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**MINUTES OF THE FISCAL AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF THURMAN HELD AUGUST 14, 2012 AT THE TOWN HALL, 311 ATHOL ROAD, ATHOL NEW YORK, COMMENCING AT 6:30 P.M...**

**PRESENT:     MRS. EVELYN WOOD, SUPERVISOR**  
**MR. CHARLES BILLS, COUNCILMAN**  
**MR. LEON GALUSHA, COUNCILMAN**  
**MR. AL VASAK, COUNCILMAN (arrived at 7:12 pm)**  
**MR. ROBERT HITCHCOCK JR., COUNCILMAN**

Also in attendance: **Highway Superintendent Patrick Wood**

Recording secretary: **Cynthia R. Hyde, Town Clerk**

**FISCAL MEETING**: The Town Board reviewed all claims.

**BOARD MEETING**: The regular town board meeting was called to order by **Evelyn Wood, Supervisor.**

**PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

**ROLL CALL**

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**: On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilman Hitchcock**, the minutes from the July 10, 2012 regular meeting were approved.

**MOTION CARRIED**: **4 AYES ~ WOOD, HITCHCOCK, GALUSHA, BILLS**

**CLAIMS**: On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilman Bills**, payment of vouchers #2012-508 to 2012-557 for a total of \$41,803.91 was approved.

**MOTION CARRIED**: **4 AYES ~ WOOD, HITCHCOCK, GALUSHA, BILLS**

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**RESOLUTION # 24 ERROR:**

On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilman Hitchcock**, the town board agreed to amend Resolution #24 of May 08, 2012 to reflect a cap of \$20,000.00.

**MOTION CARRIED: 4 AYES ~ WOOD, HITCHCOCK, GALUSHA, BILLS**

**LETTERS:** None

**BIDS:** It was decided to advertise unsold items (from the July 10, 2012 meeting), with a minimum bid on the Gradeall of \$1000. 00 these bids will be opened at 7:00 pm at the September regular meeting.

**BLACK FLY PRESENTATION:**

**Kathy Vanselow** gave a presentation and a proposal regarding the eradication of black flies.

**REPORTS:**

Balance sheets and operating statements as of July 31, 2012 were submitted to the Town Board and the Town Clerk.

Reports were given by the following officials:

**Councilman Bills** – Highway contract

**Supervisor Wood** – Supervisor's report

**LUMBER:**

**Martin Lumber** offered to donate lumber to finish gable ends on the pavilion. On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilman Hitchcock**, the town board agreed to accept this offer.

**MOTION CARRIED: 4 AYES ~ WOOD, HITCHCOCK, GALUSHA, BILLS**

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**FILE CABINETS:**

The **Thurman Station** association asked to use some second hand file cabinets. On a motion by **Councilman Hitchcock**, seconded by **Councilman Bills**, the town board gave permission to use the file cabinets.

**MOTION CARRIED: 4 AYES ~ WOOD, HITCHCOCK, GALUSHA, BILLS**

**Councilman Vasak** joins the meeting at 7:12 pm.

**REPORT:**

**Councilman Vasak** – Food pantry, gleaning and Highway.

**Gleaning:** **Councilman Vasak** requested that children not be brought to gleaning unless absolutely necessary.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**SUBDIVISION REQUEST:**

On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilman Vasak**, the town board granted **Cecil Voplus's** subdivision request provided it meets approval by the **APA**.

**5 AYES ~ WOOD, HITCHCOCK, GALUSHA, BILLS, VASAK**

**ZONING:**

**RESOLUTION # 37:**

Whitefield Farm requests a letter stating there is no zoning against a bird processing facility in the Town of Thurman. On a motion by **Councilman Hitchcock**, seconded by **Councilman Vasak**, the town board agreed to issue a resolution stating there is no zoning against bird processing facilities in the Town of Thurman.

**Resolution to Send Letter**

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*WHEREAS Whitefield's Farm is seeking to expand its operations and has requested a letter from the Town regarding the Town's requirements concerning the operation of processing facilities,*

*WHEREAS the Town of Thurman has no land use regulations regarding the operation of processing facilities, and*

*WHEREAS it is desirable for small businesses in the community to grow and succeed, be it*

*RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Thurman directs the Supervisor to prepare and sign a letter stating that the Town of Thurman has no regulations regarding the operation of a processing facility.*

**5 AYES ~ WOOD, HITCHCOCK, GALUSHA, BILLS, VASAK**

**DISCUSSION ABOUT:**

**Bridges**

**Noise complaints**

**Thurman Ems** requested a **Thurman EMS Board** to **Thurman Town Board** meeting at the Thurman EMS building. A meeting was set for September 5, 2012 at 7:00 pm.

**ACO:**

**ACO Dexter Baker** suggested doing dog licenses at the Thurman rabies clinic on August 18 and suggested amendments to the animal control law. The Town Board decided not to offer dog Licenses at the August 18, 2012 rabies clinic and amendments to the animal control law were tabled.

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**OCCUPANCY TAX COMMITTEE REQUEST:** On a motion by **Councilman Bills**, seconded by **Councilman Vasak**, the town board approved **\$540.00** to the Occupancy Tax Committee for an ad in a souvenir book.

**5 AYES ~ WOOD, HITCHCOCK, GALUSHA, BILLS, VASAK**

Discussion ensued regarding Occupancy Tax Committee meetings.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**SALT:** Discussion about relocating salt storage. DEC wants the salt moved next year or fines may be imposed.

**TRUCK BOXES:** There was discussion regarding truck boxes. On a motion by **Councilman Vasak**, seconded by **Councilman Galusha** the town board accepted a bid of **\$53,192.00** from **Loughberry Mfg. Corp.** for 2 truck boxes. **Highway Superintendent Patrick Wood** said that **Loughberry** was willing to provide both boxes this year, bill one this year 2012 and one next year 2013.

**4 AYES ~ WOOD, HITCHCOCK, GALUSHA, VASAK**

**1 NAY ~ BILLS**

**LINERS:** On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilman Vasak**, the town board requested bids on liners for the truck boxes.

**5 AYES ~ WOOD, HITCHCOCK, GALUSHA, BILLS, VASAK**

**DISCUSSION PERTAINING TO:**

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## **Budget**

### **White space**

#### **RESOLUTION #38:**

##### **Resolution to Accept Grant**

*BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Thurman accepts a State Grant in the amount of \$261,000 for River Road reconstruction at the Patterson Creek crossing and additional funding in the amount of \$14,562 for Dippikill Road, and be it further*

*RESOLVED that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to sign any and all grant agreements relating to this grant.*

On a motion by **Councilman Vasak**, seconded by **Councilman Bills**,

**5 AYES ~ WOOD, HITCHCOCK, GALUSHA, BILLS, VASAK**

#### **RESOLUTION #39:**

##### **Resolution Concerning SEQRA**

*BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Thurman hereby declares itself the Lead Agency under SEQRA in the replacement of 2 eight foot culverts on River Road at the Patterson Creek crossing with an pipe arch bridge, and be it further*

*RESOLVED that the Town has evaluated and classified the project as a Type 2 Action under SEQRA, part 617.5 subsection C,2 because the project is a reconstruction and replacement of an existing roadway structure and does not require any further action under SEQRA, and be it further*

*RESOLVED that compliance with DEC Regulations will be covered by the Town of Thurman General Work Permit.*

On a motion by **Councilman Hitchcock**, seconded by **Councilman Vasak**,

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**5 AYES ~ WOOD, HITCHCOCK, GALUSHA, BILLS, VASAK**

**RESOLUTION #40:**

**Resolution in Support of Application to Rename Mountain**

*WHEREAS Mrs. Lillie Cameron is making an application to the U.S. Board on Geographic Names to correctly identify the location of Jimmy's Peak, and*

*WHEREAS Mrs. Cameron has assembled much evidence to support her application, and*

*WHEREAS James Cameron was an important and influential person in the history of the Town of Thurman and assisted in the earliest development of our Town, and*

*WHEREAS Mrs. Cameron has requested a resolution from the Town Board in support of her efforts, be it*

*RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Thurman supports the application of Mrs. Cameron's application to identify Jimmy's Peak which is an important feature in the history of our Town.*

On a motion by **Councilman Hitchcock**, seconded by **Councilman Galusha**,

**5 AYES ~ WOOD, HITCHCOCK, GALUSHA, BILLS, VASAK**

**RESOLUTION #41:**

On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilman Hitchcock**, the Town Board approved Resolution # 41, to adjust the 2012 budget. See attached

**5 AYES ~ WOOD, HITCHCOCK, GALUSHA, BILLS, VASAK**

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

**Mary Eddy** asked about FEMA money.

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilman Vasak**, the town board went **into** executive session at 8:15 pm to discuss the appointment of an individual.

**5 AYES ~ WOOD, HITCHCOCK, GALUSHA, BILLS, VASAK**

On a motion by **Councilman Vasak**, seconded by **Councilman Galusha**, the town board **came out of** executive session at 8:47 pm with no action being taken.

**5 AYES ~ WOOD, HITCHCOCK, GALUSHA, BILLS, VASAK**

**ADJOURNMENT:** On a motion by **Councilman Galusha**, seconded by **Councilman Hitchcock**, the meeting was adjourned at 8:48 pm.

**MOTION CARRIED: 5 AYES ~ WOOD, HITCHCOCK, GALUSHA, BILLS, VASAK**

**Respectfully Submitted:**

**Cynthia R. Hyde  
Town clerk  
August 27, 2012**

**Attached: Resolution # 41**



TOWN OF THURMAN  
RESOLUTION # 4/ OF 2012

Resolution introduced by:  
Seconded by:

*Leon Galusha*  
*Robert Hitchcock*

Supervisor	Evelyn Wood	Yea <u>X</u>	Nay <u>    </u>
Councilman	Charles Bills	Yea <u>X</u>	Nay <u>    </u>
Councilman	Al Vasak	Yea <u>X</u>	Nay <u>    </u>
Councilman	Leon Galusha	Yea <u>X</u>	Nay <u>    </u>
Councilman	Robert Hitchcock	Yea <u>X</u>	Nay <u>    </u>

Resolution to Adjust 2012 Budget

**HIGHWAY FUND**

Increase Expenses

DA5110.4	General Repairs Contractual	50,000.00	
DA5112.2	Capital Improvement	60,000.00	

Decrease Expenses

DA5132.2	Machinery- Equipment		10,000.00
DA5130.4	Machinery - Contractual		10,000.00
DA5142.1	Snow Removal- Personnel		10,000.00
DA5142.4	Snow Removal - Contractual		10,000.00
DA9060.8	Medical Insurance		15,000.00

Increase Revenue

DA4960	Federal Aid Emergency		55,000.00
		\$ 110,000.00	\$ 110,000.00

**GENERAL FUND**

Increase Expenses

A1410.4	Town Clerk - Contractual	400.00	
A3510.4	Dog Control - Contractual	600.00	

Decrease Expenses

A1410.2	Town Clerk - Equipment		400.00
A3510.2	Dog Control - Equipment		200.00
A1660.4	Central Storeroom Contractual		400.00
		\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00

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