

**A Town Board Workshop was held May 21, 2012, at 6:00PM at Town Hall, 18 Russell Avenue, Ravena, New York**

**PRESENT:** Stephen D. Flach, Supervisor  
Dawn Rogers, Councilwoman  
Thomas A. Boehm, Councilman  
Thomas E. Dolan, Councilman  
Peter E. Masti, Councilman

**ALSO PRESENT:** Diane L. Millious, Town Clerk  
Linda Ziegler, Payroll Clerk  
Albert Deering, Highway Superintendent

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Supervisor Flach opened the Town Board Workshop and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Town Clerk Millious read the Notice of Change of Workshop as follows:

**NOTICE  
TOWN BOARD MEETING CHANGE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Town of Coeymans Town Board regularly scheduled Workshop Meeting on May 22, 2012 has been changed to May 21, 2012 at 6:00p.m., Town Hall, 18 Russell Avenue, Ravena, NY 12143.

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**AGENDA**

- Ravena Rescue Squad
- Employee Handbook
- Discussion of Local Law #1-12
- Police Forfeiture
- Drug Testing Laboratories
- Outdated Surplus Supplies/Equipment
- Highway Roads List

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**DISCUSSIONS**

**Ravena Rescue Squad**

Ms. Ginny Pearson, Bookkeeper and acting President of the Rescue Squad discussed with the Town Board the possibility of potentially becoming a Tax District in the Town of Coeymans as well as concerns with their budget and the way that it currently is. Collectively it was decided that the Town Board should talk with the Attorney for the Town to see where they currently stand, what they need to do and when they have the facts in front of them they can set up a meeting to discuss it.

**Employee Handbook**

Payroll Clerk Ziegler discussed with the Town Board the second draft revision of the Employee Handbook. Collectively it was decided that the Town Board will review it over the next two weeks and move forward with it at the Town Board Meeting on May 29, 2012.

**Proposed Local Law #1-12**

Discussion ensued amongst the Town Board regarding Proposed Local Law #1-12, which will replace the current Landfill Law, which pertains only to Jarvis Road Landfill. Concerns were expressed that it has now been revised and is different from what was originally introduced. Collectively it was decided that it should be discussed with Attorney for the Town Wukitsch and that it would be introduced at the next Town Board Meeting.

**Police Forfeiture**

Discussion ensued amongst the Town Board regarding the need to purchase a police car and the possibility of having Chief of Police Darlington discuss at the next Town Board Meeting the inventory of the cars and using the Forfeiture Account to offset the expense. Collectively it was decided that Councilman Boehm as the Police Liaison would discuss it with Chief Darlington.

**Discussion of Drug Testing Laboratories**

Discussion ensued regarding the drug testing laboratory, Energetics, used by the Police Department and the concern with the same person coming all the time at the same time, which makes for the same people being tested all the time. Collectively it was decided that they should discuss with the Chief making some kind of policy to send those to be tested directly to the lab so that it is more random and the same four people are not being tested all the time.

**Outdated Surplus Supplies/Equipment**

Discussion ensued regarding the surplus equipment and office items stored at the 70 South Main Street building. Collectively it was decided that they should auction what they can and recycle what they can't sell and they should pursue Auctions International.

**Highway Roads List**

Discussion ensued amongst the Town Board and Highway Superintendent Deering regarding the Highway Roads List for roads to be repaired and Councilman Boehm's concern that Cement Plant Road is on the list but Stanton Road was omitted. Collectively it was decided that the anticipated \$143,000.00 in FEMA money should be used to do Stanton Road and that repairs would be made to the bottom of Stanton Road where it was washed away. Discussion also ensued regarding Councilman Boehm's concern with the lack of guide rails along the ditch where it washed out to the shoulder and the possibility of Highway Superintendent Deering looking into putting some up.

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**ADDITIONAL BUSINESS/COMMENTS**

Supervisor Flach stated that he had a couple more items and continued by asking that Councilman Boehm discuss Russell Avenue.

Councilman Boehm stated that the Mayor had indicated that the Village is going to pave Russell Avenue and he suggested that the parking be eliminated at the side of the building and build up a berm.

Discussion ensued amongst the Town Board and Supervisor Flach as to the proposed plans.

Supervisor Flach stated that the Lion's Club has four trees that they want to plant for the Town and two suggestions as to where they plant them are to plant 2 at the end of the point at Town Hall and two at Coeymans Landing by the Memorial.

Collectively the Town Board agreed that it sounded good and that it should be checked into with Parks & Maintenance Supervisor Perry.

Supervisor Flach stated that he has had a lot of inquiries about adding some drop-down links added to the website for things such as the Lion's Club, churches and schools, collectively it was decided that the Town Board is in favor of it and for Councilman Masti to work with I.T.S. on it.

Highway Superintendent Deering asked when they anticipated getting the FEMA money.

Discussion ensued amongst Highway Superintendent Deering and the Town Board and they collectively agreed that Chief Darlington had submitted the paperwork and it should be within a month or so and suggested that they wait a bit and figure all the work together so they gat a better deal on tonnage.

Councilman Boehm stated that he had one more item and it was in regard to the Summer Recreation Program at Pieter B. Elementary, they have hired a Recreational Coordinator and there will be a resolution at the next Town Board Meeting.

Councilman Masti stated that the lock broke to the Community Beautification Building and Parks & Maintenance Supervisor Perry put a new one on and he is not comfortable with people going in and out when he is not there.

Councilman Boehm asked Highway Superintendent Deering if he had any discussion with Ms. Maria Bowers.

Discussed ensued as far as an approach off Greenbush Avenue and the cost.

Supervisor Flach asked if there were any other comments, hearing none he asked for a motion to adjourn.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION**

On motion of Councilman Boehm, seconded by Councilwoman Rogers, the Town Board Meeting was adjourned.

VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

Time – 7:15pm

*Respectfully Submitted,*

**APPROVED:**

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*Diane L. Millious, Town Clerk*