

Minutes of Germantown Town Board Meeting, held March 20, 2006 at 7:30pm at the Germantown Town Hall.

Present: Deputy Supervisor, Jason Clum
Councilman, Anthony Cidras
Councilman, Patsy Zanchelli
Councilwoman, Graceann Lamberta
Deputy Highway Superintendent, Joe Hull
Town Lawyer, Jason Shaw

Not Present: Supervisor, Roy Brown
Councilwoman, Joan Snyder
Highway Superintendent, Rich Jennings

Recorded by: Town Clerk, Charlene Diehl

Press: Debora Gilbert, The Independent

The Deputy Supervisor led the Pledge to the Flag at 7:30pm.

Motion made by Councilman Cidras and seconded by Councilwoman Lamberta to approve the previous month's minutes, with a correction - all in agreement, none opposed.

The Deputy Supervisor noted that a Budget Status Report has been filed with the Clerk's office.

Motion made by Councilman Zanchelli to approve the abstracts for the audited bills and was seconded by Councilman Cidras, with all in favor and none opposed.

Resident Martin Overrington provided the board with a brochure about trash burning which is a concern in the town.

Old Business

The Technology Committee gave a presentation on the Germantown web site, which is currently in development.

The Sidewalk Committee, represented by Bruce Bohnsack, gave a brief update of where the project stands in terms of money committed and money needed to complete the project to specification. They propose splitting the project into two phases, and with enough money to begin Phase 1, look to the Board for approval.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Lamberta to accept Volmer as engineers of the project and to approve Phase 1, with a second by Councilman Cidras. All in favor, none opposed.

Councilman Zanchelli: Aye

The Comprehensive Committee also presented some preliminary information gleaned from the surveys that were sent to the town residents, with a 43% return rate. The primary concern of residents is preserving the rural character of the town. A meeting scheduled for April 2 will present a more detailed report on the survey findings and all are welcome to attend.

There will be a Keep Farming Program on March 30th at 7:00pm at the Clermont Academy on Rte. 9, part of a grant of which Germantown, Livingston and Clermont are involved in.

New Business

Resident Rick Jason presented a basketball court proposal to the board. It would be a multi-use facility with plans for a skating and skateboarding portion. There is an allotment of monies turned over to the town from Wheels and Racquets, and that money would be used to begin the project.

Motion made by Councilman Zanchelli to purchase a water tank for the Highway Department and seconded by Councilman Cidras. It is a 1,000 gallon plastic tank that the highway crew will set up themselves and use for street cleaning, etc.
Councilwoman Lamberta: Aye

Deputy Supervisor Clum noted:

- bids are being accepted on the town highway truck until the April board meeting;
- there is no contract yet with the Highway workers and the union;
- town board meetings are the 3rd Monday of the month at 7:30pm

Motion to adjourn made by Councilman Zanchelli and seconded by Councilwoman Lamberta; meeting adjourned at 8:40 with all in favor, none opposed.

Respectfully submitted,