



## **REPORTS:**

Town Board – Councilman Halsey reported on his contact with Certified Canine Services, Inc. regarding a possible dog shelter service agreement in the future.

Assessor- Rhonda Weigand's report for July is on file in the Town Clerk's office. The Town of Sandy Creek's equalization rate will remain at 100% for 2015. Albany may be sending rebate checks to home owners receiving the Star exemption again, but we have no details at this time.

Dog Control Officer- Elisa Dunn's written report for July was received tonight. There has been an issue with a dog owner and a former DCO. There is also a pending dog abuse/neglect case. A Deputy Sheriff directed DCO Dunn to take the dog for emergency care on July 19<sup>th</sup>.

Historian – Charlene Cole's monthly report is on file in the Town Clerk's office and available for public inspection. Two Sandy Creek Fair items have been donated to the Town by Jeff VanRy. The doctor book will be printed soon. Mrs. Hollis is contributing to it.

Town Justice- The judges' reports for July have been received by the Town Supervisor and filed in the Town Clerk's office.

Legislator – Margaret Kastler reported that another tire collection day will be held at the county transfer stations on August 15<sup>th</sup> from 8 am until noon. Tractor tires must be cut into four pieces. The tick population has increased in Oswego County. The public needs to be aware of steps to prevent tick bites. West Nile and EEE viruses are also here. The county will be spraying for mosquitoes in the Central Square area. The public is asked to remove all standing water from their property and to refresh bird baths frequently. She asked if Supervisor Ridgeway had received information on the Upstate Revitalization Program. The legislature meets at the H. Douglas Barclay Courthouse in Pulaski on August 13<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm. Superintendent Kastler asked if the snow and ice agreement with the towns would be on their agenda. There are some issues regarding liability in the current draft of the agreement. The Town of Sandy Creek may need to approve this agreement in October.

Library- President Michelle Farrand reported that the library is now fully staffed. The highway department and the village have been supportive of the library's parking issues. The board would like signage stating that the parking lot is for library parking only from 9 am to 9 pm on days the library is open. Superintendent Kastler has volunteered to stripe the parking lot. An accessible sign for the disabled needs to be installed. They would also like to make the library campus tobacco, drug and alcohol free. The trustees are still working on finding a carpenter to construct shelving to complete the grant project. The next regular meeting of the library's Board of Trustees will be on Tuesday, September 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 pm. A special budget meeting will be announced soon. Library Director Jessica Godfrey reported that she has hired Celicia Robbins as an assistant. She is currently working with the Summer Reading Program. She also hired assistant Tiarra Mintonye who has been doing the Summer Story Hour. Books that have not been checked out of the library since 2007 have been removed to make shelf space and are for sale in the shed. Nothing from the local history or genealogy section was removed. Ms. Godfrey is looking into doing some restoration work on some old history books. Superintendent Kastler added that a septic/leach field project is planned at the library.

NOCA – Northern Oswego County Ambulance has filed their 2016 budget with the town.

Planning Board – The Sandy Creek Regional Planning Board Chairman Shirley Rice reported on the August 4<sup>th</sup> meeting. This report is on file in the office of the Town Clerk. The Presley public hearing was held. Their 2016 budget will be the same as this year. Their financial Annual Update Document has been submitted to the Office of the State Comptroller. Possible violations were discussed.

**PUBLIC HEARING: Comprehensive Plan**

At 7:39 pm Supervisor Nancy Ridgeway opened the public hearing for the Comprehensive Plan. No one present spoke in favor of or against the Comprehensive Plan and the public hearing was immediately closed.

**REPORTS, continued:**

Highway/Water Superintendent – Superintendent Mike Kastler filed his reports in the Town Clerk's office. He read his highway report first. He would like to put blacktopping out for bid to be opened at the special meeting on August 26<sup>th</sup>. He would also like to replace the lawn mower. One with a 42" or smaller deck is needed for the cemeteries. The highway is running out of sand in the gravel pit. The town needs to look into obtaining more property or may need to haul sand from Altmar in the future. Superintendent Kastler will be attending the Annual Superintendent of Highways school in Saratoga on September 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. They are working on completing the punch list for Water District #1. On September 20<sup>th</sup> at 10 am bids will be opened for Contract #5 of WD#1. Water Operator Eric Pappa has been flushing water valves. The meter reader is scheduled to be delivered in September. A training session will be held. Requests for EDU adjustments are ongoing. An entry level water operator (Class D) training class will be held in Cortland September 21<sup>st</sup> -25<sup>th</sup>. Superintendent Kastler is interested in taking the class with a second highway employee. The cost is \$550.00 each. Mr. Catania wants forgiveness for his high water bill, however he was not present to address the issue at this meeting.

Water Advisory Committee – Chairman Norma Newman reported. Minutes from the August 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting have been filed in the Town Clerk's office. The committee is working on the proposed Water District#3 and is also looking into the LaComb property EDU assessments.

Code Enforcement Officer – John Howland's report for July is on file in the Town Clerk's office. Out of the seven permits, two are for new homes being built. Camping trailers were discussed. CEO Howland will attend FEMA school in Oswego September 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. The flood zone maps are inaccurate in many areas.

Town Clerk – Tammy Miller reported that receipts and total disbursements for the month of July totaled \$2,324.75. This report is on file in her office and available for public inspection. The Sandy Pond Sportsmen's Association filed the 30 day advanced notice for their liquor license due to expire on September 30, 2015.

Barton & Loguidice – Dustin J. Clark, P.E., Senior Project Engineer was present to give an update on the water projects. The punch list items in Water District #1 are complete. Contracts 2 and 4 require Town Board approval of change orders and credits will be applied. The water tank work is done. Bids for contract #5 will be opened on August 20<sup>th</sup> at 10 am. Water Clerk Brittany Washburn will accept the bids that come in that morning. Nothing has been received from the DEC in response to permit applications for



