

At 7:10 p.m. Supervisor Webb A. Stevens called to order the regular monthly meeting of the Spafford Town Board. Councilors Bill Vinzant, Rick Fesko, and Ken Lieberman were present. Highway Superintendent Carl Wiers, Accountant Thomas Chartrand and Town Clerk Lisa Valletta were also present.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Mr. Wiers stated he had nothing to report. Everything is running smoothly.

A motion to accept the Highway Superintendent’s Report was made by Councilor Lieberman, seconded by Councilor Fesko. The motion PASSED. AYES – 4, NAYS – 0.

COMPENSATORY TIME POLICY

With pre authorization from the Town of Spafford Highway Superintendent, Town Highway employees will have the option of receiving “compensatory time” in lieu of paid overtime. When a Town Highway employee chooses to receive compensatory time, the employee will be credited with the equivalent of one and one half hours per hour of authorized time worked over forty hours in a given week.

A Town Highway employee may accumulate up to 24 hours in compensatory time credits. In the event an employee accrues more than 24 hours in compensatory time credits, the employee must either use the excess compensatory time credits or take paid overtime. An employee must use all compensatory time credits within the calendar year in which they are earned or receive cash payment at the end of the calendar year at the employee’s current rate of pay.

RESOLUTION 17-2007

Highway Compensatory Time Policy

On a motion by Councilor Vinzant, seconded by Councilor Lieberman the following resolution was PASSED
AYES – 4 Stevens, Vinzant, Fesko, Lieberman
NAYS – 0

Resolved to continue the Compensatory Time Policy for the Highway employees as described above.

AUDIT OF CLAIMS

There was a question regarding the bill received from Monroe Tractor – was the three year warranty optional? Mr. Wiers explained it was, the full three years are included on the bill.

RESOLUTION 18-2007

Audit of Claims

On a motion by Councilor Fesko, seconded by Councilor Vinzant the following resolution was PASSED
AYES – 4 Stevens, Vinzant, Fesko, Lieberman
NAYS – 0

Resolved the bills on Abstract #2, be paid in the following amounts:

General Fund	#33 through # 63	\$ 8,479.09
Highway Fund	#14 through # 26	\$58,653.47

(Highway Fund includes Machinery & Snow bills when applicable).

RESOLUTION 19-2007

Water District Expenses

On a motion by Councilor Fesko, seconded by Councilor Lieberman the following resolution was PASSED
AYES – 4 Stevens, Vinzant, Fesko, Lieberman
NAYS – 0

Resolved subject to approval by the Town Board of Marcellus and the Town Board of Otisco the bills in relation to the establishment of the Spafford Area Water District are to be paid in the following amounts:
Capital Fund #6 through #10 \$235,061.76

TOWN SUPERVISOR’S MONTHLY REPORT & STATEMENT

Accountant Thomas Chartrand reviewed the December 2006 Town Supervisor’s Report. Mr. Chartrand described the financial status of the Town of Spafford at the end of fiscal year 2006. Mr. Chartrand then reviewed the January 2007 Town Supervisor’s Report & Statement.

2006 END OF YEAR BUDGET TRANSFERS

Accountant Thomas Chartrand provided an outline of the pre-approved 2006 end of the year budget transfers:

GENERAL FUND

From	A1620.4	Buildings, Contractual	\$2,100.00
	A8389.4	Water Systems, Other	<u>2,900.00</u>
			<u>\$5,000.00</u>
To	A1670.4	Central Printing, Contractual	\$ 650.00
	A1680.4	Central Data Processing, Contractual	1,350.00
	A1920.4	Municipal Dues, Contractual	100.00
	A8010.1	Zoning, Personal Services	50.00
	A8160.4	Refuse & Garbage, Contractual	2,150.00
	A8810.4	Cemeteries, Contractual	<u>700.00</u>
			<u>\$5,000.00</u>

HIGHWAY FUND

From	DA5142.4	Snow Removal, Contractual	<u>\$ 800.00</u>
			<u>\$ 800.00</u>
To	DA5130.2	Machinery, Equipment	<u>\$ 800.00</u>
			<u>\$ 800.00</u>

RESOLUTION 20-2007

February 2007 Budget Transfers

On a motion by Councilor Vinzant, seconded by Councilor Lieberman the following resolution was PASSED
AYES – 4 Stevens, Vinzant, Fesko, Lieberman
NAYS – 0

Resolved to authorize the following February 2007 budget transfers:

GENERAL FUND

From	A599	Surplus	2006	\$3,200.00
				<u>\$3,200.00</u>
To	A8160.4	Refuse & Garbage, Contractual		\$3,200.00
				<u>\$3,200.00</u>

TOWN SUPERVISOR'S MONTHLY REPORT & STATEMENT

A motion to accept the Town Supervisor's Monthly Reports & Statement as presented was made by Councilor Lieberman, seconded by Councilor Fesko. The motion PASSED. AYES – 4, NAYS – 0.

RESOLUTION 21-2007

2006 Town Justice Court Books

On a motion by Councilor Lieberman, seconded by Councilor Vinzant the following resolution was PASSED
AYES – 4 Stevens, Vinzant, Fesko, Lieberman
NAYS – 0

Resolved to find a positive audit of the 2006 Town Justice Court books.

Town Clerk's Report

A motion to accept the Town Clerk's January Cash Report as presented was made by Councilor Fesko, seconded by Councilor Lieberman. The motion PASSED. AYES – 4, NAYS – 0.

County Legislator James Rhinehart had requested to be included on the evening's agenda, he was not present.

PROPOSED LOCAL LAW 1-2007

Town Attorney Matthew Kerwin explained that each town in New York State is required to adopt a law) for the administration and enforcement of the Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Codes. There was concern from the residents regarding the unsafe building portion of the proposed law when it was discussed in 2006. Following discussion between the Town Attorney and the Town Supervisor, the section addressing unsafe buildings was removed from proposed LL 2007-1. Mr. Kerwin explained that the unsafe building portion was not a necessary part of the administration and enforcement of the Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Codes. Supervisor Stevens explained it was not included in the sample law provided by New York State.

Councilor Vinzant requested clarification of the paragraph addressing the duties of the Code Enforcement Officer. Mr. Kerwin explained there is a typographical error in the paragraph; the referenced subsection should be (d) not (c).

Councilor Vinzant also requested clarification of the section discussing Operating Permits. He asked how strictly the wording would be interpreted. Mr. Kerwin explained that New York State regulates and provides guidelines that explain what type of agricultural operations and amounts of waste require permits. Agricultural businesses are not exempt from these regulations.

Regarding the Code Enforcement Officer (CEO), Mr. Kerwin explained the typical practice is an appointed individual with the necessary training serves as CEO for a town. The Town of Spafford has an appointed CEO without the training. The Town of Spafford CEO has the authority to sign documents provided the Town of Spafford Building Inspector, who must have the required training, has certified that everything relating to the document being signed by the CEO has been done as required by law.

C4. A community's existing plans or goals as officially adopted, or a change in use or intensity of use of land or other natural resources? Explain briefly:

No.

C5. Growth, subsequent development, or related activities likely to be induced by the proposed action? Explain briefly:

No.

C6. Long term, short term, cumulative, or other effects not identified in C1-C5? Explain briefly:

No.

C7. Other impacts (including changes in use of either quantity or type of energy)? Explain briefly:

No.

D. WILL THE PROJECT HAVE AN IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS THAT CAUSED THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL AREA (CEA)? Yes No If Yes, explain briefly:

No.

E. IS THERE, OR IS THERE LIKELY TO BE, CONTROVERSY RELATED TO POTENTIAL ADVERSE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS? Yes No If Yes, explain briefly:

No.

The Town Board of the Town of Spafford has determined, based on the information and analysis above and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action **WILL NOT** result in any significant adverse environmental impacts.

RESOLUTION 23-2007

To Enact Local Law 2007-1

A Local Law Providing for the Administration and Enforcement of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code
(full content of resolution and Local Law 2007-1 is on file in the Spafford Town Clerk's office)

The Town Board of the Town of Spafford, in the County of Onondaga, State of New York, met in regular session at the Town Hall in the Town of Spafford, located at 1984 Route 174 in Skaneateles, County of Onondaga, State of New York, on the 8th day of February, 2007, at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Webb A. Stevens, Supervisor, and the following were present, namely:

Webb A. Stevens	Supervisor
Billy Vinzant	Councilor
Richard Fesko	Councilor
Ken Lieberman	Councilor

Absent: Merrill Clark Councilor

The following resolution was moved by Councilor Lieberman, seconded by Councilor Fesko and adopted:

WHEREAS, a Local Law has been introduced before the Board, to wit: Local Law No. 2007-1, which would superseded and replace Local Law No. 1985-1 in its entirety; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Spafford, County of Onondaga, State of New York, held a Public Hearing on the matter of the adoption of the aforesaid Local Law, and that such Public Hearing was held at the Town Hall of the Town of Spafford, located at 1984 Route 174 in Skaneateles, County of Onondaga, State of New York, on the 9th day of November, 2006, at 7:00 p.m., and all persons in interest and citizens desiring to be heard had an opportunity to be heard;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Spafford hereby enacts Local Law No. 2007-1.

Webb A. Stevens	aye
Billy Vinzant	aye
Richard Fesko	aye
Kenneth Lieberman	aye

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing in the office of the New York State Secretary of State in accordance with Section 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Lisa M. Valletta, Town Clerk, Town of Spafford

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED, that said Local Law shall be in full force and effect as provided by law upon the filing of this Local Law with the Secretary of State.

I hereby certify that all members of Board had due notice of said meeting.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Town of Spafford, this 8th day of February, 2007.

DATED: February 8, 2007
Skaneateles, New York

LISA M. VALLETTA
Town Clerk of the Town of Spafford
Onondaga County, New York

REVALUATION

Supervisor Stevens opened a discussion with the Board members of the benefits and disadvantages of conducting a revaluation. Councilor Lieberman is against a revaluation. Councilor Vinzant is in favor and Councilor Fesko is undecided. The discussion continued. Comments included:

- Equalization rate provides balance between other towns.
- Revaluation adjusts any inequities on assessments of properties within the town.

