

Minutes
Richford Town Board Meeting July 9, 2013

The Town of Richford Board meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Supervisor Wilcox. All Board members except Councilwoman Brown and Councilman Brown were present. Highway superintendent Mike Holt was present and nine townspeople were also in attendance.

The minutes of the June 13, 2013 Town Board meeting were presented for review. It was asked that several typos be corrected. All approved. Councilwoman Herrick, seconded by Councilman Miller, made a motion to accept the minutes as amended.

The Supervisor's and Town Clerk's reports for June 2013 were presented.

Highway Superintendent Holt gave a report for June 2013. He reported that the Barden Road project is on schedule and it is estimated that it will take two to three weeks to complete. Guide rails are to be installed on July 27th. The Town's old pickup truck has been sold. It was decided due to dollar costs to rent a tamper for use on the Barden Road project instead of purchasing one.

The Justice Court report for June 2013 was presented and shows \$1275.00 being collected in fines. The Code Enforcement and Dog Control reports for June 2013 were presented. A dog control report for March 2013 was also presented.

A Planning Board report for June 2013 was given by Charlie Davis. A statement regarding a discussion John Schwartz had with Delta Engineering about the cost to prepare road use information and laws for the Town of Richford was given to the Board for their perusal. The cost would be approximately \$10,000.00.

Councilwoman Herrick, seconded by Councilman Miller, made a motion to pay the vouchers on Abstract #7 and that the vouchers on the Abstract are the same ones signed by the Board. The General Abstract includes vouchers A135 through A158 amounting to \$19,875.57. The Highway Abstract includes vouchers DA136 through DA153, amounting to \$12,189.24. All approved, vouchers will be paid.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business conducted.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Board asked that the minutes show that they wish to thank the Fire Department, Highway Department and the Berkshire Emergency Squad for their assistance during the July 2, 2013, flooding. They also wish to thank Tina Thurston for all her assistance during the Town Clerk's illness.

Ron Raab, Dog Control Officer, was present and addressed the Board regarding a town-wide dog enumeration. He would charge \$1.50 per dog found.

Supervisor Wilcox made a motion to go into executive session at 8:20 pm to discuss dog control issues with Ron Raab. Executive session adjourned at 8:26 pm. Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilwoman Herrick, made a motion to do a town-wide dog enumeration. All approved.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

David Perry, on behalf of the Highway Employees, asked the Board if any action had been taken on the proposed changes to the expiring contract. Mr. Perry was informed that the Board has been working on the contract and hopes to have some comments ready for the employees to discuss.

Richard Harrington was present and gave a report on REAP. He reported that REAP plans to stay active using volunteers until possibly January 2014

Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilwoman Herrick, made a motion to hold at special meeting at 6:00 pm on July 11, 2013. All approved.

William Stell addressed the Board asking them to consider reimbursing Highway Superintendent Holt for the use of his personal trailer, etc. for the road/bridge work being done on Barden Road.

Dore Karasin again addressed the Board regarding Michaud Road. There was much discussion regarding this matter between the Board and Mr. Karasin. Supervisor Wilcox stated that the Town will plow Michaud Road under normal circumstances but not if such plowing would put anyone in peril.

Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilwoman Herrick, made a motion to adjourn at 9:15 pm.

Judith Thurston
Town Clerk