

**A Work Session of the Town Board of the Town of Williamson, County of Wayne and State of New York was held in the Town Complex Court Room located at 6380 Route 21, Suite II, at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, August 12, 2008. The following were**

PRESENT: Supervisor James D. Hoffman  
Councilman Gary Orbaker  
Councilman Anthony Verno  
Councilman Michael Bixby  
Councilman G. Elliott Warren

ABSENT: None

The Board reviewed bills for payment.

**The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Williamson was held in the Town Complex Court Room located at 6380 Route 21, Suite II following the Worksession and was called to order at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, August 12, 2008 by Supervisor Hoffman with the Pledge of Allegiance. The following were**

PRESENT: Supervisor James D. Hoffman  
Councilman Gary Orbaker  
Councilman Anthony Verno  
Councilman Michael Bixby  
Councilman G. Elliott Warren

ABSENT: None

Douglas P. Mason, Mary Jane Haugh, Tom DeMarree, Ora Rothfuss; Wayne Co. Planning Board, Phil Dean, George Ehresman, Suzanne & Todd Brennessel, John Ferrante, Peter Evans, Eileen Loveman; Sun & Record, and the undersigned Town Clerk were also present.

Mr. Ora Rothfuss gave an update on the Farmland Protection grant program, which enables the Town or a Land Trust to purchase an easement on a farm to permanently protect farmland by never allowing development on the land. He announced the Mason Farm would be interested in participating in the program and at this time qualify. Mr. Rothfuss asked The Board to support it by moving forward with the grant application. The State grant is due by September 12, 2008 and if awarded the Federal Grant will be due in April 2009. Mr. Mason explained all of his and his father's farmland south of the Ridge, approximately 250 – 300 acres would be included in the program. All legal fees, appraisals, and some closing costs would be billed back to the Masons. Mr. Rothfuss suggested working with the Genesee Land Trust could be an option in helping the Town with this program. The Wayne County Planning Board could write the grant for a fee of \$1,500.00 to be paid by the Town or applicant landowner. Some of the fees would be built in to the Grant. It takes approximately one hundred hours in the planning and writing of the Grant. The Board asked Mr. Rothfuss for an approximate list of costs and fees anticipated for this project before moving forward but are interested in participating.

Peter Evans, George Ehresman, Mary Jane Haugh, and John Ferrante gave an update on the Rt 104 Gateway Project. Two main issues from the Public Meeting with concerned businesses held May 5, 2008 were the raised medians on Route 104 and loss of parking spaces in Breen's parking lot both of which have been addressed. The raised medians have been replaced with colorful special markings and the parking spaces have been changed with the loss of only three spaces. A new traffic study is also being planned for September and October due to the heavier volume. The approximate cost for the project over the next ten years is \$586,461.00. The Committee members stated funds could come from Grants, and matching funds from the Town. The next phase will be scheduling a Town wide public meeting. After any or all public meetings a plan to pursue funding may be approved.

Public Comment: No one wished to comment.

Supervisor Hoffman made a motion, seconded by Councilman Warren, to accept the Consent Agenda containing the following items:

- a. previous minutes: July 22, 2008
- b. presentation of Town Clerk's report
- c. accept the Supervisor's report for July
- d. pay the Library bills as audited by the Library Board of Trustees:  
vouchers 1381 - 1400, total \$9314.59
- e. accept the budgetary transfers

<u>From</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>To</u>
<i>General Fund</i>		
A1990.400 Contingency	\$ 1,500.00	A1430.400 Personnel
	10.36	A1356.110 Assessment Brd. PS
	50.00	A1620.100 Blds, PS
	8,000.00	A1930.400 Judgements & Claims
	5,616.57	A8160.100 Refuse & Garbage PS
<i>Water Fund</i>		
F1990.900 Contingency	10,000.00	F1440.400 Engineering
	2,000.00	F8330.440 Purif./repr/mnt
	2000.00	F8330.460 Purif./misc.
F8340.200 Trans/dist. equip	16,000.00	F8340.417 Trans/Dist rehab lines
<i>Sewer Fund</i>		
SS1990.400 Cont. acct	2,000.00	SS8120.440 Sw Lines Vehicle mnt
	2,000.00	SS8130.200 Sewage Plant, equip.
	.25	SS9710.700 Debt Service Int.

The motion was carried.

Councilman Warren made a motion, seconded by Councilman Verno, to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign a maintenance agreement with Rel Comm for remedial and preventive maintenance of the telephone system. The cost of this maintenance agreement will be \$104.80 per month. The motion was carried.

FYI – this is the same amount we are currently paying

Councilman Orbaker made a motion, seconded by Councilman Bixby, to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign a NY WARN (mutual aid) agreement for an intrastate Program for Mutual Aid and Assistance for New York State. The motion was carried.

Councilman Verno made a motion, seconded by Councilman Bixby, to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign a water/sewer budget review agreement with Bernard P. Donegan, Inc. The costs of these services are not to exceed \$5,000.00. The motion was carried.

FYI – cost last year was \$4700.00

Councilman Verno made a motion, seconded by Councilman Warren, to authorize the Town Clerk to advertise in the Sun & Record and the Wayne County Times to receive applications for someone for lawn mowing. The ad will appear the week of August 18, 2008 and applications will be accepted until September 3, 2008. The motion was carried.

Public Comment: Phil Dean mentioned his concern in regard to money for the Route 104 Gateway Project coming from tax payers who could not afford it.

Supervisor Hoffman made a motion, seconded by Councilman Verno, to pay the following bills as audited:

<u>Account:</u>	<u>Voucher No.:</u>	<u>Totals:</u>
General Fund	1278 through 1314	\$ 28,133.56
Youth	1275,1315 through 1321,1401-1408	
Highway Fund	1276, 1323 through 1338	\$ 63,996.30
Water Fund	1274, 1339 through 1356,1409	\$ 62,058.75
Sewer Fund	1277, 1357 through 1374	\$ 10,654.75
Bus. Imprv. Dist.	1376	\$ 750.00
Capital H-16	1375	\$ 176.20
<u>Drainage Dist.</u>	<u>1410 through 1411</u>	<u>\$ 1,750.27</u>
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$167,519.83</b>

The motion was carried.

Supervisor Hoffman made a motion, seconded by Councilman Orbaker, to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters at 8:24 PM. The motion was carried.

Councilman Orbaker made a motion, seconded by Councilman Bixby, to return to Open Session at 8:37 PM. The motion was carried.

Councilman Orbaker made a motion, seconded by Councilman Bixby, to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 PM. The motion was carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marlene A. Gulick  
Town Clerk