 Budget Transfers and Amendments

On a motion introduced by Deputy Supervisor O’Conor, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION # 81

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to approve the budget transfers and amendments requested for and listed in the Comptroller’s 2/12/08 report the Town Board.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman McGaughey, duly put to a vote, all in favor.

Personnel

a.) Education (Building Department)

On a motion introduced by Deputy Supervisor O’Conor, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION # 82

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to approve the request submitted by Mike Mykins, Building Inspector and Scott Harrington, Assistant Building Inspector to attend the NE Enforcement

Conference in Lake Placid March 2-6, at the total cost of \$1,100 per person.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman Gerber, duly put to a vote, all in favor.

b.) Resignation (Highway Department)

On a motion introduced by Deputy Supervisor O'Connor, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION # 83

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to accept Michael Phillips resignation from the MEO Highway position effective 1/22/08.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman McGaughey, duly put to a vote, all in favor.

NYS Deferred Compensation Board

On a motion introduced by Deputy Supervisor O'Connor, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION # 84

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to approve the amendment and restate the Model Plan for the Deferred Compensation as follows:

WHEREAS, the New York State Deferred Compensation Board pursuant to section 5 of the New York State Finance Law and the Regulations of the New York State Deferred Compensation Board has promulgated the Plan Document of the Deferred Compensation Plan for employees of the Town of Wilton and offers the Model Plan for adoption by local employers;

WHEREAS, the Town of Wilton pursuant to Section 5 and the Regulations, has adopted and currently administers the Model Plan known as the

Deferred compensation Plan for employees of the Town of Wilton;

WHEREAS, effective December 7, 2007 the Board amended the Model Plan to adopt provisions

- 1.) Expanding the eligibility for unforeseeable emergency withdrawals
- 2.) Permitting law enforcement officers, firefighters, members of a rescue squad or ambulance crew who have retired for service or disability to request a plan distribution of up to \$3,000 annually to pay for health insurance or qualified long-term care premiums for themselves, their spouse or dependents.
- 3.) Permitting a beneficiary who is not the spouse of the deceased Participant to transfer their Plan account directly to an IRA.
- 4.) Permitting a Participant who is eligible for a distribution to rollover all or a portion of their Plan account to a Roth IRA.

WHEREAS, the board has offered for adoption the amended and restated Model Plan to each Model Plan sponsored by a local employer in accordance with Regulations; and

WHEREAS, upon due deliberation, The Town of Wilton has concluded that it is prudent and appropriate to amend the Deferred Compensation Plan for Employees of The Town of Wilton by adopting the amended Model plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that The Town of Wilton hereby amends the Deferred Compensation Plan for Employees of The Town of Wilton by adopting the amended Model Plan effective December 7, 2007.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman Gerber, duly put to a vote, all in favor.

NYS Office of Small Cities

a.) Award Bid (Professional Services)

Supervisor Johnson explained that this is for the grant regarding Marble Granite Works that was awarded to the Town to loan money to Marble Granite Works. Included in that is a fee for services.

On a motion introduced by Councilman McGaughey, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION # 85

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to award the bid to Camoin Associates of Malta, NY, for Consulting Services to Administer CDBG Funds in the amount of \$16,000.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman Gerber, duly put to a vote, all in favor.

Deputy Supervisor O’Conor, abstained from voting.

b.) Small Cities CDBG Commitment Letter

On a motion introduced by Councilman McGaughey, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION # 86

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to authorize the Supervisor to sign a Small Cities CDBG commitment letter drawn up by Town Attorney Richard DeVall.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman Gerber, duly put to a vote, all in favor.

Deputy Supervisor O’Conor, abstained from voting.

Informational Only

Annual Reports

Supervisor Johnson stated that 2007 annual reports had been received from the Town Clerk, Planning & Engineering Department, Zoning Board of Appeals and the Safety Officer these reports have been filed with the Town Clerk.

Before the board went into executive session, Highway Superintendent, Kirklin Woodcock, stated he is having problems getting salt for the roads and was letting the board know he may have to buy it from a different supplier at a higher rate.

Executive Session

Supervisor Johnson explained that the board had to go into executive session to address a personnel issue and would be awhile.

On a motion introduced by Deputy Supervisor O’Conor, and seconded by Councilman McGaughey, the board adjourned to executive session at 7:35 p.m., all in favor.

On a motion introduced by Deputy Supervisor O’Conor, and seconded by Councilman McGaughey, the board reconvened the Regular Town Board meeting at 8:04 p.m., all in favor.

Results of Executive Session

Park & Recreation Commission (Appointment)

On a motion introduced by Councilman Gerber, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION # 87

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to appoint Brendan Geraghty, to the position of member of the Park and Recreation commission term 2/12/08-7/31/08, to fill Bob Guglielmo’s term.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Deputy Supervisor O’Conor, duly put to a vote, all in favor.

Supervisor Johnson: If there is no other business, I will entertain a motion to adjourn.

On a motion introduced by Deputy Supervisor O’Conor, and seconded by Councilman Gerber, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m..

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol Maynard, Town Clerk

Supervisor, Arthur Johnson

Councilman, Raymond O’Conor

_____ Councilman, Charles Gerber

_____ Councilman, Larry Gordon

_____ Councilman, Ian McGaughey