Town Board Minutes April 9, 2013

The monthly meeting of the Torrey Town Board was held on April 9, 2013 in the town meeting room at 56 Geneva St Dresden and was called to order by Supervisor Flynn at 7:30PM

Present: Patrick H. Flynn, Burge W. Morris, Colby J. Petersen, John H. Martini

Absent: Linda K. Francisco

Others present: Jeff Finger- Highway Supt., George Thompson, Pege Brow, Dwight James- Code Officer, Mary Lilyea- Assessor, Village Board - Mike Snyder, Ron Merritt, Bill Hall.

Mr. Flynn led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mike Snyder Village Trustee introduced Mayor Bill Hall to present a study on the Dresden Fire Dept. conducted in 2012. This recommendation/report showed the areas identified in need of improvement and present conditions of fire house, equipment, and materials. The report recommended formation of a fire district which would take an estimated 6 years. The Mayor would like to see the Town and Village research a 3 year contract to alleviate issues. No action.

Mr. Flynn presented the abstracts of vouchers for audit.

Motion by Mrs. Francisco, 2nd Mr. Martini, that the bills on the General A & B accounts in the amount of \$15,326.42 be paid, carried by all.

Motion by Mr. Morris 2nd Mr. Martini, that the bills on the Highway DA & DB accounts in the amount of \$6,464.26 be paid, carried by all.

Motion by Mr. Flynn, 2nd Mr. Martini a resolution to opt out of early voting opportunities, as this will create further financial burden on all municipalities involved with elections process, carried by all.

WHEREAS, A 689 (Silver) S. 1461 (Stewart- Cousins) has been introduced in the New York Legislature establishing early voting in primary, general and special elections in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, this bill would allow early voting to take place up to 14 days before a general election and up to a week before a primary or special election, from 8:00 am until 7:00pm on every early voting day including Saturday and Sunday; and

WHEREAS, county boards of elections would be required to select an minimum of five polling places throughout each county and provide elections inspectors at each location; and

WHEREAS, county boards of elections would also be required to follow the same polling place protocols that are observed on election day on all early voting; and

WHEREAS, there will be costs associate with staffing early voting locations, and printing and county paper ballots associated with early voting; and

WHEREAS, the 2 percent tax cap and insufficient relief from state-imposed mandates has placed an unprecedented strain on local governments to provide more services with less funding.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Torrey Town Board does hereby oppose the passage of legislation requiring counties to implement early voting; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, if the proposal is enacted, allow counties to opt to providing early voting opportunities and the state needs to fully fund the cost of early voting for those counties that provide early voting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Torrey Town Board shall forward copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, the New York State Legislature and all others deemed necessary and proper.

Motion by Mr. Martini, 2nd Mr. Morris appointing Mark Venuti of Geneva as Attorney for the Town for the year 2013, carried.

Motion by Mr. Flynn 2nd Mr. Petersen to re-appoint Dave Granzin as Town Rep to the Yates County Planning Board, term to 2016, carried.

Motion by Mr. Martini 2nd Mr. Morris setting \$ 100.+cost Fee for Sub Division application, carried.

Motion by Mr. Flynn 2nd Mr. Martini appointing Pege Brow to fill the vacant seat on the Board of Assessment Review, for remaining term of Terry Wrege whom resigned 4/6/13. carried

Highway report: Supt. Finger reported the buildings furnace is need of repairing. There has been damage to the meeting room ceiling because of water leaking out of the furnace. The repairs are waiting for parts.

He visited Lakeland Concrete and the bunker walls are being poured. He will contact local paving companies for quote on paving the bunker floor. 6" top with 4" binder is needed. Ontario Paving, Collins Paving are local. Chips \$ has increase to 64,000.

Town roads scheduled for to be oil & stone this year are Hazard, Norris and Swarthout.

Code report- 5 permits, Inspections: 37 site, 4 Violation tickets (to Elmira) = 552 miles 1 Stop work order issued (Richtmyer) and he has conducted 9 safety inspections. Update on Oakgrove Woodworking expansion project. Mr. Zimmerman is still in contact with state regarding regulations on fire safety. State Code Office suggested to build separate buildings, installation of alarms and additional exits. Mr. Zimmerman is working with an architect. At this time NY State will not allow expansion without a fire suppressant system installed due to the size of the structure, which would be an additional financial burden to Mr. Zimmerman.

Correspondence- Climbing Bines Hop Farm application for a PILOT (Payment In Lieu Of Taxes) in 2014 is pending.

There being no further business before the board, Mr. Flynn made a motion to move into executive session at 8:05 regarding assessments on Ferro Corp & AES Greenidge with Mary Lilyea-Assessor Motion by Mr. Flynn, 2nd Mr. Martini, authorizes Mrs. Lilyea to accept best settlement offered in regards to Ferro Corp. Carried by all.

Mr. Flynn made the motion to leave executive session and adjourn meeting at 8:25pm, 2nd Mr. Martini, carried.

Mr. Flynn made a motion to adjourn 2nd Mr. Martini at 8:40pm carried.

Respectfully submitted, Betty M. Daggett