

## YEAR END MEETING, TOWN OF COCHECTON, DECEMBER 28, 2011 - 1 -

A recessed meeting of the Town of Cochection was held on December 28, 2011 at 7:00 PM at the Cochection Town Hall with the following members present:

(Between 7:00 PM and 7:30 PM for the purpose of auditing bills)

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Maas with the pledge to the flag at 7:04 PM.

**PRESENT:** Supervisor Gary Maas  
Councilperson Larry Richardson  
Councilperson Edwin Grund  
Councilperson Richard Schulman  
Councilperson Anna Story

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Hollye Schulman – Town Clerk                      Brian DuBois – Highway Superintendent  
Eileen Hennessy –Tax Collector

**RESOLUTION # 71**

**FY 2011 SEWER FUND, HEALTH INSURANCE**

On motion of Councilperson Grund, seconded by Councilperson Richardson, the following resolution was WHEREAS, the Cochection Town Board when adopting the FY 2011 budget for the Sewer Fund did not put enough money in line SS 9060.800 (Health Insurance) , therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that \$786.58 be transferred from line SS 1903.400 (Judgment and Claims) to line SS 9060.800 (Health Insurance) will now read \$16,786.58 and line SS 1903.400 (Judgment and Claims) will read \$711.03

**ADOPTED: AYES: 5 NAYS: 0**

Supervisor Maas

Councilpersons: Richardson, Grund, Schulman and Story

**RESOLUTION # 72**

**LINE DA 962 (EMPLOYEE BENEFIT FUND)**

On motion of Councilperson Richardson, seconded by Councilperson Grund, the following resolution was, RESOLVED, that while planning the FY 2011 the Town Board decided not to fund the Employee Liability Benefit Fund (Line DA 962) in the amount of \$2,000.00 and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the \$2,000.00 be put in Fund Balance, as the Employee Liability Benefit Fund is sufficiently funded for any future liabilities

**ADOPTED: AYES: 5 NAYS: 0**

Supervisor Maas

Councilpersons: Richardson, Grund, Schulman and Story

**MOTION:** On motion of Councilperson Grund, seconded by Councilperson Story, the following motion was to approve the minutes of December 14, 2011 and be accepted as submitted. All voted in favor.

**MOTION:** On motion of Councilperson Grund, seconded by Councilperson Schulman, the following motion was to approve the bills on Abstract # 12 -A in the following amounts:

General Account	Voucher # 601-629	\$8,336.91
Sewer Account	Voucher # 630-635	\$7,894.75
Highway Account	Voucher # 636-647	\$29,530.45

Voucher #'s 611, 619 and 626 are noted as splits between funds, same voucher.

Voucher #'s 601-611 are noted as PREPAID on 12/15/2011 and 12/20/2011

All voted in favor.

**PRESENTATIONS FOR SERVICE:**

Supervisor Maas presented Jerold Yavarkovsky representative and treasurer for the Cochection Youth Board for the past 7 years with a certificate of appreciation. Things have worked very well under the guidance of Jerold and there is a good group to continue his work.

Supervisor Maas presented Brian DuBois the outgoing Highway Superintendent with a clock which was inscriber with his years of service (12 years). It has been a pleasure to work with you and you have left the town in a better place. Brian said there are things that still need to be finished and he will miss working for the town and with his highway workers. Supervisor Maas said without the cooperation of the Highway Superintendent and his Highway workers getting the site work done for the New Town Hall, this building would not be here. Brian said that he stepped out of line to do the job and his men followed him and got the job done. It saved the town a lot of money.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Supervisor received several communications re: Water Shed policy. This policy re: an initiative to seek funding for comprehensive flood mitigation in the New York City Watershed, has been adopted by several towns already.

Councilperson Richardson feels that the Sullivan County Planning department should address this issue. HE doesn't want to be surprised if water from upstream and floods our area. He wants to know that safe guards are in place to protect our towns as well as the ones upstate. In theory it is a good idea.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Town Clerk Hollye Schulman asked if she could be part of the public. She wished to thank Brian for his years of service and will miss working with him.

Councilperson Richardson said that the incoming Highway Superintendent Kevin Esselman should have a copy of the Highway Contract. The Town Clerk got one and gave it to him.

No one else wished to comment.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Internet Policy- Supervisor Maas forwarded to Mr. David Bloodgood the rep: from NYMIR but has not heard anything back at this time. Also thanked Councilperson Richardson for putting the policy together
2. Reorganizational meeting review – the Town Board went over the reorganizational meeting minutes to see if there were additions or corrections to them before the meeting on January 2, 2012. Supervisor will make changes as needed

At this time the Town Clerk administrated the oath of office to the newly elected town officials.

Supervisor Maas went over the Budget to Actual with the board members and explained that there was no budget lines overspent. He also mentioned that this past week fire extinguishers have been installed by Cintas. There are three as suggested by the Code Enforcement Officer Gregg Semenetz.

Councilperson Richardson mentioned that it has been an interesting year. Supervisor Maas echoed his comment

Jerold Yavarkovsky mentioned he had spoken to Lesia from the Sullivan County Youth Board and he could represent the town on the County level., but since the meetings are held at 4:00 p.m. and he has tutoring he would not be able to attend, and asked that the Town Board try and find someone else to represent Cochection.

Councilperson Richardson asked the Supervisor about the zoning map. Supervisor Maas said it should be ready within the next week.

Councilperson Story asked if the Supervisor had spoken to Doreen Werner re: the town web site and putting a page on the site for the Historian. Supervisor has made a couple of phone calls to her but has not heard back. He will continue trying to reach her. Councilperson Richardson feels that anything that is put on the web site should have some town oversight.

Incoming Highway Superintendent asked if he could make a decision re: the part-time seasonal worker. He was told it was his decision to make.

**MOTION:** On motion of Councilperson Grund, seconded by Councilperson Story, the following motion was that this Town Board meeting is adjourned. Time 8:14 p.m. All voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted, \_\_\_\_\_  
Hollye Schulman, Town Clerk