

Town of Berkshire
Regular meeting
June 21st, 2010
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The regular meeting of the Berkshire town board was opened at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Mike Simmons, beginning with the pledge of allegiance.

Members present: Mike Simmons Supervisor, John Stoughton, Ronald Hartwig, Fraser Williams and Lillian Hoffmier.

A motion to approve the minutes from the May 17th meeting was made by Fraser Williams and seconded by Ronald Hartwig and carried.

Reports:

County planning Board-James Lacey- Absent

Code Officer- Lee Virtue- Many things out and being worked on, not a lot happening so far.

Clerk- Constance Liddington- passed

Justice-Charles Brundza- passed

Supervisor-Mike Simmons- Rep. From Chesapeake gas came to the workshop on Thursday and explained some of the things that would happen when well drilling begins in our area. He will come back with a more detailed report as drilling gets closer to actually happening in our area.

Highway- Karl Spoonhower- We will be stone and oiling Dimon and Payne Marsh roads soon. Chips money will be the same as last year. We are still waiting on the prices for the wiring in the new part of the garage.

Dog control-Ron Raab- absent

Assessor-Cathy Edwards- passed

Privilege of the floor:

Kenneth Partridge- I would like to see a speed limit put on Shirley Rd. Mike Simmons explained that if we do put a speed limit on his road it would have to be a town wide speed limit. This is something that will be considered and we will look into the details of how to do this.

Kenneth also wanted to know why the town highway dept. seems to work only on roads that know one lives on and lets the other roads people actually live on go. He thinks that the priority should be where more people live.

Brett Welch- Updating the fire station issue- the vote for the new fire station was apparently not legal so there has to be a new vote. Obviously everything is on hold until that takes place. If the vote is no the fire department has in effect wasted 40,000.00 dollars on the architect they paid to design the new fire station.

Old Business:

Town hall renovation- we are still waiting for Steve McElwain to come up with some specs. Then we can try to get some bids from contractors.

Code enforcement- wanting to make sure Lee Virtue code officer is working on the unlicensed vehicles around town. He assured us that things are happening.

New Business:

Resolution # 2 (attached) budget correction. A motion to pass resolution #2 was made by Ronald Hartwig and seconded by Mike Simmons and carried.

Board concerns: Fraser Williams- Telephone wires have been installed.

Approval of the Warrants:

Ronald Hartwig made a motion to approve payment of the Highway warrant as audited by the board vouchers # 78-95 totaling 19,740.69 seconded by Mike Simmons and carried.

Mike Simmons made a motion to approve payment of the General warrant as audited by the board vouchers #70-89 totaling 24,714.78 seconded by John Stoughton and carried.

A motion to adjourn at 7:35 pm was made by Lillian Hoffmier and seconded by Fraser Williams and carried.

Respectfully submitted
Constance Liddington