

At 7:00 p.m. Supervisor Stevens called to order the meeting of the Spafford Town Board. Councilors Rick Fesko, Ken Lieberman, Merrill Clark, and Jeff Ireland were present. Highway Superintendent Carl Wiers, Code Enforcement Officer Kim Fairchild and Town Clerk Lisa Valletta were also present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Accountant Thomas Chartrand arrived at 8 p.m.

TOWN HALL ROOF

An inspection was made of the Town Hall roof; the Town Board should anticipate repair work in two years.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- The Highway Department has returned to the five day week/eight hours per day schedule.
- The chimney on the Highway Garage needs repair. The smoke comes out the sides of the chimney as well as the top.
- The new pad for the fuel tanks is completed. Once the fuel in the tanks is sufficiently low; the tanks will be moved.

There was a discussion of obtaining estimates for the chimney repair and wiring of the fuel tanks.

A motion to accept the Highway Superintendent's Report was made by Councilor Fesko, seconded by Councilor Lieberman. The motion PASSED. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0.

MINUTES

A motion to accept the minutes of the September 25 and October 9, 2008 Town Board meetings as submitted was made by Councilor Fesko, seconded by Councilor Lieberman. The motion PASSED. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0.

CASELLA WASTE SERVICES

The Town Clerk received documentation showing the Town of Spafford account was credited \$333.12 for the work performed by the Town of Spafford Highway Department at the Transfer Station. Therefore, payment for July 2008 services at the Spafford Transfer Station was released to Casella Waste Services (Casella). Kevin Beverine of Casella explained the fuel charges on the contract fee have been credited back to the account as well. The Town Clerk requested he send documentation showing the credit, to allow release of the payment for the August 2008 services.

RESOLUTION 95-2008

Audit of Claims

On a motion by Councilor Fesko seconded by Councilor Lieberman the following resolution was PASSED

AYES – 5
NAYS – 0

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

General Fund	# 334 through # 367	\$21,445.82
Highway Fund	# 136 through # 155	\$61,524.91

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

The voucher submitted by Highway Superintendent Carl Wiers for payment of his work at the Transfer Station on special collection days will be paid through the payroll instead of by voucher.

facilitate payment as aforesaid. The Law Firm will provide documentation to each Town relative to all full settlements with property owners, Advance Payments and the payment to the Onondaga County Clerk as described herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, a request for a motion is hereby made to the Town Board members to approve the proposed payment of the 2nd BAN funds designated as just compensation to the Law Firm, to be held in escrow by the Law Firm and to be distributed as aforesaid.

Upon motion made by Councilor Richard Fesko and seconded by Councilor Ken Lieberman;

All in favor:

AYES 5 – Stevens, Fesko, Lieberman, Clark, Ireland

NAYS 0

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF SPAFFORD that, subject to the approval by Resolution or Order of the Towns of Otisco and Marcellus, and the sub-mission of a Voucher by the Law Firm to the Town of Spafford, and the approval of such Voucher by the Town of Spafford:

- (1) \$131,350.00 from the 2nd BAN be paid to the Law Firm of Craig J. Billinson & Associates to be held, in escrow, by such Law Firm and to be paid as required by the various Onondaga County Supreme Court Orders and pursuant to the EDPL as just compensation relative to Easements acquired by the Town of Otisco; and
 - (2) \$4,150.00 from the 2nd BAN be paid to the Law Firm of Craig J. Billinson & Associates to be held, in escrow, by such Law Firm and to be paid as required by the various Onondaga County Supreme Court Orders and pursuant to the EDPL as just compensation relative to Easements acquired by the Town of Marcellus; and
 - (3) That the Law Firm of Craig J. Billinson & Associates shall provide to the Towns of Otisco, Spafford and Marcellus such documentation as may be required by each Town relative to the distribution of such funds.
- Be it so Ordered.

TOWN CLERK’S REPORT

A motion to accept the Town Clerk’s Cash Report as presented was made by Councilor Fesko, seconded by Councilor Lieberman. The motion PASSED. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER’S REPORT

Mr. Kim Fairchild reviewed the October activity report for the Town Board: seven new building permits were issued; five applicants were sent to the Zoning Board of Appeals; three appearance tickets were sent. Mr. Fairchild further reported he has completed the training required for his 2009 certification.

A motion to accept Mr. Fairchild’s report was made by Councilor Lieberman, seconded by Councilor Clark. The motion PASSED. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0.

SENIOR CITIZEN PARKING LOT SIGN

The sample sign designs were presented to the Town Board; there was a discussion of the sign placement. Councilor Ireland is authorized to purchase the sign from Moreland & Sons Signs.

MARK BRIGGS PROPERTY

A letter was received from Mr. Mark Briggs requesting a trench dug into his property by the Highway Department to control run off from a severe storm in August 2004 be refilled. His letter included he is considering turning this same property over to the Town of Spafford to be retained as a public park. There was a discussion of the property and Mr. Briggs request. The trench is within the road’s right-of-way. Supervisor Stevens will respond to Mr. Briggs letter, with the goal of accepting Mr. Briggs offer to turn the land over to the Town.

