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Supervisor Louis called the meeting to order at 7:50 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Also attending: Councilwoman McKeon, Councilmen Norris, and Byas, Highway Superintendent Jordan, Tax Collector Stuart, Town Clerk Brooks, and 3 members of the public.

Supervisor Louis updated the Board for the next Regular Meeting. Councilman Byas apologized for his lateness.

AGENDA FOR REGULAR MEETING

New York State Attorney General's office will present **Project Sunlight**, a governmental information website; New Baltimore is one of two Towns in Greene County who will receive this presentation this summer.

Supervisor Louis reviewed his expectation of authorization by the Town Board to go out to **bid for demolition and debris removal** on the **McDevitt** property, with bids due back prior to August Town Board meeting. August 1, 2009 was the compliance date given to property owner McDevitt.

The Town Board will review reports of the Town's **Planning Board** and **Zoning Board of Appeals** regarding the impacts of the Town's **zoning and subdivision regulations** passed in November, 2008.

Councilwoman McKeon was unable to attend this meeting for health reasons; she reviewed information regarding **Workplace Violence Prevention** at the June Regular Meeting. There is a New York State Law mandate to which public sector employers are required to adhere; **New York State Labor Law 27B** mandates the development and implementation of programs. With less than 20 fulltime employees a manual is not required; the Town is required to do risk evaluation, training, and education. Supervisor learned of this requirement at February Association of Towns, the law took effect in 2007, and the NYS Department of Labor was approached for free help in satisfying this requirement with no success; the Town Board is now looking at options to be in compliance with this law. Public Sector HR Consultants have performed this work in 30 other municipalities (and Greene County) and have submitted a proposal for a Workplace Risk Evaluation that includes an examination of past incidents, review of occupational and industry illness law, employee surveys, building surveys, and the development of recommendations to mitigate any identified risk factors. There would be one session for training of employees of 1.5 hours; information about the law, Town's commitment to prevention, how to report incidents, how and when incidents are investigated, and a review of policy. The proposed cost presented is \$1300. Councilwoman McKeon felt that since there is a necessity to comply with law, in terms of providing training, and it has been determined that it is not possible to do free of charge by New York State, then it will come before Town Board in July for authorization.

Councilman Byas asked if Towns could be locked together for training. Answer: unknown, there may be thrift by combining but the evaluation would be separate for each Town, one location would require that the offices close. Would part-timers be included? Supervisor will reach out to adjacent Towns.

Councilman Norris asked what the time frame was, and would there be additional fees, like travel expenses?

Supervisor directed attention to letter from **John Reagan**, Environmental Manager at **LaFarge Cement**, who has invited anyone on the Town Board to take a plant tour and who has been invited to August 2009 Regular Meeting.

A letter from **New Baltimore Reformed Church** was received by Highway Superintendent Jordan regarding a July 25 **Community Block Party**, closing off Church Street in the hamlet in a manner similar to their anniversary celebration in 2008, from

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3:00-8:00 pm. Traffic cones were used to close off Church Street. The Church will also notify the two Fire Departments in the Town.

Supervisor asked Councilman Byas to look into the **Greene County Youth Fair** Board's request for funding for this year's fair.

Town Clerk Brooks stated that the Highway crew was notifying residents, by delivered letter, of the resurfacing of the northernmost 1 mile of **Alcove Road** on Thursday, June 25, 2009.

Councilman Byas stated that the **Business Appreciation Breakfast** would be held at the Water's Edge, Shady Harbor Marina, on Wednesday, June 24, 2009 from 8:30am to approximately 10:30am. The current count is 18 without Town Board members attending.

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

Motion Carried Ayes- 3 Louis, Norris, Byas
 Nays- 0
 Absent- 1 McKeon

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 pm.

Respectfully,

Janet A. Brooks
Town Clerk