

ST. JOHN TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
St. John Municipal Building Main Meeting Room
December 16, 2004

Mr. Fryzel called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken with the following members present: Michael Fryzel, President; Jerri Teibel, Vice-President; Gregory Volk, Member; Charles Pearson, Member; Mark Barenie, Member; David Austgen, Attorney; Steve Kil, Town, Manager; and Sherry Sury, Clerk-Treasurer. Also present were Police Chief Fred Frego and Fire Chief Fred Willman.

Approval of minutes of the November 18th, 2004 Executive Session and the November 18th, 2004 Regular Meeting – Mr. Pearson motioned to approve the minutes of the November 18th, 2004 Executive Session and the November 18th, 2004 Regular Meeting. Seconded by Ms. Teibel. Motion unanimously passed.

Old Business – None

New Business

Resolution #04-12-16, adopting the Fiscal Plan for Lake Central School Corporation – Mr. Barenie motioned to adopt Resolution #04-12-16. Seconded by Mr. Pearson. Motion unanimously passed.

Ordinance #1365, Annexation Petition for Lake Central School Corporation – Mr. Pearson motioned to adopt Ordinance #1365. Seconded by Ms. Teibel. Motion unanimously passed.

Ordinance #1369, an ordinance amending the Town of St. John Personnel Policy Manual regarding Vacation and Sick Leave – Mr. Fryzel stated that this ordinance is to change two items: 1) to extend the bank of sick hours from 320 to 400 for all town employees; and 2) to allow all town employees to follow the same vacation guidelines, going from vacation hours to vacation days for all employees. Ms. Teibel motioned to consider Ordinance #1369 on first reading. Seconded by Mr. Pearson. Motion unanimously passed.

Ms. Teibel motioned to adopt to adopt Ordinance #1369. Seconded by Mr. Pearson. Motion unanimously passed.

Ordinance #1370, an ordinance amending the Capital Asset Policy of the Town of St. John – Ms. Sury stated that this is to get all the threshold amounts the same. Mr. Pearson motioned to consider Ordinance #1370 on first reading. Seconded by Mr. Barenie. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Pearson motioned to adopt Ordinance #1370. Seconded by Ms. Teibel. Motion unanimously passed.

Letter of Credit for Stone Gate Subdivision in the amount of \$191,298.55 (favorable recommendation from Plan Commission) – Mr. Pearson motioned to accept the letter of credit in the amount of \$191,298.55. Seconded by Ms. Teibel. Motion unanimously passed.

Release of Letter of Credit for DeYoung Interiors in the amount of \$65,000.00 (favorable recommendation from Plan Commission) – Mr. Pearson motioned to accept the letter of

credit in the amount of \$65,000.00. **Seconded by Ms. Teibel. Motion unanimously passed.**

Consider request for Special Exception for the construction of a Municipal Facility in an R-1 zoning district (favorable recommendation from Board of Zoning Appeals) – Mr. Volk requested that his comments for the record state that he is still opposed to the purchase of the property for several reasons. **Mr. Pearson motioned to approve the special exemption by incorporating the findings of fact by the Board of Zoning Appeals. Seconded by Ms. Teibel. Motion passed with four ayes and one nay by Mr. Volk.**

Resolution #04-12-16A, a resolution of the Town of St. John receiving and approving the petition of taxpaying citizens requesting the leasing of certain facilities, making a determination of need and taking other actions regarding the proposed lease – Ms. Teibel motioned to adopt Resolution #04-12-16A. **Seconded by Mr. Pearson. Motion passed with four ayes and one nay by Mr. Volk.**

Mr. Volk requested to make a few comments on the bond itself; he stated that he believed all the ball fields, along with the park buildings and facilities that would be renovated should be removed from the bond. The bond should focus only on the municipal buildings. He also stated that all the decisions and input came from the department heads and employees and suggested that the public review and determine what the wants and needs are. **Mr. Volk motioned that the Town Council establish a building committee compiled of residents. They would review the final decisions and make the final decisions of the need as requested in the petition they turned in to the council.** Motion died for lack of a second.

Mr. Fryzel stated that they have had public hearings, there has been no remonstrance(s) and he trusts the input of the department heads. He also commented on the need for the new park facilities. Discussion ensued. Items addressed included the possibility of having the park board take out a bond for their needs, property acquisition and the cost constraints of the project. It was stated that it is monetarily advantageous to take out only one general obligation bond for everything. Mr. Austgen explained for clarification that the requirements of law, financing, and purpose for the general obligation bond have been met including the need for the property acquisitions.

Award Contract for installation of the Opticom System – Mr. Kil stated that this is for the installation of the emergency vehicle pre-emption system and new traffic signals on Route 41. **Ms. Teibel motioned to award the contract to Hawk Enterprises in an amount not to exceed \$28,601.40 for the installation of the Opticom System. Seconded by Mr. Barenie. Motion unanimously passed.**

Consider award of Storm Water Projects – Mr. Kil referenced a letter from Robinson Engineering regarding the review of bids for the Joliet Street Storm Sewer Project. **Ms. Teibel motioned to award the bid to St. John Plumbing in the amount of \$86,950.00 for the Joliet Street project. Seconded by Mr. Pearson. Motion unanimously passed.**

Authorization to advertise for bids of Municipal Waste Disposal – Mr. Pearson motioned to authorize the bidding of the waste disposal contract. **Seconded by Ms. Teibel. Motion unanimously passed.**

Ordinance #1371, an ordinance amending the Personnel Policy Manual related to Fire Department Personnel – Mr. Austgen stated that this ordinance is to include the volunteer fire fighters – **Ms. Teibel motioned to consider on first reading Ordinance #1371 pending the**

wording deletion under Section 1, 1.3. (“and sworn members of the Volunteer Fire Department”) **Seconded by Mr. Barenie. Motion unanimously passed.**

Mr. Pearson motioned to adopt Ordinance #1371. Seconded by Ms. Teibel. Motion unanimously passed.

Resolution #04-12-16B, transfer of appropriations for the various funds of the Town of St. John – Mr. Pearson motioned to adopt Resolution #04-12-16B. Seconded by Ms. Teibel. Motion unanimously passed.

Reports & Correspondence

Town Council – None

Clerk-Treasurer – None

Staff – None

Payment of Bills for the Corporation, General APV’s #9008 - #9226 for \$815,721.78 – Mr. Pearson motioned to pay bills #9008 - #9226 in the amount of \$815,721.78. Seconded by Ms. Teibel. Motion passed with four ayes and one nay by Mr. Volk.

Public Comment – None

Adjournment – Mr. Pearson motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Ms. Teibel. Motion unanimously passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Attest:

Sherry P. Sury, Clerk-Treasurer