

April 28, 2015

Minutes of the Bi-Monthly Town Board Meeting held Tuesday, April 28, 2015, at 5:30 PM, at the Keene Town Hall. The following Town Board Members were present: William B. Ferebee, Supervisor, Paul R. Martin, Robert M. Biesemeyer, Michael J. Buysse and Jerry D. Smith, Members of Council. Also present were: Gary Manley, Highway Superintendent and Ellen Estes, Town Clerk.

The Chairman, Mr. Ferebee, called the meeting to order at 5:34 PM.

Mr. Ferebee gave an update on the bridge construction in Keene saying that the new girders had been set today on the first lane. He said they will pour concrete there next week. He said things are moving well and they still plan to be finished with that bridge by the end of June.

He said he didn't have much information on the Little Johns Brook Bridge, saying he was there yesterday and they had about ½ of the first lane removed.

Mr. Ferebee said he had been to a meeting regarding the section of the Hulls Falls Road which has been reduced to a single lane. He said that FEMA and a Federal Geologist were present and agreed that sheet piling is not an option. There was a brief discussion regarding a petition being circulated by an adjoining landowner to prevent it from being opened back up to two lane traffic.

Mr. Ferebee informed the Board that \$391,000 has been reimbursed by NRCS on the "old" Gulf Brook stabilization project. He said when the \$29,000 from the Department of State for our match is received, the \$400,000 B.A.N. will be paid off.

The next topic discussed was the truck bids that were opened on Wednesday, April 15th. These bids were as follows;

1 New 2015 or 2016, ¾ Ton, 4 Wheel Drive, Ext. Cab Truck w/ 6 Foot Box:
Central Garage bid \$40,697.50 less \$2,000 Rebate on a 2015
Adirondack Chevrolet bid \$35,230.00 on a 2015
Egglefield Bros. bid \$30,580.00 on a 2016
Goss Dodge bid \$29,647.00 on a 2015
West Herr Chevrolet bid \$30,891.00 on a 2015
and

1 New 2015 or 2016, 1 Ton, Heavy Duty, 4 Wheel Drive, Single Cab Truck:
Adirondack Chevrolet bid \$31,090.00 on a 2015
Egglefield Bros. bid \$28,450.00 on a 2016
Goss Dodge bid \$28,770.00 on a 2015
West Herr Chevrolet bid \$29,535.00 on a 2015

Mr. Ferebee stated that Egglefield Bros. was the only dealer who bid on 2016 trucks. Mrs. Estes informed the Board that Goss Dodge has pulled their bid saying they have no trucks left on the lot that fit the bid and by today's date it was too short of notice to order one to be delivered by June 30th.

Resolution No. 109 – 15

Mr. Buysse offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board accept the truck bids as opened and described above. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Martin.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ferebee: Yes
Mr. Martin: Yes
Mr. Biesemeyer: Yes
Mr. Buysse: Yes
Mr. Smith: Yes

Resolution No. 110 – 15

Mr. Biesemeyer offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board award the truck bids to Egglefield Bros., the low bidder on both trucks and the only bidder of 2016 models. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Buysse.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ferebee: Yes
Mr. Martin: Yes
Mr. Biesemeyer: Yes
Mr. Buysse: Yes
Mr. Smith: Yes

Resolution No. 111 – 15

Mr. Buysse offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that upon their request, the Keene Valley Neighborhood House be given authorization to use Marcy Field on Sunday, July 19th, for their annual Golf Ball Drop. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Martin.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ferebee: Yes
Mr. Martin: Yes
Mr. Biesemeyer: Yes
Mr. Buysse: Yes
Mr. Smith: Yes

The Board was given a preliminary anticipated water rents list for each District and asked to look it over for necessary changes to be ready to make changes and adopt the final list at the next Town Board Meeting.

Mr. Buysse asked what was happening with signs for the hamlets.

A discussion followed, everyone had different ideas what had been planned and where it was left off.

Mr. Ferebee informed the Board that of the existing hamlet signs, 2 of the sign holders were rotted out. He said he had one that had not been used yet.

Mr. Biesemeyer said it would be nice to do it right and keep it simple.

Mr. Ferebee said he suggests using the Holt House design with “Welcome to Keene Valley” and “Welcome to Keene”.

Mr. Smith suggested having that design drawn up for the quoted \$300.

Mr. Martin suggested getting ideas first.

Mr. Smith asked if “they” were going to be allowed to leave the logging mess on Beede Road.

Mr. Ferebee stated that it is private property.

A brief discussion followed.

The next discussion was about the transfer station.

Mr. Martin asked what was going to be done about the wall behind the metal bin.

Mr. Ferebee said he was waiting for estimates on pouring a wall. He said he priced out ready rock and it came in at a little more than \$13,000 for materials.

The shape and length of the wall was discussed.

Mr. Biesemeyer asked when electric would be put in saying the pumps on the generator run slow.

Mr. Ferebee said the compactors would not be faster even running on electricity.

Mr. Biesemeyer asked if an extra person would be put on during the summer.

Mr. Ferebee said no, he said the money is still in the budget if it is found to be necessary.

Resolution No. 112 – 15

Mr. Ferebee offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Buysse.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ferebee: Yes
Mr. Martin: Yes
Mr. Biesemeyer: Yes
Mr. Buysse: Yes
Mr. Smith: Yes

The Town Board entered Executive Session at 6:04 PM.

Resolution No. 113 – 15

Mr. Ferebee offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board reconvene into regular session. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Martin.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ferebee: Yes
Mr. Martin: Yes
Mr. Biesemeyer: Yes
Mr. Buysse: Yes
Mr. Smith: Yes

The Town Board reconvened into regular session at 6:21 PM.

Resolution No. 114 – 15

Mr. Biesemeyer offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board approve the following bills for payment. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Buysse.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ferebee: Yes
Mr. Martin: Yes
Mr. Biesemeyer: Yes
Mr. Buysse: Yes
Mr. Smith: Yes

Multi-Fund Vouchers No. 243 to 271, totaling \$40,265.30, as follows:

General Fund bills	- \$19,974.49
Highway Fund bills	- 14,080.71
Library Fund bills	- 1,053.62
Water District No. 1 bills	- 1,420.96
Water District No. 2 bills	- 3,735.52

Resolution No. 115 – 15

Mr. Biesemeyer offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that with all business having been transacted, this meeting be adjourned. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Martin.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ferebee: Yes
Mr. Martin: Yes
Mr. Biesemeyer: Yes
Mr. Buysse: Yes
Mr. Smith: Yes

This meeting was adjourned at 6:22 PM.

Ellen S. Estes, Town Clerk
May 1, 2015

William B. Ferebee, Supervisor
Paul R. Martin, Councilman
Robert M. Biesemeyer, Councilman
Michael J. Buysse, Councilman
Jerry D. Smith, Councilman

