TOWN OF CANAJOHARIE MONTGOMERY COUNTY

April 10, 2014

The Town Council met for a regular monthly meeting at the Town Hall building, 12 Mitchell Street, Canajoharie, New York.

Present: Supervisor Herbert Allen, Councilpersons Judith Burgess, John Toomey, Jr., Rodney Young, and William Armitstead; Bookkeeper Amy Kretser, Highway Superintendent David Hodge

The meeting was opened by the Supervisor at 7:30, and the evening's agenda was presented

On a motion by Councilman Toomey, seconded by Councilperson Burgess, the **agenda** was **unanimously approved**.

On a motion by Councilman Armitstead, seconded by Councilperson Burgess, the **minutes** of the March meeting were **unanimously approved**.

Public Comment-None

Motion for Superintendent of Highway to sign agreement for consulting services made by Councilperson Burgess, seconded by Councilman Armitstead; Superintendent Hodge indicates that FEMA will pay 75% of the \$187,000.00 cost of the consulting fee; all in favor, **unanimously approved.**

Highway Superintendent-Presents to the Board Steven Oare, as a replacement for John Klock, John Klock's retirement begins May 1st. The money to hire Mr. Oare is in the budget, would start at \$14.00 an hour.

Superintendent Hodge presents to the Board the bids received from Auctions International:

Snowblower bid: \$9.300.00

Weldex bid: \$500.00 Excavator bid: \$9,600.00 2 buckets bid: \$490.00 1973 Walters: \$9,300.00 Total bids: \$28,820.00

Discussion between Councilmen Young and Toomey with Superintendent Hodge regarding whether or not the 1973 Walters would be worth more as scrap metal. Hodge gave example of only \$704.00 received for two loads of good scrap metal.

Motion to accept bids received from Auction International made by Councilman Armitstead, seconded by Councilman Toomey, all in favor, **unanimously approved.**

Superintendent Hodge would like to use the money raised from the above auction to go into the DA5130.2 fund for new equipment-2000 Gradall for \$15,000.00 (there are 2000 hours on it). **Motion** by Supervisor Allen, seconded by Councilman Toomey for bids on one used Gradall, all in favor, **unanimously approved**. Bids are to be opened at next meeting.

Superintendent Hodge would like to use the scrap money to go into DA5130.2 fund in the amount of \$1,107.00

New Business- Supervisor Allen and Councilperson Burgess attended a meeting regarding the consolidation of town courts with the Town of Palatine Court. Discussion as to whether Town of Canajoharie would be interested in court consolidation. Councilperson Burgess and Supervisor Allen do not think there would be any advantage to the Town's participation in court consolidation. Councilmen Toomey, Armitstead, and Young agree.

Motion to *not* participate in consolidation of Town Courts by Councilman Toomey, seconded by Councilperson Burgess, **all in favor, carried**

Planning Board-Planning Board held two meetings in March. Did not give Mr. Stolzfus approval for his auction house at this time. Contacting LaMont to do consult and traffic study, water run-off. The County feels there will be an impact on traffic. Entry and exit should be on Dygert Road, Dygert Road is a County road.

Bookkeeper-Finances are good, money in all accounts.

TOWN OF CANAJOHARIE CASH REPORT MARCH 31, 2014

CHECKING ACCOUNTS			MONEY MARKET A	ACCOUNTS	
General	\$	36,746.13		General	\$245,543.37
Fire District	\$	39.86		Highway Town Wide	\$ 55,702.79
Consolidated Health	\$	15.28		Highway Part Town	\$225,374.06
Highway Town Wide	\$	36,360.62		Total	\$526,620.22
Highway Part Town	\$	1,512.65			
Total	\$	74,674.54			
				SAVINGS ACCOUN	TS
				Consolidated Health	\$ 1,503.00
				Highway Cap Reserv	\$ 69,906.67
				Gen-Cap Reserve	\$134,597.69
				Gen-Sale of Land	\$ 53,789.93
				Total	\$259,797.29

Town Clerk-Tax collection has ended. The total taxes received with penalties: \$2,592,711.48.

The Town's share of taxes only: \$447,032.00

The Town's share of penalties and fees: \$6,630.36

Motion to Pay Bills by Councilman Toomey, seconded by Councilperson Burgess, all in favor **and unanimously approved**

General Fund vouchers numbered 73 through 94 totaling \$16,586.05

Highway Fund vouchers numbered 82 through 101 totaling \$16,335.00

8:25PM Executive Session-so moved by Councilman Toomey, seconded by Councilman Armitstead, all in favor.

8:30PM, Executive session ends with motion by Supervisor Allen, seconded by Councilman Armitstead, all in favor

9:03PM-Councilperson Burgess **moves** to adjourn meeting, seconded by Supervisor Allen, all in favor, and **unanimously approved**.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie M. Vroman Town Clerk