

Regular Meeting -- Athens Town Board – March 4, 2013

The regular meeting of the Athens Town Board was called to order on March 4, 2013 at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Lee Palmateer with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The following people were present: Supervisor Lee Palmateer; Councilman Robert F. Butler, Jr.; Councilwoman April Paluch; Councilwoman Phyllis Dinkelacker; Councilman Steven Van Hoesen and Town Clerk Linda M. Stacey.

These people were also present: Attorney Virginia Benedict; Legislator Eugene J. Hatton; Judge Constance Pazin; Judge James H. Robinson, Jr.; Court Clerk Marcia R. Puorro; Court Clerk Vincenzina R. Carl and reporter Melanie Lekocevic.

The following bills were audited by the Board and ordered paid.

General Abstract #5, vouchers #93 through #115 inclusive for \$5,019.10.

Highway Abstract #4, vouchers #35 through #38 inclusive for \$1,600.51.

Eugene J. Hatton, Greene County Legislator, was first on the agenda.

As a Trustee to Athens Community Foundation Trust, Mr. Hatton reported on the Annual Investment Management Review. He handed out completed copies of the report to all Board members. Mr. Hatton gave a brief history of the investments, including the ‘institutes’ being used; history of the contributions; a list of the organizations that requested and received and were awarded money. Thirty-five (35) grants were distributed totaling \$163,117.00, to 30 separate Athens based qualifying civic, sports, cultural, fraternal, educational, and governmental groups. Including this cycle, the tenth annual round of grants by the Foundation, the number of grants over the life of the Foundation now totals 274, along with a total dollar figure disbursement of \$1,330,834.00.

Mr. Hatton was thanked for the report and his hard work on this committee.

Judges Constance Pazin; James H. Robinson, Jr. and Court Clerks Marcia R. Puorro and Vincenzina R. Carl came before for the Board for the Audit of the Justices books for 2012. Court Clerk Puorro went over the handout that she gave to all the Board members. She informed them that money received for parking tickets goes to the Village. Board members asked several questions, which were answered by the Judges and the Court Clerks.

On the motion of Councilwoman Phyllis Dinkelacker seconded by Councilwoman April Paluch the following **RESOLUTION #2013-18** to accept the report of the Justice Court for the audit of 2012 Court Books, was adopted. Ayes-5 (Palmateer; Butler; Paluch; Dinkelacker; Van Hoesen) Noes-0 Absent-0 Abstentions-0

Attorney Virginia Benedict informed the Board that the Assessor has been advised to settle the Certiorari case of Sandy Plains Holding.

Councilwoman Phyllis Dinkelacker made a motion seconded by Councilwoman April Paluch to accept and approve the Town Clerk’s Report as presented. Ayes-5 (Palmateer; Butler; Paluch; Dinkelacker; Van Hoesen) Noes-0 Absent-0 Abstentions-0

Town Board Members reviewed the Town Clerk’s Cash Book.

Councilwoman Phyllis Dinkelacker made a motion seconded by Councilman Steven Van Hoesen to approve the Town Clerk’s Cash Book. Ayes-5 (Palmateer; Butler; Paluch; Dinkelacker; Van Hoesen) Noes-0 Absent-0 Abstentions-0

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Councilwoman Phyllis Dinkelacker made a motion seconded by Councilwoman April Paluch *to approve the minutes of February 19, 2013 as corrected.* Ayes-5 (Palmateer; Butler; Paluch; Dinkelacker; Van Hoesen) Noes-0 Absent-0 Abstentions-0

Greene County Resolutions #86-13- Approving Reimbursement to Community Colleges; and Greene County Resolution #87-13-Authorizing Chargeback of Assessment Roll Related Services and Materials were reviewed by the Board.

Joint Landfill Information received for November 2012/ December 2012 and January 2013.

No firm date has been set as yet for the Spring Clean up Day.

Supervisor Lee Palmateer made a motion seconded by Councilwoman April Paluch to *go into Executive Session to have a Collective Bargaining Session.* Ayes-5 (Palmateer; Butler; Paluch; Dinkelacker; Van Hoesen) Noes-0 Absent-0 Abstentions-0 (Town Clerk Linda M. Stacey was Asked to leave at this time.) Time 8:10 pm.

Councilwoman Phyllis Dinkelacker made a motion seconded by Councilwoman April Paluch *to adjourn the Executive Session and reconvene the regular meeting.* Ayes-5 (Palmateer; Butler; Paluch; Dinkelacker; Van Hoesen) Noes-0 Absent-0 Abstentions-0 Time 9:30 pm.

As there was no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Councilwoman Phyllis Dinkelacker and seconded by Supervisor Lee Palmateer. Ayes-5 (Palmateer; Butler; Paluch; Dinkelacker; Van Hoesen) Noes-0 Absent-0 Abstentions-0

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.