# COUNTY OF GREENE TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE BID OPENING MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2009-Page 1

Following advertisement, at 7:15pm Town Clerk Brooks opened the 6 sealed bids for the Town's Parks Mowing.

Eagle Associates, Hannacroix \$8,700.

ADM, Delmar \$12,900.

Albright's Lawn Care, Selkirk \$12,300.

Triple L Landscaping, Dormansville \$8,975.

John Degnen, Jr., Hannacroix \$13,200.

P & J Property Services, Rensselaer \$16,800.

No bids were received for the surplus Highway Equipment advertised as the Used Boom Mower Attachment.

# COUNTY OF GREENE TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2009-Page 1

Supervisor Louis called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Also attending were: Councilwoman McKeon, Councilmen Kuenster, Norris, and Byas, Attorney for the Town Wukitsch, Highway Superintendent Jordan, Tax Collector Stuart, Town Clerk Brooks, and 10 members of the public.

# MOMENT OF SILENCE IN MEMORY OF EVELYN DALY, FORMER TOWN CLERK

Supervisor asked all attending to remain standing for a moment of silence in memory of former Town Clerk Evelyn Daly.

Supervisor Louis welcomed all attending.

#### MINUTES

The minutes of the February 9, 2009 Regular Town Board Meeting were presented for approval.

Councilwoman McKeon moved, seconded by Councilman Kuenster.

Adopted Ayes- 5 McKeon, Kuenster, Louis, Norris, Byas

Nays- 0

The minutes of the February 23, 2009 Town Board Work Meeting were presented for approval.

Councilwoman McKeon moved, seconded by Councilman Norris.

Adopted Ayes- 5 McKeon, Kuenster, Louis, Norris, Byas

Navs- 0

The minutes of the March 9, 2009 Bid Opening for Surplus Highway Equipment were presented for approval.

Supervisor moved, seconded by Councilman Kuenster.

Adopted Ayes- 5 McKeon, Kuenster, Louis, Norris, Byas

Nays- 0

The minutes of the March 9, 2009 Regular Town Board Meeting were presented for approval.

Supervisor asked to correct *CHPS* to *CHIPS*, acronym for Consolidated Highway Improvement Program, and with that correction Supervisor moved, seconded by Councilwoman McKeon.

Adopted

Ayes- 5 McKeon, Kuenster, Louis, Norris, Byas

Navs- 0

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Councilwoman McKeon moved, seconded by Councilman Norris.

Adopted

Ayes- 5 McKeon, Kuenster, Louis, Norris, Byas

Navs- 0

#### CORRESPONDENCE

From New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, relating to a P & M Brick permit application for C&D debris processing, Supervisor summarized the section relating to truck traffic: NYS Department of Transportation traffic data was reviewed to determine the percentage of traffic north and south of their NYS Routes 143 and 144 facility, has remained consistent before and after the facility opened. Because of concerns raised for 144 south of the Route 144/143 intersection, the applicant agreed to impose contract requirement on companies doing business stipulates that their trucks will use 144 north for access. The exception will be trucks originating in the local townships. There will be no C & D truck traffic from 6pm to 6am weekdays and on Sundays or holidays. Supervisor concluded that concerns have been met. Letter is on file.

From New York State Department of Public Service, relating to Central Hudson rate increase, notice that they are accepting comments until Fri 5/1. Can be sent to Commission's office in Albany.

Also, Highway Superintendent Denis Jordan has responded to correspondence from New Baltimore Reformed Church approving a connection of a downspout with a storm drain.

From Greene County Office of Real Property Tax Services, notice of training for Board of Assessment Review members that has been sent to those members directly.

From New York State Department of Health, relating to Scheller Park's Water District, there are additional sampling requirements and Supervisor will double check with Coxsackie that they will fulfill those responsibilities.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

# Parks Mowing Bids

With the bids opened at the onset of the meeting, all the submission requirements appear to have been met by the low bidder, Eagle Associates.

RESOLUTION APRIL 13, 2009

# RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT BID FOR MOWING OF TOWN PARKS

WHEREAS, the Town Board, by Resolution dated March 9, 2009, authorized the Town Clerk to advertise for bids for the provision of mowing services for Town Parks, in accordance with specifications to be prepared by the Parks Committee and Superintendent of Highways, with bids to be submitted to the Town Clerk's Office no

later than 4:00 p.m. on April 13, 2009 and to be publicly opened at 7:15 p.m. on April 13, 2009, and

WHEREAS, bids have been received and opened pursuant to the Town Board's authorization, and

WHEREAS, the lowest bid meeting the specifications was offered by Eagle Associates for the amount of \$8,700.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby accept the bid of Eagle Associates to provide mowing services for Town Parks for the amount of \$8,700, contingent on the successful execution of a contract for said services, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby authorize the Supervisor to execute said contract in accordance with the terms and conditions of the bid specification and the submitted proposal.

Councilman Norris moved, seconded by Councilman Byas.

Adopted

Ayes- 5 Kuenster, McKeon, Louis, Norris, Byas

Navs- (

For the used Boom Mower Attachment no bids were received; item was struck from the agenda. If a proposal should come in at a future date the Board will act on it at that time.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Councilman Norris introduced that the ambulance went up the wrong road in response to a emergency call for a female resident on Highmount Road, previously the husband had also called 911 and same occurrence. All six homeowners signed petition. Emergency Services will take care of renumbering this newly-named section.

# RESOLUTION APRIL 13, 2009

# RESOLUTION TO RENAME HIGHMOUNT ROAD BETWEEN COUNTY ROUTE 54 AND RESERVOIR ROAD IN TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE

WHEREAS, there are two sections of road in the Town of New Baltimore that are named Highmount Road, and

WHEREAS, these two sections of Highmount Road are bisected by County Route 54 and do not directly connect at County Route 54, and

WHEREAS, the current layout and naming of these sections of Highmount Road have resulted in confusion and delays by emergency service providers when responding to emergency calls on that portion of Highmount Road that lies between County Route 54 and Reservoir Road, and

WHEREAS, the residents of the portion of Highmount Road that lies between County Route 54 and Reservoir Road have presented the Town Board with a petition requesting that this portion of Highmount Road be changed to Valley View Drive, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board is empowered to make such changes to road names and numbering pursuant to Section 64 of the Town Law of the State of New York.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of New Baltimore hereby authorizes the renaming of that portion of Highmount Road in the Town of New Baltimore that lies between County Route 54 and Reservoir Road to be renamed as Valley View Drive, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the assignment of house numbers on Valley View Drive shall be performed by the Greene County Office of Emergency Services in accordance with 911 numbering standards, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the assignment of house numbers on the remaining portion of Highmount Road that is not being renamed will not be changed from its current numbering, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is hereby directed to transmit copies of this Resolution to the Greene County Clerk, the Greene County Superintendent of Highways, the Greene County Office of Emergency Services, the Town of New Baltimore Assessor's Office, the Town of New Baltimore Planning Board, and the United States Postal Service.

Councilman Norris moved, seconded by Supervisor Louis. Councilwoman McKeon asked about adding additional offices as a courtesy, specifically Greene County Planning and Economic Development. Councilman Byas asked Highway Superintendent Jordan if there were any other divided roads that needed to be changed; answer: no.

Adopted Ayes- 5 Kuenster, McKeon, Louis, Norris, Byas Nays- 0

Supervisor received a March 24 letter from **Girl Scouts of Northeastern New York** indicating that a resident was to be presented with a Girl Scout *Gold Award* at an award ceremony 5/2.

#### RESOLUTION APRIL 13, 2009

# CONGRATULATING REBECCA HERRINGTON UPON THE OCCASION OF RECEIVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD

WHEREAS, Rebecca Herrington, a resident of the Town of New Baltimore, will be receiving the Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest award in Girl Scouting; the Awards Ceremony to be held on May  $2^{\rm nd}$ , 2009, and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts of the USA and its members are dedicated to the development of courage, confidence, and character in our youth to prepare them for success in the real world, and

WHEREAS, the Gold Award is the highest achievement of leadership in Girl Scouting, earned by those young women who are recognized for their leadership and organizational skills and commitment to improving the world around them, and

WHEREAS, Rebecca Herrington has been involved in Girl Scouting for many years and is actively involved in Troop 1654, and spent over 65 hours completing her Gold Award project titled Project Empowerment, and

WHEREAS, this outstanding achievement brings great pride to her family and our community, and warrants special recognition.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of New Baltimore does hereby extend its congratulations to Rebecca Herrington on the occasion of her receiving the Girl Scout Gold Award.

Councilman Kuenster moved, seconded by Councilwoman McKeon. Some discussion.

Adopted Ayes- 5 Kuenster, McKeon, Louis, Norris, Byas

Nays- 0

Supervisor reviewed that requests for posting information to the Town Website had been discussed at length at the Work Meeting. Councilwoman McKeon and Councilman Norris have been working on this.

# TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE WEBSITE POLICY

Purpose and Goal: The Town of New Baltimore maintains its website (<u>www.townofnew baltimore.org</u>) for the purpose of providing information to residents and visitors regarding New Baltimore and the services provided by the Town, other government agencies and public utilities. In addition, the Town may post information about or links to information from other organizations serving the community if the information is of general interest regarding cultural, educational or recreational activities and is consistent with or furthers the goals and purposes of the Town's website. The Town does not intend its website to become a public or limited public forum by which public discourse, exchange of opinions or discussion on issues of any nature may occur.

Links: The Town may allow links to websites of other organizations if the information is consistent with the purpose and goals stated above. Examples of the types of organizations which the Town will allow links to include:

Other governmental agencies serving Town residents

Public utilities (gas, electric, water, sewer, garbage, recycling, telephone, cable television) serving the Town

Public and private elementary, secondary and postsecondary schools and educational institutions.

Organizations whose primary purpose is promoting businesses and/or tourism in New Baltimore

Museums, libraries, historical organizations and similar organizations that provide cultural resources to residents and visitors of the Town

Sports leagues primarily serving New Baltimore residents

Hospitals

Entities that have an existing, co-sponsor relationship with the Town Churches and places of worship within New Baltimore

Veterans organizations

The Town will not allow links to websites for: candidates for political office; political organizations or advocacy groups; corporate or other for-profit organizations, unless otherwise approved through separate agreement; media; individual or personal sites; sites containing obscene material.

Community Calendar: The Town maintains a "Community Calendar" on its website. This calendar shall be used only to list events sponsored by the Town.

Community Announcements: The Town may use its website to post brief announcements regarding upcoming events in the community. Such announcements will be limited to events sponsored or co-sponsored by the Town and/or not-for-profit community organizations within the town.

Requests for Use of Town Website: Entities and organizations wishing to establish external links on the Town's website or to post items on the Community Calendar or Announcements, must submit an application on a form provided by the Town which shall contain all information necessary to verify the facts stated and to establish that the proposed link or posting complies with this policy. The Town of New Baltimore reserves the right to: 1) deny an external link applications as to any person, business or organization when it is determined, following review of a complete application, that the entity or organization for which application is made does not meet the criteria set forth in this policy; 2) deny an external link application as to any person, business or organization which fails to provide all required information, or fails to provide truthful information; 3) remove any external link if the nature of the organization or business to which the link related no longer complies with the Town's policy; 4) to discontinue an external link at any time if the linked website provides or promotes false, slanderous, illegal, immoral or incorrect information at any time; or 5) to revise this policy without prior notice when to do so is deemed to be in the best interests of the Town.

Use of Town Logo and website images: The Town of New Baltimore Logo is a trademark of the Town and may not be used without the express written permission of the Town. Any use of materials stored on the Town's website is prohibited without the written permission of the Town of New Baltimore. The Town of New Baltimore retains all intellectual property rights including copyrights on all text, graphic images and other content. This means that the following acts or activities are prohibited without prior, written permission from the Town of New Baltimore: 1) modification and/or reuse of text images or other web content from a Town server; 2) distribution of the Town's web content; or 3) "mirror" the Town's information on a non-Town server.

Disclaimer: The materials and information contained on or obtained from the Town's website, are distributed and transmitted "as is" without warranties of any kind, either express or implied, including without limitation, warranties to title or implied warranties of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose. Information contained on the Town's website, including information obtained from external links thereon, is provided without any representation of any kind as to accuracy or content and should be verified by the user. The Town of New Baltimore is not responsible for any special, indirect, incidental or consequential damages that may arise from the use of, or the inability to use, the website and/or the materials contained on the site whether the materials contained on the website are provided by the Town of New Baltimore or a third party.

## RESOLUTION APRIL 13, 2009

# RESOLUTION ADOPTING TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE WEBSITE POLICY

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of New Baltimore does hereby adopt the attached Town of New Baltimore Website Policy, dated April 13, 2009.

Councilwoman McKeon moved, seconded by Councilman Kuenster. Supervisor thanked Councilwoman McKeon and Councilman Norris for their work on this policy.

Adopted Ayes- 5 Kuenster, McKeon, Louis, Norris, Byas

Nays- 0

Website Services have been provided by **Apogee Media**'s **Anthony Rago** for a yearly period, that period extending from May 1, 2009-2010 has been offered to the Town at no change in cost.

#### RESOLUTION APRIL 13, 2009

#### RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE WEB SITE MANAGEMENT SERVICES

RESOLVED, that Apogee Media is hereby retained to provide web site management services for the Town of New Baltimore, for the period May 1, 2009-May 1, 2010, at a total cost of \$700.

Councilman Norris moved, seconded by Councilman Byas. There is no change in cost from last year; no discussion.

Adopted Ayes 5

Ayes- 5 Kuenster, McKeon, Louis, Norris, Byas

Nays- 0

Supervisor reviewed impacts of New York State Budget; several proposals that could have had a negative impact on New Baltimore have been rejected. The Governor's original budget would have cut CHIPS (Consolidated Highway Improvement Program) by 40%; it has been restored to 2008 level. Town of New Baltimore, in February, responded to the potential freezing of taxes on state-owned lands and combined youth funding in block grant form —both proposals were rejected at the State level. Based on conversations between Councilman Norris and Supervisor and local fire chiefs, Supervisor asked New York State Assemblyman Tim Gordon to include funding for a local initiative to assist with emergency response by providing 911 house numbering. Assemblyman Gordon included \$7500 in the adopted budget for the Town to embark on this effort in hopes that program, coordinated with two fire districts, will resolve emergency services difficulties,. Fire departments will put up reflective signs in the appropriate locations. Town of Coxsackie has a system in place where signs are made and a bulk purchase may be possible.

WNYT Regional Electronics Recycling Program collection day will occur on April 25, 2009 from 7am-1pm, Taft Furniture, 1960 Central Avenue, Albany. Press Release, website release, and post in post office indicating that a resident must have a coupon. Town Clerk Brooks will have office hours on Thursday, April 23 from 5-8pm to accommodate residents.

Based on discussion at Work Meeting, the opening ceremony of the Greene County Sheriff Satellite Substation will be held on May 9, 2009, at 12noon, and a press release will be written and come by email from Councilman Kuenster. The Sheriff's phone number in New Baltimore is 756-3300. New York State Senator Seward and Assemblyman Gordon have been invited to attend.

Councilman Kuenster announced his resignation from the Town Board. With 3- and 5-year old children, he and his wife have looked at school offerings and will move to Columbia County. He feels privileged to have served on the Town Board and to have represented citizens of the Town. He has lived in various communities; the Town of New Baltimore is very unique. In very controversial and lengthy public discussions, he has been impressed by the people who have been involved and those involved in the government of this Town; Highway Superintendent Denis Jordan does an astounding job and does not get paid enough, his seatmate Councilwoman McKeon has been exceptionally courageous in terms of Comprehensive Plan and Zoning, voting and working from her conscience and for what was right for the Town. He commented that it is a small minority who stir a flame, and doing what is best for the Town is not a matter of opinion. Councilwoman McKeon had expectations placed on her. The Town is extremely lucky to have such a Supervisor; no one understands what goes into this and what this man has done for this Town. Councilman Kuenster will work hard in the next month on what is in front of him. Supervisor knows he has wrestled with the decision; a

lot of thought has gone into this choice. Councilwoman McKeon will comment next month.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

No further public comment.

#### MONTHLY REPORTS

<u>Supervisor</u> Louis reported that vouchers, appearing on the abstracts prepared for this meeting, were being approved by the Town Board; also that a report of revenues

County Legislator Jim VanSlyke was not present.

<u>Town Clerk</u> Brooks reported 2 C of O searches, 6 conservation fees, 6 new dog licenses, 2 purebred renewals, 23 renewed dog licenses, 2 replacement tags, 1 marriage license, 17 certified copies, 2 photocopies, 3 building permits, 1 demolition permit, 4 minor subdivisions, a total to Supervisor of \$1,986.07 and non-local revenues disbursed of \$225.83. For <u>Records Management</u>, several cartons have been submitted by the Assessor and the Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator; about 5 hours were spent over April 9 and 10 sorting cartons of Sanitary Sewer System Project maps with Chief Operator Jim Polyerelli.

Highway Superintendent Jordan reported for the month of March: March 2- snow ploughed all roads 5 times; Replaced air brake can on 1980 Oshkosh; Replaced blown hydraulic hose on 80 Oshkosh sander; Removed decals from 93 Ford dump, being sold; Patched holes with winter mix; Patched holes with crusher run; Cleaned up tree limbs from District 1 & 2 parks; Picked up dead deer on Reservoir Road; Took down broken backstop at District 1/Wyche Park; Replaced rear brakes on 85 Oshkosh; Washed trucks and greased; Finished building leaf and chip box for new f-350; Picked up and chipped some debris from ice storm; Serviced lawn mowers; Took chipper blades to Wm. Biers for sharpening; Picked up garbage outside of Town Hall and took to compactor; 32 loads of chips have been made so far from ice storm debris, @ about 15 cubic yards per load\*; Started to sweep roads; Took down sign @ District 1/Wyche Park; Hauled crusher run to garage for road repairs.

Wastewater Treatment Plant James Polverelli reported a March 13 inspection by New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Region 4 at which time significant improvements were noted for ongoing collection system and maintenance. Councilman Byas and Supervisor Louis met with Chief Operator Polverelli re his requests and are working on replacing hoses at the Pump Station.

Town Historian Clesson Bush reported for the month of March: Assisted an attorney with a search for the boundaries of a property in Town; Consulted with a University at Albany professor who is researching the history of piracy on the Hudson River, that professor is head of the documentary history at the University and is interested in our ongoing series of taping noted Town individuals; Facilitated the presence of a videographer at the April 19 talk on dairy farming; Attended the first meeting of the Town's Bicentennial Committee; Visited the National Archives (New York City) and the New York State Library to research several Town residents who fought in the Civil War (Gage and Hotaling), died at Andersonville Prison, Georgia, and are buried in National Cemetery; Has spoken to former New Baltimore resident Anthony Gambino regarding his new book and dvd (excerpts of interviews) which is \$12 plus tax (he is bringing sample copies); Has gone to National Archives in NYC.

Ellie offered that a Civil War veteran is buried on Independence Lane. Several were killed at Boynton Plank Road, Cless added. April 19, 2009 is the Agriculture

Committee's program on farming from 2-4:00 pm at Town Hall.

<u>Code Enforcement Officer/Building Inspector</u> John Cashin and Christian Larsen summarized Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer activities for *February*:

New Building Permit Applications Received – 3; Change of Occupancy Application - 1

Building Permits Issued – 1; Building Inspections – 21; Outdoor Boilers/Woodstoves

Permits Issued – 4; Certificates of Occupancy granted – 7; Certificates of Compliance

Granted – 2; Junk Vehicle Complaints – 3; Court Appearances – 1; Zoning Violation

Investigations – (Cashin – 3 Zoning Violations); Code Violation Investigations –

(Larsen 31 – Zoning/Code Violations); Application Fees for February \$500.00

For *March*: New Building Permit Applications Received – 2; Building Permits Issued – 1; Building Inspections – 13; Demolition Permits Issued – 1; Certificates of Occupancy granted – 3; Certificates of Compliance Granted – 1; Junk Vehicle Complaints – 2; Court Appearances – 1; Zoning Violation Investigations – (Cashin – 1); Code Violation Investigations – (Cashin – 3); Larsen 11 – Zoning/Code Violations) Application Fees for March, 2009: \$1,406.90. Total Fees for Year to Date: \$2,116.90

<u>Newsletter</u> Chair Councilman Kuenster stated the current Newsletter issue should have been delivered to homes in the previous week.

Assessor Gordon Bennett reported Data Collection 2009 Field review is in its final days. We will be submitting the data for the 2009 Tentative Tax Roll in the next few days. The following dates were previously published: May 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> 9:00-1:00. Grievance Day is set for May 26<sup>th</sup>. Times available will be 12:00-3:00 pm and 7:00-9:00 pm. As is tradition we've been doing some spring cleaning and organizing. The property files have been restructured for easy access, exemption applications will be kept in the property record files; rearrangement has resulted in a surplus of hanging folders (Approx. 1200 +), that hopefully can be sold and the money be used for future purchases by the Assessor's Office. Wall shelves bear a lighter load, with the help of the Town Clerk's office retention schedule.

<u>Agriculture Committee</u> Chair Councilman Kuenster reported last week's meeting regarding dairy farm history in New Baltimore.

<u>Public Memorial Committee</u> met before last month's Work Meeting with 3 members present, hope to meet again soon.

Citizens' Bicentennial Committee will meet on April 18, 2009 from 10-12:00 noon.

<u>Planning Board</u> Chair Lee Davis reported for April: The Planning Board has met twice since its last report to the Town Board with the following business transacted: At the March 12, 2009, meeting, the Board:

- ...Received a Minor Subdivision Application for the four-lot subdivision of property owned by Page, Vitollo, Penu, Perniciaro and Kubica located off of Route 144. Required Public Hearing was tentatively scheduled for April and then postponed to 7:30 p.m. May 14 at request of applicants.
- ...Discussed with Harry (Butch) Medert, Jr. and his daughter their plans for reestablishing a corner store in a building owned by the Mederts at the corner of County Routes 26 and 51.

At the April 9, 2009, meeting, the Board:

- ...continued discussion with the Mederts regarding re-establishment of the corner store at Routes 26 and 51.
- ...Required Special Use Permit Application and Site Plan Application were submitted and accepted as complete.

Required Public Hearing was scheduled for 7:45 p.m., May 14.

...Discussed with Frank Orlando, Jr. and his attorney, George McHugh, Mr. Orlando's plans to go forward with the proposed storage unit facility/modular home sales business brought before the ZBA for Area Variance and Special Use Permit in 1996 as

well as before the Planning Board for Site Plan in 1996. There is to be no change in 1996 plans for the property located between 9W and Flatbush Road just north of Taylor Monument.

Ellie asked when an approval does not go with the land. Is there any time frame at all before these are allowed to go forward. Supervisor said the applicant had gone to Building Inspector, is a permitted use, in 1996 there was no expiration on site plan approvals, beginning in 2001 site plans do expire. Ellie said now it would have to be reconsidered. The applicant is still required to adhere to site plan that was approved.

Zoning Board of Appeals Chair Meave Tooher reported that the Zoning Board of Appeals did not meet on April 1, 2009, since there were no applications to come before the Board.

Recycling Center Operator Spencer Sebert received 13 tires without rims, fees totalling \$26.00, 33 60gallon bags of plastic, 12 55gallon drums of cans and aluminum, 73 bundles of magazines and phone books, 91 bags and bundles of newspaper, 15 bags of shredded paper, 42 boxes and bundles of cardboard, 1.5 ton of metal, and 1 tire from the Highway Department.

For <u>Town Hall Maintenance</u>: in the new hallway closet, Spencer moved the header, cut, routed, sanded and polyurethaned shelves, and attached the standards. Also, he repaired entry door latch, purchased bracket and bolts, and hung the Greene County Sheriff sign.

Animal Control Officer Joe Tanner reported traveling 430 miles in the last 3 months, has had 16 dog calls, 9 cat calls, 4 calls on a fox near the Circle of Friends on 9W, and 1 goat call. Regarding the fox on 9W/ Circle of Friends, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation will be contacted; the fox looked healthy, no loss of hair and good shape and foxes can be out during the day sunning themselves, looked into it and found out it's not uncommon -but it is close to the kids so will follow up. At the Greene County Public Health Free Rabies Clinic held on March 25, 2009, at Medway-Grapeville Firehouse, 138 cats and dogs (combined) were vaccinated.

For <u>Fire/EMS/Law Enforcement</u>. Councilman Norris reported: Alan VanWormer, the Town's Emergency Management Officer reports that on March 12, 2009, he assisted the New Baltimore Fire Department with a vehicle fire at State Route 144 and Washington Ave, involving a gasoline spill. The DEC was notified and responded to the scene. Upon arrival of DEC, determined the spill was safe due to the small amount of gasoline that made it into a nearby storm drain, it was not enough to pose a hazard, and praised all involved for using proper response procedures for the situation.

I have been advised by Alan that SEMO and FEMA will have all exit briefings put on hold due to the change from the emergency declaration of last month. The duration of the declaration has also been extended. The original declaration covered December 11<sup>th</sup> to December 15<sup>th</sup> 2008; the new declaration extends to December 31<sup>st</sup>. This means that sand, salt, equipment hours, and overtime for highway employees from December 15-31 will be reimbursable and substantially increase the reimbursement coming to the Town.

The Greene County Sheriff substation is up and running and I want to thank Councilman Byas for all the hard work he has put into getting the basement office together. The direct number for the Sheriff is 756-3300. Also, there will be an opening celebration on May 9<sup>th</sup> at 12:00noon; all are welcome.

The Town's Recorded Emergency information line 756-6600 was printed in the new issue of the Town's Newsletter, hoping it will be cut out and placed near a phone or on the refrigerator for future use.

For <u>Parks</u>, Councilwoman McKeon reported that last Tuesday the new **Greene IDA sign** was unveiled, attended by some Town Board members, thanked Cless for research he

completed. The old sign will be hung over the pavilion doorway by Spencer Sebert. June 6-7 will be New Baltimore's AgFest.

For <u>Promotion/Economic Development</u> Councilman Norris is planning **Business Breakfast** late June or July; there has been a change in restaurant at the **Shady Harbor Marina**, now the **Water's Edge**.

<u>For Grants.</u> Councilman Kuenster has been researching stimulus monies and learned that planning and design is reimbursable. Town of New Baltimore has opportunity for funding for Wastewater Treatment Plant rotors, possible 90% funding, in the category of energy efficiency; solar panels are possible; the deadline is May 29. Supervisor wants to meet with Councilman Byas and Central Hudson's Joe Hetzler about lighting for the Wastewater Plant.

For <u>Website and Technology</u>, Councilwoman McKeon reported that it was covered earlier with the new policy adopted.

For Personnel, Supervisor Louis had no report.

With no more from the Town Board or the public, Councilman Norris moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Byas.

**Motion Carried** 

Ayes-5 McKeon, Kuenster, Louis, Norris, Byas

Nays-0

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully,

Janet A. Brooks Town Clerk