

PERINTON TOWN BOARD MEETING
1350 Turk Hill Road, Fairport, NY 14450
Wednesday, October 8, 2008

PRESENT:	James E. Smith	Supervisor
	Patricia S. Knapp	Councilperson
	David C. Glossner	Councilperson
	Carolyn H. Saum	Councilperson
	Joseph H. LaFay	Councilperson

ALSO PRESENT: Robert Place, Esq., Town Attorney; Thomas C. Beck, Commissioner of Public Works; Kevin Spacher, Finance Director; James A. Donahue, Commissioner, Recreation & Parks; Susan C. Roberts, Town Clerk; T. C. Lewis, Planning Board.

Supervisor Smith called the meeting to order at 8:00 pm and introduced the Board and staff present.

Councilperson Saum made a motion, seconded by Councilperson Knapp, that the minutes of the Town Board meeting of September 24, 2008 be approved as submitted by the Town Clerk.

Ayes: Smith, Knapp, Glossner, Saum, LaFay
Nays: None
Unanimously approved.

PUBLIC HEARING
PROPOSED 2009 TOWN OF PERINTON BUDGET

Supervisor Smith opened the Public Hearing and asked the Clerk for proof of publication and affidavit of posting. Proof of publication was given in the Fairport ER Post on September 24, 2008; affidavit of posting was also September 24, 2008.

Supervisor Smith thanked the Department Heads for their input during the budget process and Finance Director Spacher for all his help in preparing the 2009 budget.

An informational meeting on the 2009 Town of Perinton budget was held at the Town Board meeting on September 24, 2008. Tonight's meeting is to again present the budget and receive comments from the public.

A summary of the 2009 proposed budget was distributed to those present. The 2009 budget calls for a rate per thousand increase for the Village of Fairport residents from \$1.25 to \$1.30, an increase of \$.05 per thousand. The increase in the Town rate for residents outside the Village of Fairport will be from \$1.60 to \$ 1.77, an increase of \$.17 per thousand. Supervisor Smith explained that, in real terms, considering the recent revaluation of property in the Town of Perinton, the increase for the average homeowner in the Village of Fairport would be \$20.50; it would be \$41.26 for the average homeowner outside the village. He said that, while showing a slight increase, the Town of Perinton taxes will still be among the lowest in Monroe County.

Supervisor Smith explained that there were four major factors influencing the Town budget: financing costs for the DPW Redevelopment project, fuel costs, highway materials costs and salt costs.

The DPW redevelopment project is 75% completed. The cost will be less than budgeted and more of the expense has been covered by capital reserve funds than anticipated, so the amount to be borrowed is less than expected. However, there will be bonding to cover the remaining expenses. Fuel costs for gasoline and diesel have

increased for the Town as they have for town residents. Highway materials are petroleum based and costs, therefore, have increased dramatically in 2008, as have salt expenses.

The Supervisor reviewed the highway maintenance schedule. He said the Board decided that, in the long term, it was fiscally more prudent to continue to maintain town roads at their current schedule than to allow more time between upgrades. If the scheduled maintenance were postponed the roads would deteriorate further, making them more expensive to repair. The current 20 year cycle allows the Town to plan carefully and spend the least amount for the best results.

A man in the audience asked whether the Town shared any facilities with other government entities. Supervisor Smith said the new salt barn is used by the Town, the Village, the school district and BOCES.

T. C. Lewis, 14 Southcross Trail, asked how the amount for the fuel increase had been determined. Commissioner Beck said he had used current costs, then estimated a slightly higher amount, approximating the 2008 costs, to determine the 2009 costs.

Mr. Lewis asked if the bonds were already sold for the DPW Redevelopment project. Finance Director Spacher said they were not. He said that the Town can renew the existing Bond Anticipation Notes (BANs) if necessary. Mr. Spacher said that the BANs could be renewed for up to five years, allowing time for the current economic climate to improve.

Mr. Lewis had other financial questions which Mr. Spacher answered.

A man in the audience asked about fuel costs - did the Town pool its purchases. Commissioner Beck said that fuel was purchased from State contract. The man asked about salting. Commissioner Beck said that the trucks were equipped with sensors which determined the best rate at which to salt, depending on the weather, temperature and road conditions. He said the Town used less salt than it had in the past and was trying salt substitutes. The Commissioner said that Perinton was a hilly community and therefore had many roads which needed to be salted more than if they were flat.

The man asked about the pedestrian bridge over the canal near Cobb's Lane. Mr. Beck said construction was scheduled for late 2009. He said that much of the funding was from a federal grant with Perinton's share coming largely from in-kind services.

A man in the audience asked about the Town's capital reserve funds. Supervisor Smith said that the goal of the Town is to continue to have a stable tax rate. This is accomplished by setting aside money in capital reserve funds to cover unusual expenditures or anticipated large expenses such as new equipment, road repair or sidewalk construction.

There being no further questions from the audience, and all those wishing to be heard having been heard, the Public Hearing was closed.

Supervisor Smith said that the Town Board would vote on the proposed budget at the October 24, 2007

LEVY OF DELINQUENT PAYMENTS 2009 TOWN TAXES

Supervisor Smith said that the Board was in receipt of a memo from the Town Clerk listing properties which were delinquent in paying for maintenance services provided by the Town. He asked the Board to approve the levy of those delinquent amounts on the 2009 Town of Perinton tax bills.

A motion was made by Councilperson Knapp, seconded by Councilperson Saum, that, pursuant to Article 15 of Town Law of the State of New York, bills 90 days or more in arrears be levied and collected in a special ad valorem levy on Town tax bills, and that the following properties be assessed for the delinquent amounts owed the Town:

<u>Address</u>	<u>Tax map number</u>	<u>Services performed</u>	<u>Amount owed</u>
245 Ayrault Road	165.14-2-15	Clean-up, trash removal lawn mowing	\$860.68
261 Loud Road	180.02-1-42	Clean-up lawn mowing	\$451.00
120 Midvale Drive	152.06-1-15	Secure building, repairs	\$10,379.94
165 Tilegate Glen	153.56-1-18	Secure building	\$1,304.19

Ayes: Smith, Knapp, Glossner, Saum, LaFay

Nays: None

Unanimously approved

**APPROVE MEMBERSHIP CHANGES
BUSHNELL'S BASIN FIRE ASSOCIATION**

A motion was made by Councilperson Glossner, seconded by Councilperson LaFay, that the following changes in the membership of the Bushnell's Basin Fire Association be approved:

Resident Active Firefighter

Cory Gavette
Fencewood Lane
Fairport, NY 14450

Roland Massaad
1 Green Valley Road
Pittsford, NY 14534

A motion was made by Councilperson Saum, seconded by Councilperson LaFay, that the reports from the Finance Director, Town Clerk and the Building Department for the month of September be approved.

Ayes: Smith, Knapp, Glossner, Saum, LaFay

Nays: None

Unanimously approved

There being no further business before the Board and no further questions from the audience, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan C. Roberts
Town Clerk