

TOWN OF WATERTOWN

REGULAR MEETING

MUNICIPAL BUILDING

FEBRUARY 11, 2010

TOWN BOARD MEMBERS

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

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

Councilman Desormo offered a prayer and Supervisor Bartlett led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

MOTION # 19

Supervisor Bartlett moved to accept the minutes of the January 14, 2010 as presented. Councilman Prosser seconded.

Ayes All

Supervisor Bartlett introduced Mr. Robert Ferris, the newly elected Legislator for District 11, which includes the Town of Watertown.

Mr. Ferris introduced himself and offered his assistance to anyone in the town who may have need for his assistance as County Legislator.

Supervisor Bartlett turned the floor over to Mr. Mickey Lehman and Bob Boliver, the engineers representing Bernier Carr & Associates. Bernier Carr Associates had prepared a preliminary report regarding the Lettiere Tract Water District. Mr. Lehman spoke to the board and to the public about the potential of the town acquiring the Lettiere water system, and how it could be accomplished.

With many residents/ users of the Lettiere water system present at the meeting, several people spoke and were in favor of the town taking over the water system. Several questions were asked and answered. The next steps for acquiring and operating the water system by the town were addressed during the meeting, and a plan for the next steps was formalized.

All those who wished to talk on the subject were provided the opportunity.

Supervisor Bartlett called for a recess of the meeting at 8:21 PM.

Supervisor Bartlett reconvened the meeting at 8:34 PM

Supervisor Bartlett acknowledged receipt of the town clerk’s report for the Month of January 2010.

The monthly report from the Town of Watertown Ambulance was acknowledged as received.

MOTION # 20

WHEREAS, Assessor Tibbetts has requested certain parcel splits and corrections to the 2010 tax roll for real properties identified and attached as “EXHIBIT A”

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the town council hereby approves the corrections to the tax bills and authorizes the town clerk to issue new and corrected tax bills to the owners of said parcels.

Split		Amount	Acres
91.12-1-21	Rolland & Vicky Churchill	\$869.30	2.00

Split into

91.12-1-21	Rolland & Vicky Churchill	\$492.79	.97
91.12-1-20.2	Ryan & Lesley Churchill	\$376.51	1.03

And

91.12.1.20	Rolland & Vicky Churchill	\$686.57	1.47
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Split into

91.12-1-20.1	Rolland & Vicky Churchill	\$681.03	1.05
91.12-1-20.2	Ryan & Lesley Churchill	\$ 5.54	.42

Supervisor Bartlett moved the foregoing resolution and Councilman Rich seconded.

Ayes All

#### MOTION # 21

WHEREAS, Marcellus Construction has completed a phase of work relating to pipeline infrastructure improvements contract No. 2 in Water District #1 and has submitted a pay request No. 3 in the amount of \$29,937.07, and

WHEREAS, the town's engineer has certified that the work performed meets all standards as applicable under the contract for services provided by Marcellus Construction.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the supervisor is hereby authorized to issue payments to Marcellus Construction for pay request No. 3 in the amount of \$29,937.07.

Supervisor Bartlett moved the foregoing resolution and Councilman Prosser seconded.

Comments: Councilman Prosser noted that the attached document of payments states the amount as being \$27,937.07 rather than the \$29,937.07 as stated in the resolution.

Councilman moved to amend the resolution to read \$27,937.07. Councilman Rich seconded the amended resolution.

The motion to amend the resolution:

Ayes All

The motion on the resolution as amended.

Ayes All

#### MOTION # 22

WHEREAS, JORDSTAT Construction has completed a phase of work relating to contract NO. 4, Electrical, in Water District No. 1 and Water District No. 4 and has submitted pay request No. 3 in the amount of \$105,332.78, (Water District No. 1= \$52,553.92, Water District No. 4= \$52,778.86, and

WHEREAS, the towns engineer has certified that the work performed meets all standards as applicable under the contract for services provided by JORDSTAT Construction.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the supervisor is hereby authorized to issue payment to JORDSTAT Construction for pay request No. 3 in the amount of \$105,332.78.

Supervisor Bartlett moved the foregoing resolution and Councilman Prosser seconded.

Ayes All

MOTION # 23

WHEREAS, public works employee Kevin Stevens has met all necessary criteria for a wage grade increase from MEO-3 to MEO 2, and

WWHEREAS, the public works superintendent has certified to this board that Mr. Stevens meets all qualifications for said promotion.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, public works employee Kevin Stevens is hereby promoted to wage grade MEO-2 with a new hourly rate of compensation established at \$17.18 per/hour effective with the first full pay period in February 2010.

Supervisor Bartlett moved the foregoing resolution and Councilman Rich seconded.

Comments: Councilman Smith asked a question regarding the MEO system.

Ayes All

MOTION # 24

Supervisor Bartlett moved to pay the following abstracts as audited.

Spec. Dist. Vouchers.	#	13	to	14	Total	\$71,480.53
General Vouchers	#	37	to	64	Total	\$53,351.95
Highway Vouchers	#	17	to	49	Total	\$32,551.43
Spec. Dist. Vouchers.	#	15	to	24	Total	\$43,482.75

Councilman Rich Seconded the motion.

Ayes All

Old Business: Discussion took place regarding the Nation Grid energy audit.

MOTION # 25

Councilman Prosser moved to go forward with National Grid to have the recommendations as proposed installed in the town. Councilman Desormo seconded.

Comments: Councilman Smith asked Public Works Superintendent John Maguire if he was satisfied.

Mr. Maguire stated that he was.

Ayes All

Councilman Prosser moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:48 PM. Supervisor Bartlett seconded.

Ayes All

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Catherine M. Rich, Town Clerk