TOWN OF WATERTOWN

REGULAR MEETING

MUNICIPAL BUILDING

NOVEMBER 4, 2010

TOWN BOARD MEMBERS

JOEL R. BARTLETT, SUPERVISOR – STEPHEN L. RICH, COUNCILMAN – PAUL V. DESORMO, COUNCILMAN

DAVID D. PROSSER, COUNCILMAN – EDWARD R. SMITH, COUNCILMAN

Supervisor Bartlett brought the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and called for a roll call of members present. All members were present with the exception of Councilman Desormo. Legal Counsel Joseph W. Russell was present.

MOTION # 116

Supervisor Bartlett moved to adopt the minutes of the October 4, 2010 Regular Meeting as presented. Councilman Prosser seconded.

Ayes All

MOTION # 117

Supervisor Bartlett moved to adopt the minutes of the October 21, 2010 Special Meeting as presented. Councilman Prosser seconded.

Ayes All

Supervisor Bartlett opened the public hearing on the proposed preliminary 2011 Fiscal Year Budget. The proposed budget includes the detail of revenues and expenditures which include the Town of Watertown General Fund, Highway Fund, Water Districts # 1,3,4,5 and 6, as well as sewer districts 1,2,3,4,5 and 6. Supervisor Bartlett asked if anyone wished to speak on the proposed budget.

No one chose to speak on the proposed budget and Supervisor Bartlett closed the public hearing at 7:05 PM.

Supervisor Bartlett opened the floor on any subject.

Earl Halback spoke and expressed an interest in any openings in the Town's Code Enforcement Office.

Mr. Gary Hreczan, 20847 Hadcock Rd., asked questions concerning the water source for the proposed Northeaster Water District.

Nick Kougut expressed concern about the lack of road stripping on Spring Valley Road. He stated that the traffic tends to pass in that area where their used to be solid lines. Supervisor Bartlett spoke to Mr. Maguire, the Public Works Superintendent, and asked if the stripping could be completed in the near future. Mr. Maguire confirmed that it could.

No one else chose to address the board and Supervisor Bartlett closed the floor.

Supervisor Bartlett acknowledged receipt of the Town Clerk's Report and the Town of Watertown Ambulance Report for the Month of October 2010.

Supervisor Bartlett asked Mr. Michael Lundy to bring the Board up to date on the development of Washington Summit Road.

Mr. Lundy stated that Washington Summit Associates LLC has installed a 50 ft. wide road sub-base along the proposed Summit Drive, to Town Highway specifications. He proposes to pave and complete approximately 1,400 lineal feet of road to service the first phase of its development and terminate the road at a hammerhead turnaround. Upon completion of the road to town specifications, Summit Woods would convey the completed road to the Town of Watertown.

MOTION # 118

WHEREAS, Washington Summit Associates, LLC, is in the process of constructing a road to service its proposed subdivision located adjacent to and on the east side of US Route 11 (Washington Street) and proposes to dedicate said road to the Town of Watertown as a public highway, and

WHEREAS, Washington Summit Associates, LLC has installed a 50-foot wide road sub-base along the proposed Summit Drive to Town Highway specifications and has topped the same with crushed stone and proposes to pave and complete approximately 1,400 lineal feet of road to service the first phase of its development and to terminate the road at a hammerhead at a turnaround constructed to Town Highway specifications, and

WHEREAS, Washington Summit Associates, LLC proposes to complete the subject portion of Summit Drive as described above to Town of Watertown specifications and thereafter to convey the same together with sufficient additional property to establish a 66 foot road width to the Town of Watertown as a Town Highway, and further proposes to grant to the Town of Watertown an access easement from Spring Valley Road to the dedicated Town Highway, not as a public highway, but for Town access for maintenance and repair.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Watertown as follows:

1. The foregoing recitations are incorporated herein and made a part hereof as if fully set forth hereafter.
2. The Town Board of the Town of Watertown shall accept the proposed offer of dedication of approximately 1,400 lineal feet of roadway 66-feet in width from US Route 11 to its terminus at a proposed hammerhead turnaround and shall accept the same for dedication for public street and highway purposes which shall thereafter be a town road of the Town of Watertown.
3. The acceptance of this offer of dedication is contingent upon Washington Summit Associates, LLC completing the pavement of the proposed road and all other necessary work such that the road shall meet and satisfy Town of Watertown town highway specifications to the satisfaction of the Town Highway Superintendent, and further contingent upon approval by the attorney for the Town of Watertown that all legal requirements have been satisfied and the following documents have been received and approved and until such time the subject property shall remain the property of Washington Summit Associates, LLC and shall not be a public road.
    a. Original executed deed in recordable form to convey the subject property to the Town of Watertown together with the required forms TP-584 and RP-5217 signed by the appropriate officer of Washington Summit Associates, LLC.
    b. Original executed releases from all liens thereon.
    c. Original executed access easement from Spring Valley Drive to the proposed road in a form acceptable to the Town Attorney and available for recording in the office of the Jefferson County Clerk to provide the Town Highway Department with access to the proposed public road from Spring Valley Drive.

Supervisor Bartlett moved the foregoing resolution and Councilman Rich seconded. Upon a roll call vote of the town board as follows, the resolution was duly passed.

Supervisor Bartlett Aye

Councilman Rich	Aye
Councilman Desormo	Absent
Councilman Prosser	Aye
Councilman Smith	Aye

Supervisor Bartlett opened the final work session for the town board members to make any changes or suggestions concerning the proposed Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2011. Supervisor Bartlett informed the board of a revision in the sales tax revenues. Based on an increase in the estimated sales tax revenues of $93,378.00 he recommended that this amount be applied toward the county property taxes for residents in the town. There were no further comments or suggestions and the Supervisor closed the hearing.

MOTION # 119

Supervisor Bartlett moved to make payment to Amstar of Western New York, Inc. in the amount of $250,800.00 for the work completed on the water tower including painting. Councilman Prosser seconded.

Comments: Councilman Smith stated that it appears that the backside of the tower looks as if it has only one coat of paint and asked the highway superintendent to take a look at it. Supervisor Bartlett stated that the contract calls for an amount of $13,200.00 be retained until such time as the engineers inspect and approve the work completed. The town also holds a performance bond to insure the work is completed satisfactorily.

Ayes all with the exception of Councilman Smith who voted as being opposed.

MOTION # 120

Supervisor Bartlett moved to make payment to North Country Contractors, LLC in the amount of $80,750.00 for work completed on the Town of Watertown Sewer District No. 2, Flow Diversion Improvements. Councilman Rich seconded.

Ayes All

MOTION # 121

WHEREAS, the term of office of John Deal, member of the Town of Watertown Board of Assessment Review has expired, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Deal has expressed his interest in being appointed to another term as a member of the Assessment Review Board.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, John Deal is hereby appointed to a new term of office on the Town of Watertown Assessment Review Board, the term which expires on September 30, 2015.

Supervisor Bartlett moved the foregoing resolution and Councilman Smith seconded.

Ayes All

MOTION # 122

WHEREAS, an MEO position vacancy exists in the Town of Watertown Public Works Department due to retirement and the Superintendent has reviewed applications from the public to fill said vacancy, and

WHEREAS, notice to the public was given through advertisement in the Towns official newspaper requesting application from persons interested in a position in the Town Public Works Department, and

WHEREAS, the superintendent has certified to this board that Kevin Burtch, a town resident meets the standards and criteria for hire as a Town Employee.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Kevin Burtch a town resident is hereby hired as a Town Public Works Employee, conditioned upon successfully completing the necessary physical and drug testing requirements, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appointment of Mr. Kevin Burtch is of the full time provisional status, at the pay grade of MEO 3 with the hourly pay rate of $15.56 per hour.

Supervisor Bartlett moved the foregoing resolution and Councilman Smith seconded.

Ayes All

MOTION # 123

WHEREAS, at a meeting of the Town Council held on Thursday October 4, 2010 the tentative budget for the fiscal year 2011 was presented to the Town Council as required by Section 106 of the General Municipal Law, and

WHEREAS, the Town Council thereafter reviewed the tentative budget, and upon completion of such review, the Tentative Budget with any and all revisions and modifications thereof became the Preliminary Budget for the Fiscal Year 2011, which was filed in the Office of the Town Clerk and made available for public inspection, and

WHEREAS, a notice of a public hearing on the Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2011 was posted and published as required by law. On Thursday November 4th. 2010 at 7:00PM at the Town Municipal Offices, a public hearing was conducted on the Preliminary Budget for the Town of Watertown, which includes the preliminary budget estimates for the Town General Fund, Highway Fund, Water Districts 1,3,4,5 and 6 and Sewer Districts 1,2,3,4,5 and 6. All persons interested therein were provided and opportunity to be heard.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town of Watertown Council as follows:

1. This Board has met at the time and place as specified in the notice of the public hearing on the Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2011 and heard all persons desiring to be heard thereon.
2. The Preliminary Budget as amended and revised is hereby adopted for the Fiscal Year 2011 and that the several amounts stated are hereby appropriated for the objects and purposes specified and the salaries and wages stated therein shall be and are hereby fixed at the amounts shown therein, effective January 1, 2011.

A motion to adopt the foregoing resolution was offered by Supervisor Bartlett and seconded by Councilman Rich. Upon a roll call vote of the Town Board as follows the resolution was duly adopted.

Supervisor Bartlett	Aye
Councilman Rich	Aye
Councilman Desormo	Absent
Councilman Prosser	Aye
Councilman Smith	Aye

MOTION # 124

Supervisor Bartlett introduced Local Law No. 4 of the Year 2010, A LOCAL LAW TO REGULATE THE LICENSING, IDENTIFICATION, and CONTROL OF DOGS WITHIN THE TOWN OF WATERTOWN. He moved to call for a public hearing on proposed Local Law No. 4 of the Year 2010 to be held at 7:00PM on

November 18, 2010. The public hearing to be held at the Town Municipal Building, 22867 Co. Rte 67, Watertown, NY 13601.

Supervisor Bartlett moved the foregoing resolution and Councilman Rich seconded.

Ayes All

MOTION # 125

Supervisor Bartlett moved to pay the following abstracts as audited.

General Vouchers	#	278	to	279	Total	$	729.86
Spec. Dist. Vouchers.	#	99	to	99	Total	$	107.07
General Vouchers	#	280	to	309	Total	$	22,431.43
Highway Vouchers	#	220	to	240	Total	$	171,650.19
Spec. Dist. Vouchers.	#	100	to	105	Total	$	32,785.65

Councilman Prosser seconded the motion.

Councilman Smith objected to paying voucher # 294

Ayes All

Councilman Prosser updated the board on the progress of rerouting sewer district #2 to Coffeen St.

Supervisor Bartlett gave the board an update concerning the sewer contract with the city..

MOTION # 126

Supervisor Bartlett moved to call for a special meeting at 7:00 on November 18, 2010 at the Town Municipal Building. Councilman Prosser seconded.

Ayes Al

MOTION # 127

Councilman Prosser moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 PM. Supervisor Bartlett seconded.

Ayes All

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Catherine M. Rich, Town Clerk