

State of New York  
County of Fulton  
Town of Caroga

Minutes a Caroga Town Board work session held Wednesday March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at the municipal building located at 1840 State Highway #10 at 7:00 pm with the following persons in attendance by Roll Call:

Supervisor Robert Sullivan - Here  
Council Member Anthony Sturchio - Here  
Council Member John Glenn - Here  
Council Member Beth Morris - Here  
Council Member Jeremy Manning – Absent

There was one member of the public in attendance.

Following the pledge of allegiance Supervisor Sullivan made a motion to go into an executive session to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation. Council Member Morris seconded the motion. All board members were in favor of the motion.

At 7:26 pm Council Member Glenn made a motion to exit from the executive session. Council Member Sturchio seconded the motion. All board members were in favor of the motion.

Council Member Sturchio told Justin to get the printer for Supervisor Sullivan he stated that for \$50.00 he will come and set it up. It is a laser - black and white.

As a result of the executive session Supervisor Sullivan stated the board is going to make an offer to a person for the code job and if he accepts the board will have to meet and make a resolution to hire him. It was noted that Jennifer may only be here for a couple more weeks. She may take time off to visit her father. After that the campsite has a week long introduction that she has to attend.

The board would like him to start ASAP. The Supervisor did not want to wait until the next board meeting to make a resolution to hire him. Someone from the board will talk to the applicant tomorrow. Then another meeting can be set. The clerk noted the board can set a meeting and as long as notification is done through due diligence - it would be OK. If he accepts the board can meet to appoint him.

The board set Friday April 1<sup>st</sup> at 2 pm for their next meeting. The applicant does not need to be here. Only a quorum is necessary.

Supervisor Sullivan made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Morris seconded the motion.

The board decided to discuss the garbage truck to be purchased. Mrs. Hillier will be asked to look for bonding for the truck. The cost is approximately \$145,000.00. It is hoped that we will have funding information at the April 13<sup>th</sup> board meeting.

Supervisor Sullivan asked Mrs. Hillier for a survey map of the 113 acres behind the firehouse that Mr. Putman talks about having logged.

Supervisor Sullivan may have more items for the agenda.

Council Member Morris met with Jennifer Blowers about the summer recreation program. They had a lot of the same ideas. This has not been structured in years. There have been a lot of complaints. They talked about having a schedule Monday through Friday. Not hourly but some structure. Now they do crafts here and there and go to the beach. They want to revamp the whole program. A new place to go on a rain date was suggested. Council Member Morris will contact Mr. Ruberti at the school. The kids do make a mess so the supervisors will have to make sure the room is cleaned up.

Council Member Glenn noted at one time they used town hall gym. Council Member Morris stated "We can't let them in there." For one thing the windows to Sherman's are in there Supervisor Sullivan noted. "The air quality - after walking in there for that October meeting...." Supervisor Sullivan laughs.

Council Member Morris wanted to talk to the board first before talking to Ms. Simonds. She was unsure how she would react to a total revamp. She wants to have her draw up a schedule of events from day to day. A lot will depend on if we get an Aquatics Director.

Off topic... Jen gave Supervisor Sullivan verbiage for the sign at Sherman's that they use at the campsite which will make the town less responsible. Council Member Morris stated "No Lifeguard on duty no swimming allowed."

The summer youth program starts right after the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Applications are sent home from the school. Jennifer recommended that the applications need to go to the school the end of May and the parents have until June 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> to get them back in. Lake association can be contacted to reach out to the summer residents. That way the town can figure how many councilors need to be hired. "We are just paying too many of them for the amount of kids that are coming to the program."

Council Member Glenn asked if the kids come from out of town. Council Member Morris stated there could be summer resident's kids. She did not know the population really - She no longer has kids in the program. Is it mostly year round kids? The clerk stated grandkids, niece's nephews of summer residents... Council Member Glenn thought there were more summer residents children involved than our school kids.

Council Member Morris noted Rachel does not want to be the aquatics director. Council Member Glenn wondered if we should put the changes in place next year. Council Member Morris noted last year we had 35 kids. According to the state we need 12 kids to one councilor

on site. When you go on water it is different and it depends on the ages of the kids for the kids to counselor ratio. We need to find out if Rachael is on board for the changes first. Then go from there.

Council Member Glenn was in favor of a fact finding mission this year for the program. The clerk stated there should be attendance and application records for the board to review. They should be on site but Rachael may have the paperwork at home so she can begin working on it.

Council Member Morris will approach her with the idea that the board wants a more structured summer program. Not just the kids running around in the park and paying 13 – 14 people for 30 – 40 kids. Having a schedule like 9 -11 a craft one day. The next day is a trip; the kids had a blast on a fishing trip to Moffitt's Beach a few years ago. Having a set lunch hour was discussed. We don't want to complain about the director but do want a more structured program. Mrs. Blowers is nervous about sending her kids – on a beach day she has seen the staff have their backs to the water.

Council Member Sturchio offered to supervise or look in on the program when it is running. Council Member Manning was a teacher. He noted in the past that there are several retired teachers in town who may want to engage with the program. Going on our hiking trails was a suggested activity.

The kids need to clean up after themselves. They can be responsible and help out.

Council Member Glenn asked if the Highway Supervisor has said anymore about putting up jersey barriers on the shore road. One of his patients asked him today about it. They think it is a great idea. The clerk keeps bringing up the idea to him.

The highway department will be asked to get the Ferris wheel seats out of the Sherman's Building. Council Member Manning has the key.

The board wants to follow up with Attorney Ferlazzo about changes to the Junk Law.

At 8:19 Council Member Glenn made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Sturchio seconded the motion. All board members were in favor of the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda M. Gilbert RMC, CMC  
Caroga Town Clerk