

State of New York
County of Fulton
Town of Caroga

Minutes of a Caroga Town Board work session held Wednesday December 2, 2009 at the municipal building located at 1840 State Highway #10 at 6:30 pm with the following persons in attendance by Roll Call:

Supervisor Selmsler - Here
Councilman Ralph Palcovic - Here
Councilman Robert Sprung - Here
Council Member Valerie Scribner - Here
Councilman Robert Sullivan - Here

Others in attendance were Chuck Herman of Lockpointe Inc and three residents.

Supervisor Selmsler opened the meeting with the salute to the flag. The board then looked at samples of roofing shingles and stain colors for the shed being built behind the old section of the municipal building. The board selected Heather Blend for the roof and Baked Brick (solid) stain for the siding. No trim color was selected.

The board began reviewing two personnel policies – one from the Town of Wells and another from the Town of Ballston. Both were examined to try to create a document for the Town of Caroga. Council Member Scribner and Councilman Sullivan made reference to a personnel policy book from Mang Insurance. The other board members did not have the book with them so another meeting will be set to begin reviewing the information from the Mang Agency and revising sections to fit the towns needs.

At 7: 26 pm Chuck Herman arrived. He handed out a sheet with insurance rates for Blue Shield of North Eastern NY effective January 1, 2010. He stated that the current policy (PPO 815) is not available next year. The board discussed and examined four other options with Mr. Herman. He noted that a decision needed to be made by December 18, 2009.

RESOLUTION to change the Health Insurance Plan for employees #2009-000

Offered by councilman Sprung

Seconded by Councilman Sullivan

WHEREAS, the Caroga Town Board held a work session on Wednesday December 2, 2009, and

WHEREAS, Chuck Herman of Lockpointe inc. PO Box 12425 Albany NY 12212-2425 discussed the current health insurance policy and presented information to the board on the four options for health insurance for town employees for the year 2010, and

WHEREAS, the board did review and discuss these options, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Caroga Town Board does hereby move to enroll town employees in the EPO Sky Plan 2 (5006) for the year 2010.

Unanimously Carried

Supervisor Selmsler and the board discussed briefly the equalization rate and the effect it has on the county tax rate. Councilman Sprung asked the status of the small claims cases that were filed as a result of grievance day. He would like the board to be kept abreast of this issue.

Supervisor Selmsler discussed options to get the town's equalization rate up. He noted that the Town of Bleecker supervisor has offered to look at the towns assessed state land. Updating the lake front areas assessment was also discussed, as was hiring a consultant to examine the assessment roll.

The board briefly discussed a recent dangerous dog issue that was in court. There was a postponement of a ticket issued by the Code Enforcement Officer into court and the matter has not been rescheduled as yet. The board was unsure of the justice court calendar.

At 8:45 pm Councilman Sprung made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Sullivan seconded the motion. Unanimously carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda M. Gilbert – RMC, CMC