

TOWN OF WATERTOWN  
REGUAR MEETING  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
JULY 10, 2008

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 opened the meeting at 7:00 PM and asked for a roll call of members present. All members were present. Legal Counsel Joseph W. Russell was present.

MOTION # 79

Supervisor Bartlett moved to accept the minutes of the June 12, 2008 Regular Meeting. Councilman Desormo seconded.

Ayes All

MOTION # 80

Supervisor Bartlett offered a motion to accept the minutes of the June 26, 2008 Special Board Meeting. Councilman Smith seconded.

Ayes All

MOTION # 81

Supervisor Bartlett moved to call for a Special Meeting at 7:00 PM on July 24, 2008 at the Town of Watertown Municipal Building, 22867 Co. Rt. 67, Watertown, N.Y, 13601. The purpose of the meeting is to conduct an environmental assessment review as it pertains to Water Districts # 3, 4 and 6, infrastructure improvements. Councilman Prosser seconded.

Ayes All

Supervisor Bartlett introduced Mr. Michael Boducki of Paradigm Economics. Mr. Boducki has been responsible for conducting the upgrades and revisions to the event center feasibility study.

Mr. Boducki reviewed the market characteristics of the area beginning in 2006 thru the present. Mr. Boducki reviewed the Dome Technology currently under consideration by the town. The proposed facility would have 5,500 seating capacity and the total project budget of \$12,643,469. He reviewed the various site options emphasizing the site on the east side of Interstate 81, known as the Donegan property. Mr. Boducki next reviewed the key financial considerations and the key components of possibly financing the project. He invited comments and questions from the board.

Supervisor Bartlett opened the floor for anyone wishing to make comments or ask questions of the proposed project. Several people spoke about specific concerns related to how the project would be paid for. The consensus was both favorable and unfavorable. Unfavorable comments related to tax consequences to the taxpayers of the town.

Supervisor Bartlett opened the floor for anyone wishing to address the town board on other town matters.

Mrs. Peggy Reymond asked the board to consider changing the law regarding outdoor wood burning stoves. She felt that the present dates were not conducive to neighboring residents during the spring and fall of the year. She proposed changing the dates to allow wood burning from November 15 to March 15 as opposed to the present law. She further stated that she believed that the property in question had an outdoor wood burning furnace that was in violation. Supervisor Bartlett said he would have the code enforcement officer look into any code violations.

Mr. Eisenhower asked a question regarding the abandonment of a portion of VanAllen Road in the town. Town legal Counsel Joseph W. Russell referred to the law with respect to the law regarding abandonment of town roads. He further stated that he would respond to the letter received by Mr. Eisenhower.

Mr. Heasley asked the status of the town extending water to his property on Coffeen St. near the intersection of Floral Drive. Several possible resolutions were discussed and Supervisor Bartlett said he would investigate the matter further.

Supervisor Bartlett closed the floor to the public and called for a ten minute recess at 9:25 PM.

Supervisor Bartlett reconvened the regular portion of the meeting at 9:35 PM.

Supervisor Bartlett acknowledged receipt of the town clerk's report for the month of June 2008.

#### MOTION # 82

WHEREAS, at the June 2008 regular council meeting, the council authorized a public notice be published soliciting for sealed bids for the towns purchase of 6,000 cubic yards of sand for highway department winter use, and

WHEREAS, bids were accepted up until 3:00 pm, Thursday July 10, 2008 with a request that bids be submitted on the sale of screened and unscreened material for the councils consideration, and

WHEREAS, following a review of the bids submitted for consideration, the lowest bid submitted for said material has been submitted by Richard Porter, and meets all requirements as enumerated in the public notice.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Watertown Council hereby authorizes the purchase of 6,000 cubic yards of sand material in screened form for highway department purposes at the bid price of \$235.00 per cubic yard.

Supervisor Bartlett offered the foregoing resolution and Councilman Rich seconded.

During discussion, Public Works Superintendent Serow asked if the board would hold off on accepting the bid until the next meeting.

All members voted nay on the resolution

#### MOTION # 83

Supervisor Bartlett moved to resubmit the notice of bid for 6,000 cubic yards of sand under the terms and conditions in the original resolution. Bids may be submitted up until August 14, 2008 at 3:00 PM. Councilman Rich seconded.

Ayes All

#### MOTION # 84

WHEREAS, it is necessary to transfer supplementary funds and amend the Fiscal Year 2008 budget in order to balance accounts.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the supervisor is authorized to transfer funds and amend the Fiscal Year 2008 Budget as follows:

<u>Decrease Acct. Code</u>	<u>Increase Acct. Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General Fund	Highway Interfund	\$100,000.00
Interfund Transfer	Revenue Transfer	

Highway Fund Balance	D5142.4 S/R Contr.	\$ 50,000.00
Highway Fund Balance	D5110.1 Gen Repairs P/S	\$ 50,000.00
Contingent Acct. A1910.4	A9010.8 State Retire.	\$ 9,066.00
Contingent Acct. A1910.4	A1425.4 Codification	\$ 1,500.00
Contingent Acct. A1910.4	A8020.4 Planning Contr.	\$ 5,250.00

Supervisor Bartlett moved to approve the foregoing resolution and Councilman Desormo seconded.

Ayes All

**MOTION # 85**

WHEREAS, EFX Multimedia Service, Washington, Utah has submitted a consultant Agreement proposal to provide animation services providing an animated preview/movie short of the proposed Watertown Event Center under the terms and conditions of the agreement attached and known as EXHIBIT A, for the contract price of \$13,000.00

WHEREAS, the animation services will provide the Town Board, Town Residents, and various funding agencies with a comprehensive animated 3D detail of the scale and scope of the proposed Watertown Event Center project.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the supervisor is hereby authorized to execute the agreement on behalf of the Town of Watertown under the terms and conditions as detailed in said agreement, for the contract price of \$13,000.00.

Supervisor Bartlett moved the foregoing resolution and Councilman Prosser seconded.

Councilman Rich stated that he did not believe that the town should pay out any more taxpayer dollars until the town received formal support from the county and the city. The town needs to get them on board regarding bed tax monies and waiver of taxes on the facility. He further stated that this presentation would be necessary at some point down the road but we are not at that point at this time.

Voting on the motion as follows:

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

The motion was defeated.

**MOTION # 86**

The Following resolution was offered by Supervisor Bartlett to pay the abstracts as audited.

General Vouchers	#	179	to	180	Total	\$ 7,010.21
Highway Voucher	#	153	to	153	Total	\$ 9,091.58
Spec. Dist. Vouchers.	#	70	to	70	Total	\$ 135.58
General Vouchers	#	181	to	209	Total	\$29,955.94
Highway Vouchers	#	154	to	170	Total	\$15,579.86
Spec. Dist. Vouchers.	#	71	to	79	Total	\$51,284.47

The foregoing resolution was seconded by Councilman Rich.

Ayes All

Supervisor Bartlett asked the council members to review the proposal submitted by S.T.A.T. Communications, Inc., to take action at the next meeting.

Councilman Smith stated that he wanted to thank Mr. Serow for getting rid of the Port-a- Potty on Dry Hill Rd.

MOTION # 87

Councilman Prosser moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:48 PM. Supervisor Bartlett seconded.

Ayes All

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Catherine M. Rich, Town Clerk