

REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF GLENVILLE
JANUARY 18, 2012
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, John C. Pytlovany, Sid Ramotar and Councilwoman Gina M. Wierzbowski

Absent: None

Also present were Attorney Michael Cuevas, Director of Operations James MacFarland and Highway Superintendent Tom Coppola.

Supervisor Koetzle announced that Item # 9 on the agenda had been pulled and would be taken up at another time.

Town Council Reports: None

No one exercised the privilege of the floor.

Supervisor's Comments:

I would like to point out the comments by the Gazette opinion piece today. After some time we appreciate the vote of confidence by the Gazette indicating that we should proceed with the elimination of the Receiver of Taxes position here in Glenville. Everything is going very smoothly with who we have in place. Pat Aragosa, as you know, is doing a phenomenal job, I think better than anticipated. We haven't had any of the volume issues that they thought they were going to have. I am very happy with Pat and the entire staff in that office.

Jamie and I will be meeting with bank officials tomorrow to plan the next steps on the tax receiving services. We will continue to talk with the banks and hopefully have some action plan very shortly for the local law and the referendum that will be coming shortly to the public.

The retirement party in recognition is planned for Joan Menhinick on Friday, January 27th from 5:00 to 7:00 at the Waters Edge Restaurant, to show our appreciation for her many years of service to the town.

There is a tour of the GSA property planned for January 26th. The Town is working with Metroplex for the best acquisition plan for the Town. Everyone is invited to that.

Jamie and I met with the officials from the Baptist Health Retirement Center regarding their request for a letter of support for their proposal to convert the old nursing home on Rte. 50 to 46 apartments, now 15 of which they are working with the ARC to become housing for people with development disabilities. There is a possibility that they may take more than 15 as they continue to talk but the funding application that is for both the nursing home on Swaggertown Road as well as the conversion of the existing home that they are currently in right now. One change to the new plan is to modify the nursing home for Swaggertown Road from 19 green house style homes to a single building that would combine the various units including a memory care unit. Independent of that they are preceding with assisted living development portion of the project this year. They are continuing with that piece that's independent of the grant piece of it. They have begun offering nearby homes water testing as specified in their approvals from the Town, so they are going to begin testing the wells there very shortly.

The Strategic Plan is coming along nicely. We will have this ready for the February 15th presentation to the public at 7:00 pm here and some thoughts about the budget process, what we went through and what we will be going through for 2012.

Supervisor Koetzle moved ahead with the agenda items.

RESOLUTION NO. 48-2012

Moved by: Councilman Ramotar

Seconded by: Councilwoman Wierzbowski

WHEREAS, the New York State Legislature adopted the “Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee Assessment Relief Act” (hereafter “Act”) in response to the severe property damage caused by those named weather events to real property in many counties in New York State; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned Act was signed into law by the Governor on December 19, 2011 and requires that any municipality wishing to exercise the local option of extending the benefits of the Act to do so within 45 days after its signing by the Governor, which would be by January 23, 2012; and

WHEREAS, Schenectady County is an “eligible county” as defined by the Act by reason of having been included in a federal disaster declaration for either the hurricane or the tropical storm and the Town of Glenville is an “eligible municipality” as being wholly within an “eligible county”; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Glenville recognizes that some residents of the Town may have suffered a loss of assessed value in excess of fifty (50) percent of the value contained on the 2011 tax roll, qualifying them for real property tax relief under the provisions of the Act, even though the damage to the property occurred after the taxable status date; and desires to assist such owners of “catastrophically impacted property”;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Glenville hereby exercises the local option, adopting the provisions of the “Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee Assessment Relief Act” (Part G of Chapter 56 of the Laws of 2011) and extends its benefits to eligible property owners in the Town of Glenville and the Comptroller is hereby authorized to pay any refunds to owners of catastrophically impacted property as may be approved by the Assessor and/or the Board of Assessment Review in accord with the procedures outlined in the Act.

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

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstention: None

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 49-2012

Moved by: Councilwoman Wierzbowski

Seconded by: Councilman Ramotar

WHEREAS, the Town of Glenville Public Works’ Department is in need of short-term (seasonal) help to perform certain necessary duties during a period of time when three Public Works’ employees are unable to work,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Michael Guzzo, 10 Fifth Street, Scotia, NY, is hereby appointed to the vacant title of Laborer – Seasonal in the Department of Public Works, effective 1/11/2012 through 4/11/2012, at the budgeted pay rate of \$8.00 per hour; no other benefits being provided.

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

Motion Carried

Discussion...

Supervisor Koetzle – “Once we have the public hearing the process then would be that we would act on the local law and then go to a referendum for the public after that. This is just for the call for a public hearing. This is for the elimination of the elected position but it also creates an appointed office as Receiver of Taxes by the Town Board effective January 1, 2013.”

RESOLUTION NO. 50-2012

Moved by: Councilman Boulant
Seconded by: Councilman Pytlovany

WHEREAS, a local law to adopt a new Chapter 53 of the Code of the Town of Glenville, “Receiver of Taxes”, being proposed as Local Law No.1 – 2012, a copy of which is attached hereto, was introduced at this meeting by a member of the Town Board of the Town of Glenville; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of said Local Law is to abolish the elective office of Town of Glenville Receiver of Taxes and to establish an appointive office of Town of Glenville Receiver of Taxes; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board wishes to hold a public hearing with respect to the adoption of said Local Law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a public hearing be held by the Town Board of the Town of Glenville with respect to the adoption of the aforesaid Local Law at 7:30 PM on February 1, 2012, at the Glenville Municipal Center, 18 Glenridge Road, Glenville, New York, and it is further

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause public notice of said hearing to be given as provided by law.

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

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 51-2012

Moved by: Councilwoman Wierzbowski
Seconded by: Councilman Ramotar

WHEREAS, a written petition has been presented to and filed with the Town Clerk of the Town of Glenville requesting an extension to Water District No.11 of the Town of Glenville be established to include real property described by section, block and lot number in the petition and consisting of one parcel located at 103E Van Buren Lane in the Town of Glenville; and

WHEREAS, a map, plan and report is not required as the extension is an

addition of one service lateral to an existing private water line previously approved by the Town Board, to be added with the approval of the Commissioner of Public Works ; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Glenville hereby adopts the following order:

ORDER

1. A petition to add an Extension to Water District No. 11 from an existing private water line between 3 Van Buren Lane and 14 Van Buren Lane has been filed with the Town Clerk on or about January 12, 2012.
2. The real property to be included in the extension is described by section, block and lot number as identified on the Schenectady County Real Property Tax Service Agency Tax Map as: 28.8-2-29.
3. The improvements proposed are the installation of a service lateral connection to the private water line of approximately 100 feet for an individual service connection along the route described in "1" as indicated above.
4. The amount proposed to be expended for the extension is approximately \$2000.00 to be borne entirely by the developer.
5. While the improvements may benefit other users in the future, no portion of the cost this extension will be attributable to Water District No.11.
6. The estimated annual cost to the typical property is:
 - a. District: \$0.00
 - b. Debt Service: \$62.56
7. The requirement for a map, plan and report describing the extension has been dispensed with as the service lateral connects to a private water line previously approved by Town Board with respect to the property at 3 Van Buren Lane.
8. The proposed financing method to be employed in the construction of this connection in this Water district extension is private financing by the developer.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Glenville will hold a public hearing on the petition to establish this extension to Water District No. 11 on February 1, 2012 at 7:30 PM or as soon thereafter as the matter can be reached, at the Glenville Municipal Center at 18 Glenridge Road, Glenville, New York to hear all persons interested in the establishment of this extension to the Water district; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this order certified by the Town Clerk shall be published at least once in the official newspaper of the Town and that said publication be not less than ten nor more than twenty days before the February 1, 2012 public hearing date.

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

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 52-2012

Moved by: Councilman Ramotar
Seconded by: Councilwoman Wierzbowski

BE IT RESOLVED that the **Monthly Departmental Reports** for December, 2011 as received from the following:

Assessor's Department
Dog Control

Economic Development & Planning Department
Justice Department
Town Clerk's Office

be, and they hereby are accepted, approved for payment and ordered placed on file.

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

Motion Carried

New Business

Councilman Boulant – “In monitoring the social network “Facebook” there were some things that were traveling around about the dog control officer and us with the Town of Charlton. It seems to be that there are some people who work for the Town of Glenville and the community that don’t realize that our dog control officer also takes care of Charlton. It’s not for free, we are compensated for that. I would just like to clarify that issue.”

Supervisor Koetzle asked for a motion to adjourn; motion to adjourn was Moved by Councilwoman Wierzbowski; Seconded by Councilman Boulant, everyone being in favor the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

ATTEST:

Linda C. Neals
Town Clerk