# TOWN OF CANAJOHARIE MONTGOMERY COUNTY December 6, 2012

The Town Council held a regular monthly meeting at the Town office building at 12 Mitchell Street.

**Present** were Supervisor Herbert Allen, Council members William Armitstead, Judith Burgess, John Toomey, Jr., and Rodney Young, and Bookkeeper Amy Kretser. The meeting was opened at 7:30 PM with the pledge to the flag, and the Supervisor presented his **agenda**.

Supervisor Allen asked that the council add one item to the agenda, under Old and New Business, to discuss the quote for work on the back porch of the town building. With this addition, Councilman Toomey made a motion to accept the agenda. Councilman Armitstead seconded the motion, and all were in favor; agenda adopted.

Councilman Armitstead made a motion to accept the **minutes** of the November 1 meeting. Seconded by Supervisor Allen, the motion passed unanimously.

# **LEGISLATURE-Old or New Business**

## **Fulton County request for participation**

Fulton County has sent a letter to all Montgomery County towns suggesting participation in matching funds for a federal grant to study the feasibility of a connector highway between the NYS Thruway and Route 30A. They need to raise \$50,000 in matching funds to enable them to take advantage of a \$400,000 grant for the study, and as Montgomery County opted out, are going to the towns.

There was no interest among the Town Council to participate.

## **BUILDINGS - Old or New Business**

#### Work on back porch

A bid was received from Double "O" Builders for the project of covering the doorway on the back porch of the Town office building. Councilman Toomey moved to accept the bid of \$1531.73 with proviso that the contractor must show proof of insurance. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Burgess, and all were in favor. The work will begin as soon as possible.

#### **BOOKKEEPER**

Amy Kretser provided her monthly cash report, and it was noted that there is money in the bank for the building and machinery funds. Transfers included in the report need to be approved with the bills.

#### Announcements

- There was no Planning Board meeting held in November, and there will not be one in December either.
- Justice fines received by the Town for the month of November totaled \$5,257 (\$10,081 was sent to the State). This is shown on the Supervisor's report.

• An informational sheet about a Land Incentive Program offered by the DEC will be posted on the bulletin board.

#### **HIGHWAY**

In his absence, Highway Superintendent Eric Bowerman submitted the following written report:

# DECEMBER HIGHWAY DEPT. REPORT

- The new employee is Tim Jones. He is a good fit in the Dept. and things are going well.
- The new box has been installed on truck #5. We have painted it and it is in service.
- We continue to service and repair equipment and when weather allows we are cutting brush and trees on town roads.
- The new truck has been ordered. It looks like we will see the completed unit around the middle of March. I will keep you posted.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Bowerman, Highway Supt.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 7:50, Councilman Young called for an executive session to discuss litigation over assessments. Supervisor Allen seconded the motion, and all were in favor. At 8:00, Councilman Toomey, seconded by Councilwoman Burgess, moved to exit executive session. All were in favor. No decisions were made.

#### **BILLS AND TRANSFERS**

The clerk presented the following bill vouchers for payment approval: General fund vouchers #210 through #225 (#219 void), totaling \$71,989.56, and Highway fund vouchers #268 through #295, totaling \$26,813.86

Two fund transfers included in the bookkeeper's report were: A1990.4 Contingency to A1420.4 Attorney Contractual, \$1093.00, and B8010.4 Zoning Contractual to B8020.4 Planning Contractual, \$30.80

Councilman Toomey made the motion to approve the bills and transfers as submitted, seconded by Councilwoman Burgess. All were in favor.

## **ADJOURN**

On a motion by Councilman Armitstead, seconded by Supervisor Allen, the meeting was adjourned at 8:18 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan H. Smith Town Clerk