

**TOWN OF SARANAC
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 22, 2008 AT THE TOWN HALL**

Members Present:

*Joe Gerardi (Supervisor)
Philip Rice (Councilman)
Robert Blair (Councilman)
Michael Tedford (Councilman)
Gerald Delaney (Councilman)
Mary Bell (Town Clerk)
Leo Vann (Highway Superintendent)
Steve Petrashune (Assessor)
Mark Plumadore (Dog Control Officer)
Mark White (Tax Collector)*

Also attending meeting: Larietta Hamel, Michele Petrashune, Sylvia Newman, and Warren Newman.

Joe Gerardi (Supervisor) opened meeting at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Warren Newman led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consideration of the Minutes to the August 25, 2008 meeting. Also minutes to September 15, 2008 meeting which was a Budget Workshop meeting.

Resolution 50-2008

Motion to except minutes by: Phil Rice(C) second by: Jerry Delaney(C)

PHIL-YES

BOB-YES

MIKE-YES

JERRY-YES

JOE-YES

Open Water Districts Plowing Bids:

There were no bids turned in for the snow removal for the Water Districts.

Questions, Comments, Petitions from the floor:

Phil Rice (Councilman) Thanked Leo Vann (Highway Superintendent) for making and driving the float in the parade (Battle of Plattsburgh). Each year Lee Vann has taken his Saturday to help with the success with the Saranac Float.

Correspondence:

JCEO:

Received a letter of thanks to the Saranac Town Board from JCEO Executive Director(Gordon Hazel).They appreciate the Towns continued support of the JCEO Program.

New Land Trust Newsletter:

The Town received the New Land Trust Newsletter this week. Anyone looking to be a New Land Trust Member can come to the town hall and pick up a form to fill out or email address is newlandtrust@gmail.com membership cost are as follows: individual/Family member \$140.00 Student member \$ 75.00. Interested in day use or bringing a group to the Land Trust? Call Steve Jenks, Chairman at 293-8420.

Tobacco Free Network:

The Adirondack Tobacco Free Network is a community partnership committed to reducing adolescent and adult use of tobacco through cooperative programs in prevention, cessation, policy initiatives and community education. They have a newsletter they send out to keep the community informed about initiatives the ATFN is working on.

Hill and Hollow:

Hill and Hollow Music relies on the generosity of individuals to support its extensive programming, including many educational and outreach programs.

Anyone wanting to contribute may call (518)293-7613 or go to the website www.hillandhollowmusic.org for more information.

Senior Enrichment Day:

The 12th Annual Senior Enrichment Day will take place on Monday October 13, 2008 at the Stafford Middle School on Broad Street in Plattsburgh. Registration fee is \$25.00 this fee includes coffee hour and a buffet-style lunch with desert and beverage.

Supervisor's report:

Resolution 51-2008

Approval of financial report:

Motion by: Bob Blair(C) second Mike Tedford (C)

PHIL-YES

BOB-YES

MIKE-YES

JERRY-YES

JOE-YES

SAVING ACCOUNT BALANCES

	<u>As of 08-31-08</u>	<u>As of 09-17-08</u>
<u>General</u>	<u>\$ 170,572.19</u>	<u>\$ 172,112.86</u>
<u>Saranac Ltg.</u>	<u>29,903.43</u>	<u>29,903.43</u>
<u>Standish Ltg.</u>	<u>4,065.70</u>	<u>4,065.70</u>
<u>General/Reserve</u>	<u>198,876.95</u>	<u>198,876.95</u>
<u>Building Fund</u>	<u>103,184.76</u>	<u>103,184.76</u>
<u>Highway</u>	<u>516,512.38</u>	<u>503,353.24</u>
<u>Roads/Bridges</u>	<u>134,382.61</u>	<u>134,382.61</u>

The men are working on some turn around stops making them a little wider for the plows to be able to turn around safely.

All prices are gone up.

Salt has been increased from last year. The Highway Superintendent was able to get some Salt from last year's prices.

Reports:

Redford Water Districts:

Nothing at this time.

Standish Water District:

Nothing at this time.

Saranac Water District:

Just waiting for plans for the filtration system, from the engineer.

Code Officer's Report:

Jeff Reisdorf report:

August

<i>Issue date</i>	<i>owner</i>	<i>type</i>	<i>Property</i>	<i>fee</i>
08/25/08	Simon Perry	Addition	2951 Rt #3	112.00
08/25/08	Mary Dubray	Rehab	180 Church Street	25.00
08/28/08	Gary Hamel	commercial	True Brook Rd.	50.00

September

09/04/08	Janet Rivers	Handicap ramp	2788 Rt 33	25.00
09/04/08	Mary Beth Taylor	Stick Build Home	724 Standish Rd.	60.00
09/04/08	Ronald & Naomi	Module Home	986 Hardscrabble Rd.	85.00
09/0808	Jeffrey Brown	Shed	243 Chazy Lake Rd.	27.50

09/08/08	Mark Carter	Car Port	18 Carter Court	39.00
09/08/08	Ronald Rock	Mobile Home	Burnt Hill Rd.	50.00
09/08/08	James Lombard	Car Port	115 East Rd.	32.50
09/11/08	Jesse Reed	Rehab	4324 Rt # 3	25.00
09/11/08	Joyce Ray	Mobile Home	1093 Standish Rd.	90.00
09/22/08	David Dresser	Double wideHome	61 Ganong Drive	110.00

Dog Control Officer's report:

Mark Plumadore reports:

Report is attached to these minutes.

Community Outreach Center:

Cindy Waldron reports:

(August 25, 2008 – September 19, 2008)

111 Visits to Center for all services including clothes, toys, and household goods.

10 trips coordinated to medical appointments.

6 Households received Emergency Food.

11 Monthly Food Co-op purchased.

30 Volunteer hours given to the Center.

16 information & referral.

Cindy went to Albany for HEAP training. She has the guidelines and changes for this year. She will be getting updates at the end of October. HEAP will open on November 1, 2008. Seniors are getting applications mailed to them.

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Recreations:

Bob Blair reports:
Nothing at this time.

Assessor:

Steve Petrashune reports:
New York State Department of Taxation and Finance will begin to mail rebate checks out to homeowners who qualify for 2008 middle class STAR Rebate Program.

Planning Board:

Jerry Delaney reports:
Nothing at this time.

Senior Citizens:

The parade went well.

Saranac Fire Department:

Mike Tedford reports:
The Fire Department is working on their budget. They had training this past weekend.

Building:

Bob Blair reports:
Nothing at this time.

Newsletter, Website, Saranac Central School:

Joe Gerardi reports:
Town Crier was sent out last week. The website is updated monthly.

Historian:

Jan Couture reports:
Nothing at this time.

Attorney:

Frank Zappala
Nothing at this time

Unfinished Business:

Industrial Park:

Everything is in holding pattern.

ROMP:

The Group meets on Tuesdays downstairs at the hall. Last week's play group there were about 15 people that attended.

The Town Board received a letter of request from one the residents on the Dougals Road. Request for speed limit reduction:

Resolution 52-2008

Motion by: Gerald Delaney(C) second by: Robert Blair (C)

PHIL RICE-YES

BOB BLAIR-YES

MIKE TEDFORD-YES

JERRY DELANEY-YES

JOE GERARDI-YES

WHEREAS, according to a letter from Mrs. Jo Eggleston, cars and trucks have been speeding up and down the dead-end Douglas Road, and

WHEREAS, many drivers speed up the Douglas Road, and when they realize they have mistaken it for the Nashville Road, they turn around and speed back down the road, and

WHEREAS, these speeders ignore the joggers, walkers, bikers, dog walkers, and children playing on the dead-end road, and

WHEREAS, some dirt biking and hunting enthusiasts who drive up the road to gain access to the railroad bed drive at unreasonable and unsafe speeds putting everyone at risk, and

WHEREAS, Ms. Eggleston has asked for the town board's consideration in advocating for a reduced speed limit on the Douglas Road, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby requests the New York State Department of Transportation to provide the necessary evaluations in order to lower the speed on the Douglas Road to 30 miles per hour ; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is hereby authorized to complete and submit the required TE-9 application to the Clinton County Highway Department.

Questions, Comments. Petitions from the floor:

Bob Blair comments, that the Town Board take bids, for Insurance to see if the town can get a better quote. All Town Board members are in favor of that.

Authorization to Pay Audited Warrants:

Resolution - 53-2008

Approval to pay Warrants:

Motion by: Phil Rice (C) second by: Mike Tedford (C)

PHIL-YES

BOB-YES

MIKE-YES

JERRY-YES

JOE-YES

Adjournment was at 7:34 p.m. The next regular board meeting will be October 27, 2008, at 7 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Bell
Town Clerk

September 22, 2008