

OCTOBER 11, 2011

MINUTES OF THE FISCAL AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF THURMAN HELD OCTOBER 11, 2011 AT THE TOWN HALL, 311 ATHOL ROAD, ATHOL NEW YORK, COMMENCING AT 6:30 P.M...

PRESENT: MRS. EVELYN WOOD, SUPERVISOR
MR. CHARLES BILLS, COUNCILMAN
MR. LEON GALUSHA, COUNCILMAN
MR. AL VASAK, COUNCILMAN
MRS. REBECCA HITCHCOCK, COUNCILWOMAN

Recording secretary: **Cynthia R. Hyde**, Town Clerk

FISCAL MEETING: The Town Board reviewed all claims.

BOARD MEETING: The regular town board meeting was called to order by **Evelyn Wood, Supervisor**.

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: On a motion by **Councilwoman Hitchcock**, seconded by **Councilman Bills**, the minutes were approved.

MOTION CARRIED: **5 AYES ~ WOOD, HITCHCOCK, GALUSHA, BILLS, VASAK**

CLAIMS: On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilman Vasak**, payment of vouchers # 20110658 thru 20110674, also 20110689 General fund for a grand total of \$6,317.65 and vouchers # 20110675 thru 20110688 Highway fund for a grand total of \$22,927.52.

MOTION CARRIED: **5 AYES ~ WOOD, HITCHCOCK, GALUSHA, BILLS, VASAK**

ACE CARTING COMPANY:

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In an effort to avoid a tax hike this budget year **Supervisor Wood** proposed an end to free municipal pickup. **Wood** is exploring trash disposal options. One possibility is for an outside service to offer trash removal along with household trash being accepted at the landfill. Town Council people want to keep free municipal trash removal. **Wood** cautioned that in order to continue free municipal pickup the town board needs to plan for upcoming expenditures such as a new garbage truck.

A representative from Ace Carting Company spoke to the town board regarding residential trash service. Residents would contract with Ace directly. Ace would provide each household with a bin for single stream recycling; a 96 gallon garbage container would be \$25.00 per month and a 65 gallon garbage container would be \$21.00 per month. Single stream recycling accepts many more items than the current recycling method (which we think ends up in the burn plant anyway rendering all of our recycling efforts useless).

A heated discussion erupted when one resident brought up the possible budget increase.

PUBLIC HEARING: The hearing for the RICHARD BAKER SUBDIVISION opened at 7:05pm and with no further discussion closed at 7:09 pm.

PUBLIC HEARING: The hearing for Local Law #2 2011, a dog control law, opened at 7:10 pm and with no further discussion closed at 7:12 pm.

MOELLER APPLICATION: The town clerk read a letter from the Moeller Family Trust requesting the completion of an application requiring the signature of the Thurman Town Supervisor. The Town Board looked over the paper work supplied by the trust and gave their approval.

REPORTS:

Food Pantry: **Councilman Vasak** said that more people were using the food pantry. Discussion ensued regarding the hours the food pantry should be available.

Youth: See attached

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Cemetery: Councilman Bills said that Ernie and Dick had finished up the cemeteries.

Supervisor's Report: Supervisor Wood said that...

The FEMA kickoff meeting went well and Thurman was assigned to the Lake Placid office.

She (**Wood**) had attended the rural broadband consortium.

The Deputy Secretary of State (NY) visited the town hall last week to discuss FEMA.

There will be a capital planning meeting tomorrow.

Congressman Gibson was still proceeding with Thurman's Memorial Day storm problems.

Sky High Bridge is coming along and should be in by the end of October.

A request had been made to hold AA meetings at the Thurman town hall. **Wood** and the Town Council saw no problem with this.

A letter arrived from the Warren County Bicentennial Committee asking for a contribution of \$1000.00 from each town out of Occupancy Tax money. **Bills**, **Galusha** and **Hitchcock** were against this. **Vasak** said no comment.

A Bicentennial Thurman Logo contest for youth might be a good idea.

NEW BUSINESS:

Wood suggested another budget workshop. This special budget workshop was set for October 17, 2011 at 6:00pm. Discussion ensued regarding assessments, garbage pickup, health insurance costs and their impact on the budget.

RESOLUTION #105:

Resolution to Authorize Request to Use Emergency Channel

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Thurman authorizes Dexter Baker to inquire about the possibility of using police radio for communication. On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilwoman Hitchcock** resolution # 105 was approved.

MOTION CARRIED: 5 AYES ~ WOOD, HITCHCOCK, GALUSHA, BILLS, VASAK

RESOLUTION #106:

Resolution to Adjust 2011 Budget

HIGHWAY FUND

Increase Expenses

DA5112.2	Improvements- Capital Outlay	\$ 50,000.00	
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Increase Revenue

DA5031	Interfund Transfer		\$ 50,000.00
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GENERAL FUND

Increase Expenses

A1110.4	Justice Contractual	\$ 300.00	
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A9901.9	Interfund transfer to other funds	\$ 50,000.00	
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Increase Revenue

A0870	Capital Reserves		\$ 50,000.00
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Decrease Expenses

A1111.1	Justices Personal Services	\$ 300.00	
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	\$ 50,300.00	\$ 50,300.00
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On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilwoman Hitchcock**, resolution # 106 was approved.

MOTION CARRIED: 5 AYES ~ WOOD, HITCHCOCK, GALUSHA, BILLS, VASAK

ACCOUNTING SOFTWARE: The **Supervisor, Bookkeeper** and **Town Clerk** have been looking at accounting software and are in favor of Enhanced municipal accounting software.

SNOW MOBILE ACCESS: **Supervisor Wood** said that the snowmobile club would like an answer regarding crossing River Road. It was decided that the snowmobile club needs to find an alternate route.

RESOLUTION #107:

Resolution to Award Bid

WHEREAS the highest bidder on the 1995 Ford Pickup has declined to purchase the truck,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby awards the bid to the second highest bidder according to the record of bids in the Town Clerk's Office.

On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilman Bills**, resolution # 107 was approved.

MOTION CARRIED: 5 AYES ~ **WOOD, HITCHCOCK, GALUSHA, BILLS, VASAK**

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR: **Arron Beadnell** had several questions pertaining to the budget and the bookkeeping position. **Pierre Cyr** asked if the ambulance had been returned (It had not been returned). There was discussion about solar or LCD street lights. **Jim Mosher** had thoughts about garbage pickup. **Joyce Eddy** asked about the exemptions page and why it was in the budget. **Supervisor Wood** said that the inclusion of the exemptions page has been a law for the last 3 years. **Mary Eddy** had questions about FEMA. **Paula Hubert** asked about the Moeller trust

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilman Vasak**, the meeting was adjourned at time 8:27 pm.

MOTION CARRIED: 5 AYES ~ **WOOD, HITCHCOCK, GALUSHA, BILLS, VASAK**

Respectfully Submitted:

Cynthia R. Hyde
Town clerk

Thurman Youth Commission Report for October 11, 2011

The Thurman Youth Commission had a meeting on Sept 23, 2011 at 7 pm at the Youth building. Four members attended. They discussed the up coming Garage Sale weekend and what they were going to do. They had a booth and did well even though it rained most of the time. They also discussed the Halloween Party that is October 29, from 1 to 3 at the Town Hall. There next meeting will be November 4 at 7 pm at the Town Hall to get started on the Christmas party. Public is always welcome to attend.

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TOWN OF THURMAN PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEARBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Thurman will hold a public hearing, pursuant to town law, on the application of Richard Baker for the approval of a five lot subdivision. Said subdivision is located at the corner of High Street and Mud Street.

Said hearing will take place at the town hall on October 11, 2011 7:00 p.m. prior to the October town board meeting. At that time, all interested parties will be given the opportunity to be heard.

By the order of the Thurman Town Board.

Cynthia Hyde, Town Clerk

Town of Thurman

September 21, 2011

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TOWN OF THURMAN NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSED LOCAL LAW #1 2011

NOTICE is hereby given that the Thurman Town Board will conduct a public hearing regarding proposed Local Law #1 2011, an animal control law, on Tuesday October 11, 2011 at 7:15 PM. Prior to the regular town board meeting at the Town Hall 311 Athol Road, Athol, New York.

At that time, all interested parties will be given the opportunity to be heard.

By the order of the Thurman Town Board
Cynthia Hyde, Town Clerk
Town of Thurman
September 15, 2011

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September 28, 2011

Cynthia R. Hyde, Town Clerk
Thurman Town Board
P.O. Box 29, 311 Athol Road
Athol, New York 12810

Re: The Moeller Family Trust
Premises: Bear Pond Road
Tax I.D. Nos.: 207-1-9, 14 and 17

Dear Ms. Hyde:

We are the attorneys for The Moeller Family Trust (the "Trust") with respect to this application. The Trust owns three (3) separate tax parcels which total approximately 600 ± acres. It is the Trust's intention to split tax lot 207-1-14 and merge each half with the adjoining tax parcels that the Trust owns. The net result of the tax parcels will be as follows:

<u>TAX PARCEL NO.</u>	<u>EXISTING ACREAGE</u> (as per tax map)	<u>PROPOSED ACREAGE</u> (as per survey)
207-1-9	166.57±	358±
207-1-17	195±	242±
207-1-14	210±	0

Enclosed herewith are the following maps with respect to this project:

1. Tax Map which highlights the 3 parcels and the proposed division line (5 copies)
2. Proposed Subdivision Map (5 copies)
3. Engineering Plans for new septic system on Lot 1 (5 copies)
4. Local Government Notice Form (from APA)

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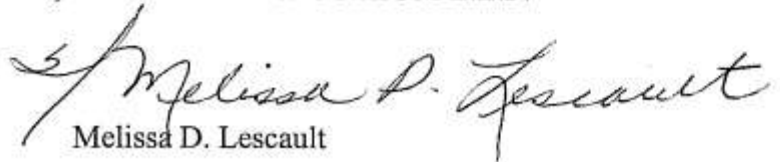
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Simultaneously with the Town's review, an application for a permit with the Adirondack Park Agency is being reviewed. Please complete the enclosed APA Local Government Notice Form and return same to my attention in the pre-paid, self-addressed envelope provided herein.

If approval is necessary for this project by your Town Board, please place this matter on the agenda at your earliest available date. Please do not hesitate to call me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

McPHILLIPS, FITZGERALD & CULLUM L.L.P.


Melissa D. Lescault

MDL:jms
Enc.

May 4, 2011

Thurman Town Board
Thurman, N.Y.

Dear Sirs,

I am writing to inform you of my plans to sub-divide property I own in Thurman.

The property is located at the corner of Mud St. and High St. and is currently identified as Tax Map Parcel 209-1-45.

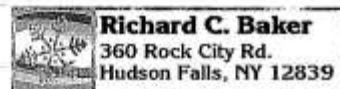
I have enclosed a sketch map of the proposed sub-division showing approximate lot size and configurations.

I have applied to and received approval from the APA

If you have any questions please contact me at 747-5205.

This plan was already approved by APA.

Very Truly Yours,
Richard Baker



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