

JUNE 2, 2011 – WORK SESSION

Minutes of a work session of the Town Board of the Town of Somers held on Thursday evening June 2, 2011 at 6:55 PM at the Town House, 335 Route 202, Somers, New York.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Supervisor Mary Beth Murphy
 Councilman Harold R. Bolton
 Councilman Richard G. Clinchy
 Councilman Frederick J. Morrissey
 Councilman Thomas A. Garrity, Jr.

ABSENT:

Also present were Kathleen R. Pacella, Town Clerk, Patricia Kalba, Deputy Town Clerk and Roland A. Baroni, Jr., Town Attorney.

The Supervisor said that it was in order for the Board to enter into an executive session in connection with personnel as it regards to Insurance Brokers.

Thereupon motion of Supervisor Murphy, seconded by Councilman Morrissey, the meeting was adjourned to an executive session to discuss personnel matters in connection with Insurance Brokers at 6:55 PM to return that evening.

7:30 PM – meeting reconvened

The Supervisor invited Boy Scout Peter Ferretti. to lead the Board with the Pledge of Allegiance.

This being a work session the following actions were taken:

Insurance
Brokers

The Supervisor said that the first item on the agenda was with regard to Insurance Brokers. She said that the Board went out to bid after their last meeting and they did receive two bids that they discussed. She said that the Board should make a motion to invite Morris H. Bannister & Son, Inc. to quote Use and Casualty, Markel and PERMA and Spain Agency, Inc. to quote NYMIR for the Town's Insurance. The Supervisor said that the Town's current Insurance Company would also be quoting the various companies that they had in the past.

Thereupon motion of Councilman Garrity, seconded by Councilman Morrissey, it was unanimously,

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby invite Morris H. Bannister & Son, Inc. to quote Use and Casualty, Markel and PERMA and Spain Agency, Inc. to quote NYMIR for the Town's Insurance.

Intent to
develop
ICF by
Opengate

The Supervisor said that the next item was with regard to Opengate. She said that they received formal notification of their intent to develop an ICF (Intermediate Care Facility) at their current Administration Building on Warren Street. The Supervisor said as she had mentioned in the past she serves on the Board of Directors of Opengate, therefore she would be recusing herself from any discussion with regard to this issue.

The Supervisor said that she wanted to add to the resolution with regard to Insurance that the quote needed to be returned to the Town by June 27, 2011. She asked her Secretary to make sure that both of the Insurance Companies were contacted the next morning, so that they would know that the Town Board was asking them to provide a different quote by June 27, 2011.

Urban
County
Consortium

The Supervisor said that at the special meeting May 19th the Board discussed the CDBG opt in opt out matter and adopted a resolution to opt out. She explained that since then there had been a lot of discussion among the Supervisors and their Counsel with regard to this issue and she wanted to update the Board with regard to those discussions. She said that the census among most of the Supervisors was to do nothing; neither opt in nor opt

JUNE 2, 2011 – WORK SESSION

out. The Supervisor explained that the reason for that was because if there were other not-for-profits who may wish to provide services in the community they would not be able to provide those services. She said that the other thing was that doing nothing did not really commit the Town because they did not sign a new contract. Discussion ensued with regard the decision to opt out of the Urban County Consortium. The Board agreed that they would rescind the resolution of May 19, 2011.

Thereupon motion of Councilman Garrity, seconded by Councilman Morrissey, it was unanimously,

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby rescind the resolution passed at the Somers Town Board Special Meeting held May 19, 2011 opting out of the Urban County Consortium for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME funds for FY 2012-2014 (May 1, 2012 – April 30, 2015.)

This being a work session there were no further actions taken.

Thereupon motion of Supervisor Murphy, seconded by Councilman Garrity the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Town Clerk