TOWN OF LISBON
BOARD MEETING
April 8, 2015
LISBON TOWN HALL

Present:
Supervisor James Armstrong          Councilmember Nathanael Putney
Town Clerk Donna McBath             Councilmember Robert McNeil
Attorney Charles Nash, Esq.          Highway Superintendent Timothy Dow

Absent: Councilmember Gary Jarvis, Councilmember Susan Duffy

Guest: Marc McDonell – Code Enforcement Officer; Steven Teele – Assessor and Legislator;
Stephen Wallace – Planning Board Member; Richard Stemples

1. Meeting Called to Order for the Town Board Meeting
Supervisor James Armstrong called the meeting to order at 6:50 PM.

2. Pledge Allegiance

Councilmember McNeil made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Putney to approve meeting
minutes March 11, 2015.                 Ayes – 3        Nays – 0

4. Town Clerk Report March 2015
Councilmember McNeil made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Duffy to approve the Town
Clerk’s Report for March 2015           Ayes – 3        Nays - 0

5. Approval of Town Justice Reports March 2015
Councilmember McNeil made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Jarvis to accept the Justice
Reports for March 2015.                Ayes – 3        Nays – 0

6. Approval of Abstracts

   a. General        $21,549.76
   b. Highway        $13,280.86
   c. Water          $549.88
   d. Sewer          $888.55

   Total             $36,269.05

Councilmember McNeil made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Putney to approve the
abstracts to be paid.                    Ayes – 3        Nays – 0
7. Approval of Supervisor’s Report
Councilmember McNeil made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Putney to approve the Supervisor’s Report.

Ayes – 3 Nays - 0

8. Highway Superintendent’s Report –
A. Highway Superintendent Dow informed the board that the new fuel system is up and running
B. Road Trip – Highway Superintendent Dow asked if the board members would still like to do a road trip. The board members informed him that they would pick a later date to do it.
C. Superintendent Dow brought to the board the matter of purchasing a new back hoe and trading in the 930 M Loader and 938M Loader. He informed the board members that the repairs had been very expensive to the back hoe and the gradall this past year.

Councilmember Putney made a motion, seconded by Councilmember McNeil to schedule a special meeting on a later date when all board members would be able to attend.

Ayes – 3 Nays - 0

9. Report from all Liaisons for committee
A. Planning Board – No report was given as the Planning Board had not had their meeting yet.
   Code Enforcement Officer McDonell informed the board members that 3 planning board members (Steve Jemison, Bill Leary and Dave Pearson) and himself attended the Tug Hill Conference last month.
   Code Enforcement Officer McDonell informed the board members that the Planning Board had an election of officers and named Steve Jemison as Chairman, Steve Wallace as Co-Chairman and Bill Leary as Secretary.
B. Recreation – Councilmember Putney informed the board members that the number of children that are signing up for recreation has increased. Also the Recreation Committee is trying to remove themselves from the Kiwanis teams.
C. Homecoming Committee – Councilmember Putney informed the board members that there will be a preliminary meeting in the near future.
D. Animal Control – Report attached for March. Attachment # 1

10. Report from Code Enforcement Officer Marc McDonell
Report was given on how many buildings were scheduled to be built this spring at this time. Code Enforcement Officer McDonell informed the town board members that he is sending out all reports to the Planning Board members that have E-Mail to save on postage. If the member does not have E-Mail, then it will be sent to him or her by US Postage.
11. Old Business
   A. Viridian Electric – Attorney Nash stated that he was waiting for a return call back from Viridian Electric
   B. Internal Audit
      Councilmember Putney stated that he and Bill Dashnaw did an audit on the Supervisor Office, Court Office and Town Clerk and Tax Collectors Office. Audit passed with flying colors.
      Mr. Dashnaw did bring up some suggestions:
      1. Town property records (Building and Land holdings) should be reviewed and compared with the listing on insurance policies on an annual basis.
      2. Each payroll should be certified by the Town Supervisor.
      3. Bank reconciliations for the Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Justice Court, and Town Supervisor office are performed by someone else other than the person in that certain office.

12. New Business
   A. Water & Sewer
      Town Clerk McBath asked if a building(s) is removed from a property that is in the Water/Sewer District, should the owner have to continue paying for water & sewer. Attorney Nash stated that he had looked over the contracts for the Water & Sewer district and found no records stating if a building(s) had been removed from the property that the owner still had to pay for water and sewer. It was decided that the Commissioners of the Water and Sewer would not charge for water and sewer for vacant lots.
   B. Letter to Congresswoman Elise Stefanic.
      Councilmember Putney stated that he spoken with Joe Cosentino concerning the establishment of a hospital for Veterans in Ogdensburg on the State Hospital Grounds. Mr. Cosentino replied to Councilmember Putney “that it was not well”. Councilmember Putney had asked Town Clerk McBath to contact Senator Ritchie on how the Town of Lisbon could help out. Town Clerk McBath stated that she called Senator Ritchie’s office and was advised to contact our Congress. Congresswoman Stefanic’s office informed Town Clerk McBath that the town should send a letter pertaining to the Town’s request.
      Councilmember Putney made a motion, seconded by Councilmember McNeil to ask for Town Clerk McBath to compose a letter to Congresswoman Stefanic, Senator Ritchie, Senator Schumer, Senator Gillibrand and Mr. Joseph Casentino. Supervisor Armstrong would sign the letter as the Town Board representative. Ayes – 3, Nays – 0
   D. Beach Passes
      Town Clerk McBath asked if the board wanted the beach and campground passes still be handed out from the Town Clerk’s Office. The board agreed that the Town Clerk would continue to hand out beach and campground passes.
   C. Shooting Range
      A discussion was held concerning the amount that the Correction Facility will be paying the town for using the shooting range on the Sand Road.
      Town Clerk McBath informed the board that she received a call from the Correction Facility stating that in the contract between Correction Facility and the Town that Riverview Correctional Facility was not listed. Only Ogdensburg Corrections Facility was in the contract. She asked if she may add Riverview Corrections Facility to the contract.
Councilmember McNeil made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Putney to add Riverview Corrections Facility’s name on the contract. Ayes – 3 Nays - 0

13. Recognition of Guest –
   A. Richard Stemples spoke on his concerns of the parking at the Town Hall.
   B. Assessor Steven Teele informed the board of concern regarding the land boundaries between the City of Ogdensburg and Town of Lisbon that were changed a few years ago. Land assessment that once went to the Town of Lisbon is now going to the City of Ogdensburg. This change does not affect Lisbon School District land assessment, which will remain the same.

14. Executive Session –
Councilmember Putney made a motion, seconded by Councilmember McNeil to go into executive session at 8:18 PM for personal reason within the highway department. The board asked for Highway Superintendent Dow to stay. Ayes – 3 Nays - 0

Councilmember McNeil made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Putney to come out of executive session and return to the regular meeting at 8:55 PM. Ayes – 3 Nays – 0

15. Adjournment
Councilmember Putney made a motion, seconded by Councilmember McNeil to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 PM. Ayes – 3 Nays - 0

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna McBath,
Town Clerk
Dog Control Report March 2015

3/3 – Call of Blue Heeler running @ lg on Dezell Rd – Drove road many times, could not find dog 41 miles

3/7 – Call of dogs running @ Sportsman’s Club – called owner – He picked up dogs

3/10 – Call from Andrew Hollis – Had gone to his property @ 53 Forsythe Rd. 2 dogs owned by daughter threatening – Just wanted it documented.

3/16 – Call from 10098 St Hwy 37 – Black dog on property – Picked up dog 44 Miles

3/23 – Complaint from Soditus – Pomerians running at lg – mailed letter to owner

3/22 – Old pomerian found on Hall Rd by James Snyder – Snyder met @ Madrid w/dog 3/23 – Call from Richard Stemples had lost pomerian – retrieved dog from shelter 17 Miles

3/23 – Call from Rick Engles – Walker hound @ 246 Taggert Rd bit UPS driver and tried to attack Engles – Wanted it documented

3/25 – Tom Mitchell – 2 dogs defecating and peeing on his property – owner Braden Dority – Mitchell just wanted it documented

Susan Siedlecki D.C.O.