

JANUARY 19, 2010

A Special Meeting of the Greenwich Town Board was held on Tuesday, January 19, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of auditing the 2009 records of various Town departments and to conduct any other business that may come before the Board.

PRESENT:	Sara Idleman	Supervisor
	Bob Jeffords	Councilman
	Steven Patrick	Councilman
	George Perkins	Councilman
	Eric Whitehouse	Councilman

Others Present: Elaine Kelly and Town Justice Sherwin Bowen.

Supervisor Idleman led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and the Clerk called the roll.

AUDIT OF BOOKS FOR 2009: The Board reviewed the records from the offices of the Justice John Pemrick, Justice Sherwin Bowen and Town Clerk/Tax Collector Elaine Kelly.

1) Town Clerk Elaine Kelly reported that 2009 showed an increase in revenues of 9 ¼ % over 2008. Dog license revenue increased by 6 %, Department of Environmental Conservation license sales more than doubled at 110% and trash sticker sales decreased by \$481.00 from \$189,002.50 to \$188,521.50.

RESOLUTION NO. 7-10
Audit & Approval for 2009/Town Clerk Records

Resolution by Councilman Jeffords
Seconded by Councilman Whitehouse

and passed unanimously by said Board,

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk's report for the Year 2009 be approved and accepted as submitted.

2) RESOLUTION NO. 8-10
Audit & Approval for 2009/Tax Collector Records

Resolution by Councilman Whitehouse
Seconded by Councilman Perkins

and passed unanimously by said Board,

RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector's report for the Year 2009 be approved and accepted as submitted.

3) RESOLUTION NO. 9-10
Audit & Approval for 2009/Justice Pemrick

Resolution by Councilman Patrick
Seconded by Councilman Jeffords

and passed unanimously by said Board,

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RESOLVED, that records of Justice John Pemrick for the Year 2009 be approved and accepted as submitted.

As of January 1, 2010, the Town now has one Town Justice position, that of Justice Bowen. Justice John Pemrick is currently transferring his records to Justice Bowen.

4) Town Justice Sherwin Bowen stated that the State of New York Unified Court System conducted a security assessment of his court. Copies of the report were distributed to the Board members. Judge Bowen stated that there are grants available to aid in updating some of the items listed. He will compile a list of his recommendations and come back to the Board prior to applying for a grant.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-10
Audit & Approval for 2009/Justice Bowen

Resolution by Councilman Patrick
Seconded by Councilmen Perkins

and passed unanimously by said Board,

RESOLVED, that records of Justice Sherwin Bowen for the Year 2009 be approved and accepted as submitted.

5) Supervisor Idleman stated that Councilman Jeffords requested that the Board discuss whether or not to send out assessment impact notices this year. Assessor Colleen Adamec doesn't want to send them out as she feels they will confuse the public, however, this is a board decision. On average, assessments are showing a 5% decrease for 2010. Sherwin Bowen stated that Colleen had asked his opinion and he thought the notices should be sent as this is when people will learn how the system works. Councilman Jeffords said that in recent years assessments have constantly been going up and so have taxes and everyone has been blaming it on their assessments. This year residents will see their assessments go down and possibly their taxes still going up. Bob continued by saying that Colleen has to send "change" notices but if she doesn't send impact notices then the Town may not qualify for our aid and he doesn't see the sense in taking that chance.

RESOLUTION NO. 11-10
Assessment Impact Notices

Resolution by Councilman Jeffords
Seconded by Councilmen Whitehouse

and passed unanimously by said Board,

RESOLVED, that Assessor Colleen Adamec send out assessment impact notices for 2010.

6) The Planning Board invited the Town Board to a joint meeting on Thursday, February 18th at 7 PM. Because this is the date of the Planning Board's regular monthly business meeting, Supervisor Idleman will verify the date with Planning Board Chairman Bill Tomkins.

7) Supervisor Idleman updated the Board on her plans for the roundtable discussion on economic development. She is planning this for either a Monday or a Friday after March 15. Several local business owners will be invited as well as representatives from the Village of Greenwich, Chamber of

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Commerce, Washington County LDC, and the Town Planning Board among others. Supervisor Idleman would like at least one Councilman to attend. Councilman Jeffords volunteered. Councilmen Perkins and Whitehouse stated they would also attend depending on the actual date and time.

8) Supervisor Idleman stated that she and Mayor Doonan plan to work very closely on shared services and will also will be looking into the issue of possible consolidation.

Motion by Councilman Perkins
Seconded by Councilman Patrick

and passed unanimously by said Board,

that the meeting be adjourned at 7:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine A. Kelly, RMC, CMC
Town Clerk