

**WALWORTH TOWN BOARD – TRI – BOARD MEETING
18 MARCH 2010**

Presiding Supervisor Plant called the scheduled Town Board Tri-Board Meeting, with the Ontario Town Board and the Wayne Central School District Board (Tri Board) held at the Walworth Town Hall, 3600 Lorraine Drive, to order at 7:00 PM.

Town of Ontario:

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| Present: | Bob Kelsch | Supervisor |
| | Jason Ruffell | Councilman |
| | Stephen Tobin | Councilman |
| | Frank Robusto | Councilman |
| Absent: | Lori Eaton-Smith | Councilwoman |

Wayne Central School District:

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| Present: | Michael Havens | Superintendent |
| | Greg Atseff | Assistant Superintendent/Business |
| | Susan Newman | Vice President |
| | Dom Paz | Board Member |
| | Tom Nicholson | Board Member |
| | Frank Robusto | Board Member |
| | Joyce Lyke | Board Member |
| | Jacqueline Brunner | Board Member |
| | Scott Griswold | Board Member |
| | Jeff Schultz | Board Member |
| | Jim Switzer | District Clerk |
| | Amy Gebhardt | Public Relations Specialist |
| | Kim Cox | Assistant Superintendent/Instruction |

Town of Walworth:

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| Present: | Robert Plant | Town Supervisor |
| | Thomas Yale | Councilman |
| | Patricia Marini | Councilwoman |
| | Susie Jacobs | Town Clerk |
| | Frank Maciuska | Councilman |
| Absent: | Suzi Hawkins-Mance | Councilwoman |

WAYNE CENTRAL BOARD OF EDUCATION:

WAYNE CENTRAL EDUCATION FOUNDATION:

Amy Gebhardt spoke regarding the Wayne Central Education Foundation a charitable organization, founded in 2005 to provide funding to enrich the educational experience for students enrolled in grades K-12 in the Wayne Central School District. A public school foundation is designed to augment, supplement, or complement programs and activities currently being provided by the district outside of the scope of the annual budget. It was also noted that the foundation currently has three openings on its board of directors, and volunteers are always welcomed.

WAYNE CENTRAL SCHOOL BUDGET UPDATE:

Discussion ensued with brief rundown of the district's current financial and educational status. Wayne Central School board is preparing its proposed 2010-11 budget and will vote on it on April 9th meeting. It will then go before a district wide vote on May 18th. Superintendent Havens commented that at this point, the proposed new budget will not cut any programming or staff and will not increase the residential tax rate. Due to retirements, Freewill Elementary School and the Middle School Principals are being replaced as well as the Superintendent of Schools. Also noted was that Wayne Central School District was one of 36 school districts recognized for outstanding fiscal policies in New York State. Further discussion ensued.

KNICKERBOCKER ROAD PROJECT:

Supervisor Kelsch stated that Knickerbocker Road work will begin in May and be completed by the new 2010/2011 school year. The County project will include new sewer lines and sidewalks.

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TOWN OF ONTARIO:

LANDFILL COMPLETION:

Supervisor Kelsch indicated that the landfill has been redeveloped and completed. The DEC has given permission to use the 42 acres for public use. The DEC stated that the land cannot be used for building or other development.

WATER BILL INCREASE:

It was reported that decreasing fund balances are forcing an increase for residents for water usage. In previous years, Town of Ontario water residents received their first 5,000 gallons a month free. This is no longer the case and as of April 1, 2010, the Town will begin charging for the entire water usage. The funds were depleted and improvements and routine maintenance were in danger of being cut. The rate will remain at \$2.85 per thousand and will not increase. They hope to eventually restore the 5,000 free gallons in the future.

TOWN OF WALWORTH:

MS4 COALITION:

Supervisor Plant gave an overview of the New York State Unfunded Mandate MS4 system and how it affects some municipalities. The Town of Walworth was having concerns about payments to the Coalition and acted on it. Supervisor Plant stated that he received a letter from Ontario Wayne Storm Water Coalition to the Genesee Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council advising them that they are notifying them that OWSC is electing to terminate their agreement pursuant to the terms specified in the "Cancellation of Agreement". All work, paper files and digital files that are property of the Coalition shall be organized and readied for transfer to the Coalition with the next 30 days. He explained the financials of how much was contributed by the nine members of the Coalition. Discussion ensued.

Councilwoman Hawkins-Mance entered the meeting at 7:25 PM.

SENIOR HOUSING TAX REDUCTION:

Supervisor Plant opened up the floor for ideas on the possibility of a future senior housing tax reduction for senior only communities. A state governed homeowner association must preside. This would allow eligible residents to receive a reduction in school taxes. Discussion ensued.

Superintendent Havens challenged Wayne Central students to ask one question of the Boards. Wayne Central senior Jesse Mintz asked how the second quarter grades were and how they compared to the state average. Wayne Central Board of Education replied that the grades were outstanding with all freshman classes averaging 95 percent and graduation rates at 89 percent and they were striving to close the gap. They are working to improve the student grades for upper level math and chemistry.

The next Tri-Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 21, 2010 hosted by the Wayne Central Board of Education.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susie C. Jacobs
Town Clerk