

**TOWN OF SOMERS**  
**MINUTES of the REGULAR MEETING**  
**January 28, 2014**

The Regular Meeting of the Somers Town Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ben Harbach at the Somers Town Hall, 7511 12<sup>TH</sup> Street.

Present: Chairman Ben Harbach, Supervisors Gregg Sinnen, Michael DeLuca, Judy Schantek & Peter Ress. Also present: Town Administrator William Morris & Clerk-Treasurer Tim Kitzman.

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Consent and Approval of Minutes of the Town Board meeting on 09-24-13, Vouchers dated 01-17-14, 01-23-14 & 01-24-14, Tax Account Vouchers dated 01-15-14 & 01-20-14**

Sup. DeLuca moved to approve Minutes of the Town Board meeting on 09-24-13, payment Vouchers dated 01-17-14, 01-23-14 & 01-24-14 & Tax Account Vouchers dated 01-15-14 & 01-20-14, second by Sup. Schantek. Motion carried 5-0.

**Correspondence**

Received & filed: Letter from Gary Koser in opposition to proposed gun range at 10831 1<sup>st</sup> Street

**Citizen Comments**

Krista Reck, 5007 Street, spoke regarding the Root Pike Win Restoration Plan. James Petty, 10721 1<sup>st</sup> Street, submitted letters from neighbors regarding the proposed shooting range at 10831 1<sup>st</sup> Street. Carl Kirkorian, 502 9<sup>th</sup> Place, spoke regarding the Russell Harbach contract, high gas bill, asked the status of the Fire Chief applications and using a salt-sand mix. Cassie Petty, 10721 1<sup>st</sup> Street, spoke in opposition to the proposed shooting range at 10831 1<sup>st</sup> Street. Ron Grimes, 3145 72<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, spoke regarding the proposed gun range, the Sabath Contract, the Board's relationship with the Park Committee, need for change in the culture of the Town & the delay in posting minutes. He also spoke in opposition to Incorporation.

**Supervisor's Comments**

Supervisors commented on the Sabath Contract. Supervisor DeLuca thanked Ms. Reck & Mr. & Mrs. Petty for attending the meeting. He stated that the sand-salt mixture would be looked into. Supervisor Ress thanked Mr. & Mrs. Petty & Mr. Grimes for their comments. He stated the shooting range is conceptual at this point. Supervisor Schantek thanked all for attending the meeting. She spoke regarding the culture of the Town staff & addressed the relationship with the Parks Committee. Sup. Schantek thanked Mr. & Mrs. Petty for their comments. Supervisor Sinnen reminded all to check the proper residence boxes on their tax returns to insure proper credit to the Town. He stated the Candidate Forum is scheduled for March 19 at 6:30 P.M. Sup. Sinnen also commented on the relationship between the Board & the Park Committee. Chairman Harbach stated the Council on Governments meeting addressed 3 issues: the emerald ash borer, the propane shortage & hazardous waste. He stated a hazardous waste collection would be scheduled in May. Chairman Harbach then thanked the Fire Department & Public Works staff for their work in the extremely cold weather.

**Approval of 2014 Kennel Licenses: Stromberg & Szuhai**

Sup. Sinnen moved to grant 2014 Kennel Licenses to Mike Stromberg & Jackie Szuhai, second

by Sup. DeLuca. Motion carried 5-0.

**Action on Ordinance No. 13-011 to Repeal & Recreate Sections 13.51-13.65 relating to Sanitary Sewer Utility Districts**

Sup. Sinnen moved to waive the first reading, second by Sup. Ress. Motion carried 5-0. Sup. Sinnen moved to adopt said ordinance, second by Sup. Ress. Motion carried 5-0.

**Authorize Preparation of 2013 PSC Report for Water Utility**

Sup. Schantek moved to authorize Preparation of 2013 PSC Report for Water Utility, not to exceed \$2,500.00, with Accountant to aid in preparation in 2013 Report and prepare 2014 Report, second by Sup. DeLuca. Motion carried 5-0.

**Approve Appointments of Tim Fulton, Mark Pellicori & Dan Meyer to Park Committee**

Sup. DeLuca moved to approve appointments of Tim Fulton, Mark Pellicori & Dan Meyer to Park Committee, second by Sup. Schantek. Motion carried 5-0.

**Authorize Attorney to prepare Agreement with Russell Harbach**

Sup. Sinnen moved to authorize Attorney to prepare Agreement with Russell Harbach, second by Sup. Schantek. Motion failed 2-2-1 with Sup. Ress & DeLuca voting no & Chairman Harbach abstaining.

**Motion to Authorize Janet Cushing to Attend Ehlers Conference Feb. 13-14**

Sup. Sinnen moved to authorize Janet Cushing to Attend Ehlers Conference Feb. 13-14, second by Sup. Schantek. Motion carried 5-0.

**Approval of Operator License: New: Chelsea N. Neave**

Sup. Sinnen moved to grant an operator license to Chelsea N. Neave, second by Sup. Schantek. Motion carried 5-0.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Submitted by Timothy L. Kitzman, Clerk-Treasurer

These minutes are not official until approved by the Town Board