

TOWN BOARD MEETING
July 22, 2015
7:00 PM

Supervisor Jamieson opened the meeting 7:05 PM followed by a salute to the flag. Members present: Supervisor Jamieson, Councilman Murray, Councilwoman Smith, Councilwoman Ranni, Councilman Valentine.

WALTON LAKE WATER TANK BID RESULTS

Supervisor Jamieson announced the bid opening results held on July 15, 2015 for the Walton Lake Water Tank project.

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| Statewide Aquastore, Inc., East Syracuse, NY | \$328,764.00 total |
| CalMart Enterprises, Inc., Congers, NY | \$332,332.00 total |
| F.S.R.C. Tanks Inc., Bolivar, OH | \$360,251.88 total |

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Councilman Murray and seconded by Councilwoman Ranni to accept the lowest responsible bid from Statewide Aquastore, Inc. of \$328,764.00. Motion carried 5-0.

EDUCATION REQUEST

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Councilman Murray and seconded by Councilman Valentine to approve the attendance of Anthony LaSpina, Highway Superintendent to the 2015 NYS Association of Towns Supt. of Highways Fall Conference from September 15, 2015 to September 18, 2015 with all fees to be paid through the highway superintendent's account. Motion carried 5-0.

HOMELAND TOWERS

Supervisor Jamieson addressed the Board with regard to the contract with Homeland Towers and received consensus from the Board to have the attorney review for completeness before planning board approval consideration.

SHERMAN VS. TOWN OF CHESTER

Supervisor Jamieson explained that the Town of Chester had come to an agreement with Mrs. Sherman regarding a partial refund of fees paid to the Planning Board. Attorney Bonacic explained that an Article 78 brought by Mr. Sherman concerning fees paid to the Planning Board in an amount over \$20,000 resulted in this settlement. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Councilman Valentine and seconded by Councilwoman Ranni to authorize the Supervisor to sign the check in the amount of \$3,000 in settlement of the Sherman vs. Town of Chester litigation. Motion carried 5-0.

PARTIAL REFUND OF AREA VARIANCE REQUEST

Supervisor Jamieson stated that the request for a partial refund of an area variance fee be tabled pending his discussion with the Zoning Board Chair.

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT

Supervisor Jamieson announced that an Eagle Scout would like to come in front of the Board at the next meeting to discuss his ideas for a signage project at the entrance to the Chester Commons, to be in accord with the entrance design to Knapp's View.

MEETING CANCELLATION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Councilman Murray and seconded by Councilwoman Ranni to cancel the regularly scheduled meeting on August 26, 2015. Motion carried 5-0.

TOWN BOARD COMMENTS

Councilwoman Smith commented that the fireworks display went off well. There were a lot of volunteers that helped. She commended the highway department and parks and recreation for the work done at the parking lot at Carpenter Field. She announced "Night at the Museum 3" would be shown on August 6th, the Town's movie night to be held at the SLPAC.

Supervisor Jamieson added that the fireworks event with Robby Valentine and his band along with all the music and Richard Logothetis' contribution to the stage and sound made for a great day.

Supervisor Jamieson said that Highway Superintendent Anthony LaSpina showed him Carpenter field which was black topped and lined and Surrey Meadows which is being black topped. He said things look good around town and he thanked everyone involved for their hard work.

POLICE DEPARTMENT 40TH ANNIVERSARY

Supervisor Jamieson announced that today, July 22, 2015 marks the 40th year of the Chester Police Department's service to the Town. He thanked the many dignitaries who are in attendance to celebrate the milestone, and invited anyone who would like to speak to step to the podium.

Former Supervisor Margaret Grumbach thanked the Police Department for all the work they have done for the Town. She said she always received wonderful reports and the police always conduct themselves as gentlemen.

Mr. Tim Diltz, Town Supervisor from 1990-1992, and former Police Commissioner presented Police Chief Doellinger a Norman Rockwell, "The Runaway" with an inscription of appreciation for the fine work of the Chester Police Department on their celebration of their 40th anniversary.

County Legislator John Vero presented Police Chief Doellinger and the Chester Police Department with a Distinguished Service Award from the County of Orange. He remembered when in college he read the community wanted the police department formation. He said every day is not a common day for police. They do not know what they will run into when they come to work and hope they get home safe at night. He offered congratulations to the Chief and the Department.

Supervisor Jamieson commented that as a Board member in 2006, the Police Department was voted in as a full-time department. He said as a member of the Board, he had the pleasure of choosing Dan Doellinger as Chief when Brian Jarvis retired. Supervisor Jamieson said the police officers are great guys and they are all met when they come into the department. He added that under Chief Doellinger the department is very community oriented, as the Chief is also involved in the fire department, and the Town is very lucky to have him and the other officers that protect us. He said from his personal involvement he wanted to thank the police department and on behalf of the Town and Town Board, Supervisor Jamieson presented Chief Doellinger with the following proclamation:

WHEREAS, the health and safety of the citizens of the Town of Chester is most cherished; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Chester desires to recognize the CHESTER POLICE DEPARTMENT for their 40 years of dedicated community commitment; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Chester Police Department was first established by Town Board Resolution on July 22, 1975; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Constable, Chief Victor Roggia became the department's first Chief of Police; and

WHEREAS, the original roster of the Chester Police Department consisted of Sgt. James Jordan, Officer Gene Iannuzzi, Officer Ed McKay, Officer Frank Roggia and Officer Charles Semmels; and

WHEREAS, the additional hiring during the first year included Officer Claude Brischoux, Officer Arthur Connolly, Officer Antonio Estrada, Officer William Haglund, Officer Andrew Pivaroff; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department served the community with part-time Police Officers until 1991, when Officer Teresa Dobbertin, the first full-time Police Officer was hired; and

WHEREAS, Chief Dennis Nolan, the first full-time Police Chief, was hired in 1992, Detective Sal Ardisi was the first full-time Detective in 2000, Sgt. Dan Doellinger was the first full-time Sergeant in 2001; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department began sixteen hour coverage in 1992 and round-the-clock coverage in January 2007; and

WHEREAS, the year 2015 marks the Chester Police Department's 9th year of providing 24 hour-a-day service to the community; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department Roster as of June 20, 2015 includes Chief Daniel Doellinger, Sgt. Norman Vitale, Sgt. Richard Eckert, Sgt. David Slowik, Det. Janice Oppmann, Det. Robert Ferrara, Officer Richard Perez, Officer Curt Natalizio, Officer Robert Bird, Officer Lee Weinstein, Officer Deana Santosky-Wright, Officer Lee Slaughter, Officer Robert Stack, Officer Christopher D'Agnese, Officer John Maglione, Officer Joshua Dugan, Officer James Abrahamsen, and Officer Kenneth Rosengrant; and

WHEREAS, the Chester Police Department has grown to 18 dedicated police members and two support staff personnel who routinely extend themselves tirelessly in the aid of their fellow man; and

WHEREAS, the Chester Police Department comes to the aid of the citizens of Chester each and every day resulting in the protection and preservation of the lives of our citizens; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Chester wish to commend the Town of Chester Police Department for their dedication and hard work and congratulate them on 40 years of outstanding service to the residents of Chester.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Proclamation shall be spread upon the minutes of the official proceedings of the Town Board of the Town of Chester.

Dated this 22nd day of July, 2015

Town of Chester

Town Board

Alexander Jamieson, Supervisor

Chief Doellinger said he was honored to accept all the accolades on behalf of the department's officers and clerks, as he said he is not the department which is made up of all of these people and he is happy to be joined by and appreciates the acknowledgements made by all the former supervisors, officers, legislator and current Supervisor and Town Board. He said 40 years is a long time but not a long time and he has lived in the Town throughout that time and received services and been in the Police Department for half of that time and given services. He thanked all for coming, and the Town Supervisor, Town Board and Town Clerk for arranging the evening.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Edie Johnson asked the status of Camp LaGuardia. Supervisor Jamieson answered that the Town was working on it.

Scott Bonacic acknowledged former Town Clerk, Betty Ann Reilly in attendance.

Supervisor Jamieson invited all to join the celebration for the Police Department following the meeting.

There being no further business brought before the Board, A MOTION WAS MADE BY Councilman Murray and seconded by Councilman Valentine to adjourn the meeting at 7:30pm. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda A. Zappala
Town Clerk
2015-07-22