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TOWN BOARD WORK MEETING  
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Supervisor Louis called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Also attending: Councilwoman McKeon, Councilmen Kuenster, Norris, and Byas, Highway Superintendent Jordan and Tax Collector Stuart Town Clerk Brooks, and 3 members of the public.

Supervisor Louis updated the **agenda for the next Regular Meeting of the Town Board** on April 13. Also, the Board will meet in executive session prior to adjournment for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter. The Board is approving a small abstract, one voucher, totalling \$34.79.

**Bid opening;** sale of used boom mower.

**Bid opening;** parks mowing specs not yet been distributed to potential contractors; may now be distributed \*\*\*

After opening bids the Board may move on to award the contract; it also could be put off to Work Meeting at April 27.

Councilwoman McKeon requested a **website policy** be placed on April 13 agenda; the Website/Technology Committee has looked at policies of adjacent Towns, and New Baltimore currently does not have a written policy. Supervisor thinks Councilwoman McKeon and Norris can list those organizations who are likely to request inclusions and revise wording to allow for events to be posted. Councilman Byas asked whether the Community Luncheons would be included; answer: yes. Supervisor thanked the Committee for these efforts.

**Highmount Road name change:** A problem recently with the 911 response to an emergency request; Coxsackie Ambulance could not find the address and was delayed in getting to the house. Councilman Norris will meet this Wednesday with John Farrell, Director of Emergency Services. Councilman Norris wants to rename street, and hopes to determine a name and gather a petition by the residents. Councilwoman McKeon said there will be no complaints, as there have been problems. In Town law, whenever a name is changed the Town Board authorizes the Town Clerk to notify the County Board of Assessors, County Clerk, County Engineer, and US Post Office.

Councilman Byas and Norris asked to set a Saturday date for **Greene County Sheriff Open House Substation**. Supervisor did call **Assemblyman Tim Gordon**, gave 3 Saturdays 4/11, 5/9, 5/16; Councilman Byas asked for 5/9, 12noon. Councilman Kuenster will write a press release for April 13 meeting.

Councilwoman McKeon asked to discuss **Park Rental**: new Greene County Sheriff 756-3300 substitutes for Highway Supt, remove the year references (2007 becomes " "), also add Joseph Wyche, Sr. to District 1 Park name. Town Clerk will fax reservations to Parks Mowing contractor and to Sheriff.

Supervisor raised to the Board: in 2007, **overnight use policy** included provisions requiring liability insurance, in the past the fire company has used it. He was approached over the weekend, insurance issue because not just firefighters who come for this event. About 12-13 families, there seems to be issue of getting insurance. Would they be able to sign waivers, would Town sponsor this use? Marshall Sterling said the waiver would not get us the kind of protection we were looking for. Supervisor thought alcohol complicates the issue. Supervisor would repeat, I don't think the Town is in a position to do this without liability insurance, but wanted feedback. Councilman Byas asked whether the Town could backcharge them, collecting \$ from them. Even if all sign waivers the Town is still at risk. Supervisor felt the issue was guests of the firefighters. Insurance must be intact for the event.

**Youth Employment application-** summer recreation/parks program will be held the last two weeks of July and first 2 weeks of August, directed by Amy Decker. The rules are relaxed for youth employees, application can ask for age and gender. New on the back: experience, qualifications, qualities and skills.

Councilman Byas asked how about Silver Lake/District 3 Park only for the overnight camping requests; the reason the policy was put into effect was to protect the Town from a problem. A lot of Towns just don't allow it.

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**Free Rabies Clinic**, sponsored by Greene County Public Health, will be held on Wednesday, March 25, 2009 from 6-8pm at the Medway-Grapeville Firehouse, CR 51, Hannacroix.

**Special Election for the 20<sup>th</sup> Congressional District** will be held on Tuesday, March 31, 2009, please vote at your usual polling site.

Ellie aske about 55gal drums over by electric line. Councilman Byas said someone had dropped off -CSX property.

**Newsletter** should be received by end of next week.

With no more from the Board regarding the agenda for the April 13 Regular Meeting, Councilwoman McKeon moved to enter **Executive Session** to discuss a personnel matter, seconded by Councilman Byas.

**Motion Carried Ayes-5 Kuenster, McKeon, Louis, Norris, Byas**  
**Nays-0**

Executive Session began at 8:50 p.m.

Councilman Byas moved to close Executive Session at 9:16 pm, seconded by Councilman Kuenster.

**Motion Carried Ayes-5 Kuenster, McKeon, Louis, Norris, Byas**  
**Nays-0**

With no more from the Board, Councilman Norris moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Byas.

**Motion Carried Ayes-5 Kuenster, McKeon, Louis, Norris, Byas**  
**Nays-0**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

Respectfully,

Janet A. Brooks  
Town Clerk