

**Stillwater Town Board
Agenda Meeting/ Workshop
Proposed SCWA Connection Project
December 1, 2011 6:00 PM
Stillwater Community Center**

Present: **Councilman Artie Baker
Councilman Ken Petronis
Councilwoman Lisa Bruno
Councilwoman Virginia Whitman
Supervisor Ed Kinowski **6:20 PM****

Also Present: **Sue Cunningham, Town Clerk
Mark Minick, Supt of Highways
James Trainor, Attorney for the Town
Joe Lanaro, Engineer for the Town**

6:00 PM Workshop- Proposed SCWA Connection Project

Deputy Supervisor Baker opened the workshop and turned it over to Engineer Lanaro for presentation.

Engineer Lanaro presented the Town of Stillwater –Saratoga County Water Authority (SCWA) Connection Project to residents who would benefit from the project.

After the brief presentation discussion was held on various topics such as, benefit unit assignment, proposed estimated user rates and water service area properties.

Supervisor Kinowski closed the workshop at 7:05 PM and informed the residents that more workshops would be held followed by a public hearing where residents will have the opportunity to voice whether they are for the proposed SCWA connection project. The workshops and public hearing will be advertised and residents affected will receive letters informing them of workshops/public hearing that are scheduled.

7:00 PM Agenda Meeting

Supervisor Kinowski called the meeting to order and led everyone in the Pledge to the Flag.

Sue Cunningham, Town Clerk took the roll call.

Adoption of Minutes: Motion by Councilwoman Whitman and seconded by Councilman Baker to adopt the minutes of the November 3, 2011 agenda meeting.

Motion carried.

Communications: Town Clerk, Sue Cunningham reported that one communication was received regarding the speed limit reduction request from Grace Moore Rd to Route 9P. A speed reduction of 45 MPH was approved.

Reports

Councilwoman Whitman

Election machines: Councilwoman Whitman reported that the old election machines are being picked up and scrapped.

Community Center: Councilwoman Whitman stated that she would like the doors of communication open when it comes to repairs being done at the center. She does not like seeing surprised vouchers for work without being informed in advanced.

Councilman Baker

Generator: Councilman Baker stated that he would like declare the old generator surplus and put it out to bid.

Motion by Councilman Baker and seconded by Councilwoman Whitman to declare the generator surplus property and put it out to bid. **Motion carried.**

Blockhouse: Councilman Baker reported that the lights are up & ready to go on for the season.

Councilwoman Bruno

Community Center/Breakfast with Santa: Councilwoman Bruno commented that the Community Center inquired if the Town wanted to take over the breakfast & hold a free breakfast with Santa. She suggested that the Town take no action on the breakfast. Discussion was held on the Breakfast with Santa and Town holiday party.

The consensus was for the Town not to get involved with the breakfast and have the holiday party for children on Saturday Dec 17th from 1-3PM.

Festival of Trees: Councilwoman Whitman and Councilman Baker will handle decorating the Town tree.

Supt of Highways (Mark Minick)

Supt Minick reported that street signs are disappearing and asked people to keep a watchful eye open for anything suspicious around street signs.

Supervisor Kinowski

Budget: Supervisor Kinowski reported on the \$15,000 in the small cities loan that has remained idle. It was under the Federal HUD program which has since closed out and all old loans whether in the good or bad have also been closed out. The Town can now utilize the money under the same federal regulations and criteria.

ATV Local Law: Supervisor Kinowski requested a resolution for the next meeting to authorize a public hearing on the proposed local law for January.

Castle Cliff Sewer Amendment: Supervisor Kinowski requested a legal review from the attorney so they can consider a resolution for the business meeting.

Police Union Contract: Supervisor Kinowski stated that they have been working on renewing the Police Union Contract.

Councilwoman Bruno spoke on having a Police Dept vs. going with the County Sheriffs office in regard to cost and services received.

Councilwoman Bruno requested a resolution for the next meeting to hire 2 part time officers for daytime patrol.

Grants: Supervisor Kinowski introduced Judy Wood-Shaw, Village Trustee who applied & received a grant in the amount of \$1800 for emergency management to be used at the community center for emergency purposes only. Trustee Wood-Shaw presented a check to Supervisor Kinowski for \$1800 which is to be used for specific items listed in the grant.

Public Input

John Basile, Village Trustee gave a brief update on the Village water line. He reported the water lines have brought to the tank but not connected, they will be testing pressure and once approve they will take water into the system.

Art G questioned the Town Hall being too small and the Community Center gym floor. Supervisor Kinowski stated that the Town Hall is old where it is becoming uneconomically feasible to care for and would like to have a committee look into the possibility of building a new town hall and as for the gym floor the surface has been repaired but not the understructure.

Art F. inquired if the judges were included in the police budget, questioned the proposed ATV law and asked who pays when a town employee becomes unemployed.

Supervisor Kinowski stated that the judges were not included in the police budget, the court is self sufficient, the Town board was presented with changes by a resident to the present local law insuring ATV users are not bothering neighbors and there is a line item in the budget for unemployment insurance.

Audited Claims

Motion by Councilwoman Whitman and seconded by Councilman Baker to pay the audited claims.

General	#373--#383	\$5842.44
Town Outside	#303--#310	\$24474.31
Highway	#441--#454	\$6043.67
Water	#64--#67	\$608.76

Motion carried.

Motion by Councilman Petronis and seconded by Councilman Baker to adjourn into executive session for contract talks at 8:20 PM. **Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted by

Sue Cunningham
Stillwater Town Clerk