Newstead Town Board Meeting- November 14, 2005

A Regular Meeting was called to order by the Newstead Town Board on Monday, November 14, 2005 at the Newstead Town Hall at 8:00PM.

Present: Gerald Summe- Supervisor

Tom George- Councilman Harold Finger- Councilman Mark Decker- Councilman

Dale Kruschke- Highway Superintendent

Rebecca Baker-Assessor

Andrew Casolini- Town Engineer Nathan Neill- Town Attorney Dawn D. Izydorczak- Town Clerk Kathleen Lang- Deputy Town Clerk

Roll Call was taken with all board members present except Councilman Chaffee who has arrived home from the hospital today.

Dale Kruschke led the pledge to the flag.

Minutes from the previous regular board meeting held on October 24, 2005 were presented for approval. A motion was made by Councilman Finger, seconded by Councilman Decker to accept as presented.

Carried

Communications – The Town Clerk presented the following:

A copy of a letter from Director of Senior Services Theo Abraham to the Newstead Fire Co. thanking them for their quick response to a medical emergency call at the Senior Center.

A fax transmission from Amherst Central Alarm office with the Call Report for October 2005 reporting 36 calls for Akron Fire Co. and 20 calls for Newstead Fire Co.

A Public Notice was received from the Erie County Department of Environment & Planning regarding the annual 30-day inclusion period for land-owners to request to have agricultural land included into the certified agricultural districts. The inclusion period runs from November 1, 2005 thru November 30, 2005. Applications are available at the Town Hall.

The Quarterly Report from BFI was received with 1,729+/- residential units collected with 536.67+/- tons of solid waste collected and 86.18 tons of co-mingled recyclables collected.

New brochures were received from the NYS Office of Consumer Services regarding effective ways to "Have an Energy Smart Winter" and conserve energy costs. They are available in the information center in the hallway.

A motion was made by Councilman George, seconded by Councilman Finger to receive and file correspondence as presented.

Carried

Work Session: Supervisor Summe reported that at the work session held November 7th the following issues were discussed: meeting with Akron Soccer League Board, grant proposal fro Assessor's office, WD#10 issues-Phase 1A & 1B, Phase 2, drainage update, shared facilities project, Time Warner proposal and Connector Trail grant.

Privilege of the Floor – No one spoke

A motion was made by Councilman Decker, seconded by Councilman Finger approving the requested budget transfers per the memo dated 10/28/05 from Bookkeeper Kathleen Strobele.

Carried

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Approval of Bills -Councilman Decker reported that the Abstract from Batch #446 from the October 24, 2005 meeting has been reviewed with the previously UN-audited vouchers and everything was found in order. He presented Abstract Batch #452. Vouchers on this abstract numbered #1226-1322, totaling \$345,665.53 and were presented for payment approval by Councilman Decker, seconded by Councilman George to approve payment.

Abstract Batch 452:

General Fund (A) -\$19,472.50, Fund (B) \$79.77, Highway (DA) -\$0, Highway: Outside Village (DB) \$5,806.21, Capital Projects: CAP-WD#10 (HI)- \$288,964.82, CAP-Town Hall (HK)-\$3,244.69, Highway Garage (HG)- \$0, Fire Protection (SF) \$2,540.64, Refuse (SR) \$21,574.74, Sewer Fund (SS) \$0, Sewer District #2 (SS02)- \$151.20, and Water Districts (SW1) \$10.00, (SW2) \$88.44, (SW3) \$10.00, (SW4) \$112.56, (SW5) \$2,420.04, (SW6) \$305.52, (SW7) \$426.12, (SW7A) \$48.24, (SW8) \$32.16, (SW9) \$88.44, (SW10) \$289.44, Trust & Agency(TA)- \$0 Totaling \$345,665.53.

Carried

COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Highway –Superintendent Kruschke announced the promotion of Gary Baehr from summer seasonal employment to MEO Step 1 with a 6 month probationary period. Chips Forms have been submitted for reimbursement of \$43,889.29

Assessor – Rebecca Baker stated she had nothing to report at this time

Building Office –the following building report was presented by the Building Administrator Christine Falkowski:

Richard Stachura	12320 Rapids	One Family Home
Golden Pond Estates	Lot #234, 236, 238, 240	Manufactured Homes
Golden Pond Estates	Lot #242,244,246,248	Manufactured Homes
Golden Pond Estates	Lot #250,252,254,256	Manufactured Homes
Golden Pond Estates	Lot #258,260,261,262	Manufactured Homes
Golden Pond Estates	Lot #263,264,265,266	Manufactured Homes
Golden Pond Estates	Lot #267,268,269,270	Manufactured Homes
Gary Roth	6505 Draper	Barn addition
Graziano	5428 S. Newstead	Garage
Leonard Schie	4902 N. Millgrove	Garage
Gary Bachowski	7920 Fletcher	Coal stove
James Young	12341 McNeeley	Garage
Phillip Kenline	8238 Greenbush	Windows
Richard Stachura	12320 Rapids	Garage
Ken Koehler	5771 Barnum	Barn replacement
Kevin Clapp	13586 Carney	Garage
Julie Mathews	12332 Meahl	Garage
Brian Wight	7592 Scotland	Ag storage
James Marfurt	4870 N. Millgrove	Barn addition

A motion was made by Councilman Finger, seconded by Councilman Decker to accept and approve the Building Report and Zoning Report as presented.

Carried

Town Clerk- Voting machines have been certified by the Board of Elections and absentee and affidavit ballots will not be counted until sometime after November 21st. Last day of school tax collection for Niagara & Genesee County is November 15th and Erie County parcels are November 30th.

COUNCILPERSONS

Chaffee- Not present

George- Nothing at this time

Finger-Close up of buildings for the winter is nearly complete.

Decker-Nothing at this time

SUPERVISOR- Supervisor Summe asked the Town Clerk to run the annual appointments notice in the local paper. Annual letters for re-appointments will be mailed out by his office for next year. It will be up to the new Supervisor to address those re-appointments January 1, 2006.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Water District #10- Phase 1A –Services and restorations finishing up in northern section of town.

Phase 1B -N. Millgrove to Nice Rd loop being worked on.

Phase 2- Surveyors and archaeological workers are out doing shovel tests. Cedar Street will be worked on just before or right after Sergi's winter break. He will firm up a schedule with them.

Water Tank-Bowl construction starting soon.

Route 5 Zoning- Meeting tentatively scheduled for November 28th.

Shared Public Works Facility Committee-There were 12 firms that responded, were rated and scored. A presentation was done by the two final firms. Final cost proposal to be presented soon to finalize choice.

Other: None

NEW BUSINESS:

2006 Budget:

A motion was made by Councilman Decker, seconded by Councilman George approving the 2006 Budget dated 11/14/05 as presented.

(Resolution Attached) Ayes-4 Nays-0 Absent-1 Carried

GIS Cooperative Grant Approval:

A motion was made by Councilman Finger, seconded by Councilman Decker supporting and approving the application for a GIS Grant requesting funding for a joint project between the Town of Newstead and Village of Akron.

(Resolution Attached) Ayes-4 Nays-0 Absent-1 Carried

CDBG Consortium Proposal:

A motion was made by Councilman Decker, seconded by Councilman Finger regarding the CDBG proposal, opposing any change in the existing administrative structure of the Erie County Community Block Grant program and requesting that all other County municipalities support this resolution and forward it to the Erie County Legislature.

(Resolution Attached) Ayes-4 Nays-0 Absent-1 Carried

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Amendment to Water Contract with Town of Alabama:

A motion was made by Councilman George, seconded by Councilman Decker approving the amendment to the Water Supply Agreement Contracts with the Town of Alabama, postponing the first date of payment to the thirteenth of the month following service from Erie County Water Authority and authorizing the Supervisor to sign the amendment contract.

(Resolution Attached) Ayes-4 Nays-0 Absent-1 Carried

Time Warner Cable Hook-up Approval:

A motion was made by Councilman Decker, seconded by Councilman George to approve Time Warner Cable hook-up thru Pembroke to Indian Falls Road with franchise fees to be paid to Town of Newstead.

Ayes-4 Nays-0 Absent-1 Carried

Supervisor Summe stated that the town's Bookkeeper Kathy Strobele, a very hardworking, dedicated employee, was due for the available \$.65 incentive raise.

Bookkeeper Incentive Raise:

A motion was made by Councilman Decker, seconded by Councilman George approving a \$.65 incentive raise for Bookkeeper Kathleen Strobele.

Ayes-4 Nays-0 Absent-1 Carried

Supervisor Summe thanked the Board and stated that Kathy is an outstanding employee and very deserving of the raise.

Question Period- No one spoke

There being no further business to come before the board a motion was made by Councilman Finger, seconded by Councilman Decker to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 PM.

Carried

Respectfully Submitted, Dawn D. Izydorczak, Town Clerk