

At 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 14, 2004 Town Supervisor Gordon Ireland called to order the meeting of the Spafford Town Board. Councilors Fred Chappell, Billy Vinzant, Jeff Ireland, and Joyce Barnett; Town Clerk Lisa Valletta, Highway Superintendent Carl Wiers, and Accountant Thomas Chartrand were present.

Supervisor Ireland invited Mr. Jerome Schinaman and Mr. Henry Leubner, representatives of Borodino Fire Department, to speak. Mr. Leubner explained the Borodino Fire Department will be placing an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) at the Spafford Town Hall. The placement of the AED requires a Public Access Defibrillation agreement. This agreement requires the signature of a physician and a member of the Town Board. Training and annual refresher courses will be provided by the Borodino Fire Department.

Mr. Steve Thayer, Town of Spafford Sub Division/Planning Board chairperson, spoke to the Town Board regarding a need for an engineering review of the sub division plans for Five Mile Point. Mr. Thayer contacted six firms for quotes on the project, only Mr. Tom Holbrook was willing to quote the project.

**RESOLUTION #15-2004**

**WHEREAS**, a plan of sub division of a property located on Five Mile Point in the Town of Spafford has been received by the Town of Spafford Sub Division/Planning Board and,

**WHEREAS**, an engineering review is needed for the application for sub division to proceed and,

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Spafford has previously borne the cost of the engineering review and,

**WHEREAS**, quotes were requested from six engineering firms and,

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Tom Holbrook was the only engineer to submit a quote and,

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Steve Thayer, chairperson of the Town of Spafford Sub Division/Planning Board recommends Mr. Holbrook be authorized to conduct the review,

**NOW THEREFORE**, on a motion made by Town Supervisor Gordon Ireland and seconded by Councilor Bill Vinzant,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that Mr. Holbrook is authorized to conduct a review of the Five Mile Point sub division plan upon final release from Mr. Thayer. The cost of said review is not to exceed \$2,000.00.

Gordon Ireland	aye	Billy Vinzant	aye
Fred Chappell	aye	Jeff Ireland	aye
Joyce Barnett	aye		

I, Lisa M. Valletta, Clerk of the Town of Spafford, County of Onondaga, State of New York, do hereby certify that the foregoing was duly adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Spafford, County of Onondaga, State of New York, at their regular monthly meeting held this 14<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2004, a quorum being present.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of my office.

**DRAFT**

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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Lisa M. Valletta, Town Clerk of the Town of Spafford

A complaint was made that during a meeting at the Grange building, flashlights were seen in the now empty house located at 1865 East Lake Road. The individuals in the house were firemen, inspecting the property to determine if it would be appropriate for fire practice.

There was a discussion of the plans for the house, whether to raze the building or preserve a possible historic structure. Councilor Barnett would like the Town to hire Carl Stearns of Crawford & Stearns to look at the building. Councilor Vinzant made a motion to engage the services of Crawford & Stearns to inspect the building. Councilor Barnett seconded the motion. Supervisor Ireland stated he would support the motion if a request for pro bono work from Crawford & Stearns was made. No vote was taken on the motion. Councilor Barnett made a motion to allocate \$200.00 for Crawford & Stearns to do a walk through of the building. No second was made on the motion.

A motion to allocate \$1,000.00 for Crawford & Stearns to view the building was made by Councilor Vinzant and seconded by Councilor Barnett. The motion PASSED - AYES -3, NAYS - 2. Voting aye - Chappell, Vinzant, and Barnett. Voting nay - G. Ireland and J. Ireland.

**Bills**

The following bills were presented for approval, (Machinery bills are included in the Highway bills):

<b>FUND</b>	<b>VOUCHER #'S</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>MOTION</b>	<b>SECOND</b>	<b>CARRIED</b>
General	279 – 299 & 301 - 327	\$12,318.01	Vinzant	Barnett	aye
Highway	171-199	\$83,188.48	Ireland	Chappell	aye

**SAHS & Town of Spafford “Lease” Meeting**

Supervisor Ireland requested a meeting to negotiate the proposal for lease of the grange building be scheduled next week. He proposed the meeting be held either Wednesday, October 20<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m. or Thursday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at 1:30 p.m. Supervisor Ireland will contact the town attorney regarding his schedule. Supervisor Ireland asked if there were any updates from Crawford & Stearns following the September meeting. The priority list remains the same. There was a discussion of the plans for repairs and corrections of the grange.

**Southern Hills Preservation Corporation**

Mr. Hal Brown, a representative for the Board of Directors of Southern Hills Preservation Corporation, distributed a letter from the Board President to the Town Board. He read the first paragraph of the letter to the Board. . .

*“The Southern Hills Preservation Corporation is a community organization that provides housing services to the elderly and low/moderate income residents of southern Onondaga County. S.H.P.C. is seeking contributions from the towns in our service area to help us deliver services and programs to those in need. In past years, Spafford has generously donated \$500 to our operation. While the demand for our services continues to grow, financial assistance from other sources has declined. We would appreciate an increase in your contribution level. Any donation is greatly appreciated.*

Mr. Brown reminded the Town Board members that the past donation of the Town of Spafford has been \$500.00 and he is hopeful of an increase in that amount. Mr. Brown summarized the many services provided by S.H.P.C. He explained the contributions from the Towns covers administrative costs. The grant monies received by S.H.P.C. must be used for the services provided by S.H.P.C. Mr. Brown also requested a resident

from Spafford consider joining the S.H.P.C. Board. A notice will be placed in the Town newsletter for interested residents to contact Mr. Brown.

**Town Supervisor' September 2004 Report & Statement**

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Mr. Thomas Chartrand presented the Town Supervisor's Report & Statement for September 2004 for the review of the Town Board members. He called attention to the fact that the Highway budget will be tight due to the flooding in August. A motion to accept the Town Supervisor's Report & Statement for September 2004 as presented was made by Councilor Vinzant and seconded by Councilor J. Ireland. The motion PASSED - AYES -5, NAYS - 0. Voting aye – G. Ireland, Chappell, Vinzant, J. Ireland, and Barnett.

**Budget Transfers**

Mr. Chartrand recommended the following budget transfer items to the Town Board:

**GENERAL FUND**

From:	A1910.4	Unallocated Insurance	Contractual	\$ 2,250.00
	A1990.4	Contingent	Contractual	<u>14,125.00</u>
				<u>\$16,375.00</u>
To:	A1940.4	Purchase of Land or Right of Way	Contractual	\$15,375.00
	A5132.4	Garage	Contractual	<u>1,000.00</u>
				<u>\$16,375.00</u>

A motion authorizing Mr. Chartrand to make the above budget item transfers was made by Supervisor Ireland and seconded by Councilor Vinzant. . The motion PASSED - AYES -5, NAYS - 0. Voting aye – G. Ireland, Chappell, Vinzant, J. Ireland, and Barnett.

**Health Insurance Bill**

A motion to pay the Highway Superintendent's and Highway employees health insurance bill upon receipt was made by Councilor Chappell and seconded by Councilor Vinzant. . The motion PASSED - AYES -5, NAYS - 0. Voting aye – G. Ireland, Chappell, Vinzant, J. Ireland, and Barnett.

**County Snow Plow Proposal**

Supervisor Ireland informed the Town Board of the latest proposals from Onondaga County for reimbursement to Towns for the plowing of County roads. The first proposal is for a five year period to pay \$4,600.00 per mile with no increase during that time period. The second proposal is for a three year period, the first year will be at a rate of \$4,500.00 per mile, the second year \$4,550.00 per mile and the third year \$4,600.00 per mile with an option to renew after the three years. The Town Supervisors Association will meet next week to discuss the proposals.

**Minutes of September 9, 2004 Town Board Meeting**

A motion to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2004 Town Board meeting was made by Councilor Chappell and seconded by Councilor Barnett. The motion PASSED – AYES 5, NAYS – 0. Voting aye – G. Ireland, Chappell, Vinzant, J. Ireland, and Barnett.

**Minutes of September 30, 2004 Town Board Meeting & Budget Session**

A motion to approve the minutes of the September 30, 2004 Town board meeting & budget session was made by Councilor J. Ireland and seconded by Councilor Vinzant. The motion PASSED – AYES 5, NAYS – 0. Voting aye – G. Ireland, Chappell, Vinzant, J. Ireland, and Barnett.

## **Town Clerk's September 2004 Report**

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Mrs. Valletta presented her cash report for September 2004. A total of \$4,266.15 was realized in fees for the Town. A motion to accept the Town Clerk's report as presented was made by Councilor Vinzant and seconded by Councilor Chappell. The motion PASSED – AYES – 5, NAYS – 0. Voting aye – G. Ireland, Chappell, Vinzant, J. Ireland, and Barnett.

### **Miscellaneous**

#### *Transfer Station Permits*

Mrs. Valletta informed the Town Board of the rise in cost of the hang tags currently used for Transfer Station permits. The cost has tripled. She is researching alternatives including static cling decals.

#### *Terrorism Insurance*

A letter was received from Eastern Shore Associates regarding Terrorism Risk Insurance. The upcoming renewal of coverage with Peerless Insurance Company will include Terrorism Insurance coverage for an approximate premium charge of \$78.00. If the Town of Spafford chooses to exclude the Terrorism coverage, the rejection notice must be sent prior to the January 1, 2005 renewal date. Mrs. Valletta will provide copies of the letter and attached documents to the Town Board for their review.

### **Highway Superintendent's Report**

#### *New Equipment*

Highway Superintendent Carl Wiers stated the new grader has been ordered and the new pick up has been received and is in use. The cost of a new payload is \$28,302.00. Supervisor Ireland requested Mr. Wiers attempt to negotiate a lower price. The current payload is three years old and the warranty expires in January 2005. There was a discussion of the current payload and the new one Mr. Wiers is seeking to purchase. A motion to order a new payload was made by Councilor J. Ireland and seconded by Councilor Vinzant. The motion PASSED – AYES – 5, NAYS – 0. Voting aye – G. Ireland, Chappell, Vinzant, J. Ireland, and Barnett.

#### *Radios*

The new radios have been installed in the trucks and the repeater has been installed on the tower on Rose Hill Road. This equipment will enable radio contact throughout the Town.

#### *Sand*

One half of the sand for the upcoming winter has been delivered.

### **Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:25 p.m. by Councilor Vinzant and seconded by Councilor Chappell. The motion PASSED – AYES – 5, NAYS – 0. Voting aye – G. Ireland, Chappell, Vinzant, J. Ireland, and Barnett.

Respectfully submitted by,

Next meeting to be held  
November 4, 2004 @ 7:00 p.m.  
@ Spafford Town Hall  
There will be a public hearing for the  
Tentative 2005 Budget on this date.

Lisa M. Valletta  
Town Clerk  
Town of Spafford