

**REGULAR** MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD  
TOWN OF GLENVILLE  
DECEMBER 7, 2011  
AT THE GLENVILLE MUNICIPAL CENTER  
18 GLENRIDGE ROAD, GLENVILLE, NEW YORK

Supervisor Koetzle called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM;

Supervisor Koetzle asked the Town Clerk, Linda C. Neals, to call the roll.

**Present:** Supervisor Christopher A. Koetzle, Councilmen Alan Boulant, Sid Ramotar and Councilwoman Gina M. Wierzbowski

**Absent:** Councilman John Pytlovany

Also present were Director of Operations Jamie MacFarland and Comptroller George Phillips

Town Council Reports:

Councilman Ramotar – “The Park Planning Commission met last week and they discussed the dog park which is going to be located on the Anderson property. They will bring the information to the Town Board. We are looking to have this completed in 2012. Glenville Rotary is also a strong partner in this project.

They are also preparing for the “Winterfest” which will be held on February 4, 2012.”

Councilwoman Wierzbowski – “The leave pickup is just about completed. They are very nearly done so if we haven’t done your neighborhood at this time just hang in there we will get to you as soon as possible.”

Councilman Boulant – “Target is moving forward and everything is on track. There are no obstacles at this point.

I have been receiving quite a few phone calls, as my liaison role for economic development, with the 39,000 sq. ft. attached retail space that will adjoin Target. There is some activity there. A lot of the vacant properties that we have been trying to market for a couple years, there is activity. The restaurant aspect of it is a difficult call for us; they are basing it on demographics, new home construction. We are trying, the new home construction project on Swaggertown Road, that has been stagnant for a couple of years, has taken some light and is moving forward. I am not sure that it is going to happen at this point but it is a whole lot farther than it has been in a long time.

Anyone out there in TV land that wants to be a restaurant tour in Glenville please contact myself or the Town and we will be happy to help you out anyway we can. Our Small Business and Economic Development Committee are very excited for Glenville. We really have some community oriented residents who have stepped up to the plate. Glenville is being marketed on a global level more than on a local level. With the Schenectady County airport and the S-G Industrial Park there are some things happening and the airport is starting to see more activity. I think it is going to spur some businesses that we wouldn’t normally see in this area, hopefully a hotel or some restaurants and our goal is to fill the vacant properties.”

The following people exercised the privilege of the floor.

Andy Gilpin, 9 First St., Alplaus, spoke representing the Alplaus Residents Association. He thanked the Board for their efforts to try to help the residents with their cause to keep the Alplaus Post Office opened. Mr. Gilpin thanked the Board for their resolution and their letter writing to help support them in their cause.

## Supervisor's Comments:

Supervisor Koetzle shared the following information:

Annual health benefits fair was held on November 17<sup>th</sup>. Employees can consider changes to their health insurance plans during the open enrollment period. Having received the 2012 rates shortly before the date we are pleased to announce that the rate increases for health insurance were more modest than normal and we are hoping that is in part due to the contracts that we negotiated with the union and getting a better health product. With the health insurances being more moderate it's a win win for the town, the employees and the tax payers. We will continue to manage it as best we can. Going forward it's always a line that you have to watch and one year it may be good, next year may not be as good.

At the close of this year we are going to be looking at committee vacancies and groups that meet on our behalf. We are currently in process of viewing the town committee rosters and vacancies that are projected for 2012. If you know of anyone that may be interested let Jamie or me know. We will also reach out to the town residents to see if anyone is interested in serving.

Tonight's agenda has a lot of technology on it. These resolutions deal with helping the town transition over the next few years from an in-house server system to what is commonly referred to as "cloud computing" and thereby the town's software and systems are operating on off-site servers through the internet connection. Upgrading our town's internet connection is an essential first step in preparing for the future. I want to thank Councilman Pytlovany for helping to develop this division along with George Phillips and really keeping us up to date on our IT needs.

The Alplaus Post Office as Andy indicated, I had the opportunity to be at their neighborhood meeting on this. It's unfortunate that this has been an issue that they are looking to close the post office within the Hamlet and we have a resolution here tonight asking the legislatures and public officials on the federal level to please intervene on our behalf. This legislation cannot mandate that the US Post Office or the Postal Worker's Union change their agreement to close Alplaus but we want to make it clear to all of those involved that we do not agree with this decision and that we do not like this decision.

I have a letter from our Receiver of Taxes, who has apparently reached her 20 years of service and decided to retire at the end of this year. I want to thank her for her service and we appreciate all of the work that she has done on behalf of the town. We are going, however very shortly, into a January collection and so we are going to have to talk a little bit how we get through that collection right now.

Supervisor Koetzle moved ahead with the agenda

### **RESOLUTION NO. 178-2011**

**Moved by:** Councilman Boulant

**Seconded by:** Councilwoman Wierzbowski

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Glenville is currently spending approximately \$1,150 a month on T1 phone and internet service with TWtelecom, and

**WHEREAS**, the TWtelecom has offered the town an upgrade of over double the bandwidth, fax line replacement, and fiber optic service all the way to their central office to avoid the down times experienced using resold Verizon phone lines;

**WHEREAS**, the service would be provided for a monthly fee of \$1,214.10 (60 months not to increase) and a setup charge of \$500 on NYS Contract # PS63072, and

**WHEREAS**, the service could recover its cost increase within a twelve month period by replacing a couple of fax number lines currently paying a monthly fee for service,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Glenville Town Board hereby authorizes the upgrade of T1 services for internet, fax, and phone account numbers based on number of phone lines used to 01.00.1620.4200, 02.00.1620.4200, 02.00.3120.4200, and 50.11.8310.4200.

**Ayes:** Councilmen Boulant, Ramotar, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and Supervisor Koetzle  
**Noes:** None  
**Absent:** Councilman Pytlovany  
**Abstentions:** None

**Motion Carried**

**RESOLUTION NO. 179-2011**

**Moved by:** Councilman Boulant  
**Seconded by:** Councilwoman Wierzbowski

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Glenville currently spends \$3,060 a year on Web Content Filter software, and

**WHEREAS**, the Town's Information Technology contractor Rockitinc has recommended that the Web Content Filter software be replaced by a Barracuda Webfilter 410 hardware device at a cost of \$3,599; and

**WHEREAS**, the Barracuda Webfilter 410 device costs \$3,599, is in budget line 01.00.1680.2000, and will have an annual maintenance cost of \$989 versus the Web Content Filter software cost of \$3,060 annually,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Glenville Town Board hereby authorizes the purchase of a Barracuda Webfilter 410 device at a cost of \$3,599 to be charged to account number 01.00.1680.2000, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Glenville Town Board hereby authorizes the purchase of annual maintenance for the Barracuda Webfilter 410 at a cost of \$989 to be funded by transferring the funds from 01.00.1680.2000 to 01.00.1680.4433.

**Ayes:** Councilmen Boulant, Ramotar, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and Supervisor Koetzle  
**Noes:** None  
**Absent:** Councilman Pytlovany  
**Abstentions:** None

**Motion Carried**

**RESOLUTION NO. 180-2011**

**Moved by:** Councilman Boulant  
**Seconded by:** Councilwoman Wierzbowski

**WHEREAS**, the Town's Information Technology contractor Rockitinc has recommended that the Microsoft Outlook version 2010 client user license software needs to be purchased for all workstations at \$30 each at a cost not to exceed \$1,900,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Glenville Town Board hereby authorizes the purchase of the Microsoft Outlook 2010 version client user license software needs to be purchased for all workstations at \$30 each at a cost not to

exceed \$1,900 to be funded by transferring the funds from 01.00.1680.2000 to 01.00.1680.4000.

**Ayes:** Councilmen Boulant, Ramotar, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and Supervisor Koetzle

**Noes:** None

**Absent:** Councilman Pytlovany

**Abstentions:** None

### **Motion Carried**

### **Discussion...**

Councilman Boulant – “I have done some investigating. The closure of the Alplaus Post Office is something that should not happen. When you show a profit the last thing you want to do is close down a profit center. It makes no sense what so ever. If it was a loss I would understand 100%, a break-even marginal, to show a profit is foolish. This boils down to an agreement that the union and the US Postal Service came to; the way that it was presented is “job preservation” and it’s not it’s “hours preservation”. They are portraying this as saving 16,000 jobs and it’s not, it’s saving 16,000 hours. This just blows me away that something like this can happen and it makes no sense what so ever. I don’t know what else we can do for you. It is foolish, it shouldn’t happen and they are closing it for all of the wrong reasons. I am 100% behind you and totally against the closure of the post office.”

Councilwoman Wierzbowski – “I am behind all of you as well.”

Supervisor Koetzle – “I have had the opportunity to talk with Congressman Tonko on this, I talked with Assemblyman Tedisco, I wrote letters to all of the elected officials; I have only heard back from Senator Farley who is in support of our cause.”

### **RESOLUTION NO. 181-2011**

**Moved by:** Councilman Boulant

**Seconded by:** Councilwoman Wierzbowski

**WHEREAS**, the Alplaus Post Office was notified on October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011, that their Contract Postal Unit was scheduled for closure on January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012, and

**WHEREAS**, the Alplaus Post Office has continuously served the hamlet of Alplaus for over 90 years, converting to a self-sustaining contract office in 1973, and

**WHEREAS**, the Alplaus Post Office provides services essential to a small community, including acting as a hub of community communication and as a central point of contact, and

**WHEREAS**, the Alplaus Post Office annually returns a net profit to the US Postal Service of approximately \$35,000,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of Glenville does hereby respectfully request the following:

1. That federal elected officials including Senators Gillibrand and Schumer and Congressman Tonko advocate to the USPS to allow for the continued operation of the Alplaus Post office.
2. That the USPS and the American Postal Workers Union amend their agreement of November 21, 2010, wherein the parties agreed to close the Alplaus Post Office.

**Ayes:** Councilmen Boulant, Ramotar, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and Supervisor Koetzle

**Noes:** None

**Absent:** Councilman Pytlovany  
**Abstention:** None

**Motion Carried**

**New Business:**

Councilman Ramotar – “I would like to take a moment of silence for the men and women in the armed services and those that have died during Pearl Harbor.”

Councilman Boulant – “On Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at the Senior Center from 6:00 to 9:00 pm there will be a seminar hosted by the Government Finance Officers Association and I would like to thank George Phillips for arranging this event.”

**RESOLUTION NO. 182-2011**

**Moved by:** Councilman Boulant  
**Seconded by:** Councilwoman Wierzbowski

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of Glenville hereby adjourns into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters.

**Ayes:** Councilmen Boulant, Ramotar, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and Supervisor Koetzle  
**Noes:** None  
**Absent:** Councilman Pytlovany  
**Abstention:** None

**Motion Carried**

Supervisor Koetzle adjourned this portion of the meeting at 7:55 p.m. and entered into Executive Session.

Time being 8:55 p.m.; Supervisor Koetzle reconvened the meeting and announced that no action was taken during the Executive Session.

Supervisor Koetzle asked for a motion to adjourn; motion to adjourn was Moved by Councilman Boulant; Seconded by Councilwoman Wierzbowski, everyone being in favor the meeting was adjourned at 8:56 PM.

ATTEST:

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Linda C. Neals  
Town Clerk