

December 20, 2012

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 20th of December 2012 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Ken Helms Jr.	Councilman
Mary Anne Bush	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Highway Supt., Connie Fontaine, Mike Moses, and Mary Pound.

Supervisor Canon called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the minutes of the December 11, 2012 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the General Fund Abstract #24 in the amount of \$34823.63. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #24 in the amount of \$19124.39. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Water Fund Abstract #12 in the amount of \$333.30 and the Sewer Fund Abstract #12 in the amount of \$322.99. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

The Town Board received an employment application from Rick Bailey.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the proposal for a dump box for the Highway plow truck at a cost of \$65078.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

There will be a meeting January 15, at the Newcomb Town Hall at 3:00 pm with the NYS Dept of Health, AES, Claude Cormier, a hydrologist, and the Town Board. There will be discussion on the Water grant and what the Town should do.

The Town Board should start thinking about what should be done first to begin with the Smart Growth project.

The January meetings were tentatively set for January 15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. Town Board meetings will begin at 6pm starting in 2013 on a trial basis to see how they work out.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

December 11, 2012

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 11th of December 2012 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Ken Helms Jr.	Councilman
Mary Anne Bush	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Mike Moses, Connie Fontaine, Monica Young, Bob Lilly and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the November 27, 2012 meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the General Fund Abstract #23 in the amount of \$145150.39. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #23 in the amount of \$84084.28. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capitol Projects #5 Smart Growth Abstract #11 in the amount of \$625.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Bob Lilly made a presentation to the Board on the Smart Growth Plan. The plan has been finalized and available for review. This is a formal policy document that sets policy but there can be changes made on any of the plans. The next step will be to find funding options and set priorities on what to do first. The committee recommends that we work on the marketing and branding aspects of the plan. They recommend that we start with small visible projects and signage. We also need to advocate the NYS DOT for road improvements. There is a statewide agenda for sidewalks and bikeways.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to adopt the plan, with sincere appreciation to all those that served on the committee, and authorize Type 2 action with reference to Section 6175c21 of SEQRA subsection C. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms for a Resolution in support of Complete Streets Resolution from Essex County DOH. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

The Town has received employment applications from Janice Wright and Amanda Bush for work at the Ski Tow.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to authorize the renewal of the Liquor Liability Policy for the Clubhouse. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Supervisor Canon provided a copy of the joint letter to Time Warner Cable from the Towns of Long Lake, Minerva and Newcomb in regard to the shutting down of the cable.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the subcontract for support services in connection with the NYS Snow and Ice Contract with Essex County. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Water and Sewer billing for the fourth quarter is as follows:  
Water - \$8444.40    Sewer - \$7084.00    Total - \$15528.00

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the proposal from Overhead Door for a new door for the garage in the amount of \$1695.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

The work at the Sewer plant is started. The conduit is in the ground and they are waiting on the valves and the electrical box.

The Town of Newcomb water district has been approved for a \$2 million grant and over \$3 million for interest free financing. We need to begin researching our options for this.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the purchase of two pickups for the Highway Department at State Contract price of \$20302.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the quote for a sander at a cost of \$14974.00. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the revised Conservation Easement for the Chain Lakes tract. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

November 27, 2012

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 27th of November 2012 at 6:30 P..M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Mary Anne Bush	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Ken Helms	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Mike Moses and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2012 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the General Fund Abstract #22 in the amount of \$34433.90. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #22 in the amount of \$16500.07. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the Water Abstract #11 in the amount of \$1266.54 and the Sewer Abstract #11 in the amount of \$293.97. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capitol Projects # 3 Buildings Abstract #13 in the amount of \$479.13. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capitol Projects #11 Golf Course Abstract #2 in the amount of \$1780.00. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

There was discussion on finding a substitute landfill attendant. There are several people on file that have expressed interest in working for the Town. Town will check with them to see who is interested.

The Friend Monument at the Town Ski Tow is in need of repair. The wooden skies have rotted over time. Supervisor Canon will speak with maintenance and see if they can repair it.

Rozelle East should be at the Sewer Plant on Thursday November 29 to run the conduit from the building. They should be able to install the valves in a couple of weeks. The last thing will be the logic board.

Supervisor Canon was unable to contact the people who will be installing the Solar Bee at the water tower.

Supervisors from Minerva, Long Lake, and Newcomb have written a letter to Time Warner Cable to see if they would have any interest in buying the Chain Lakes Cable company.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to support the Essex County Historical Society. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms for a Resolution in support of the concept of map amendments to transfer building rights on parcels included in New York State's purchase of 69,000 acres of former Finch Pruyn forest lands to other parcels in the same town suitable for building. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Northeast Petroleum has ordered the necessary parts to bring our tanks into compliance and they will let us know.

December meetings were tentatively set for December 11 and 20<sup>th</sup>. The 2013 Organizational meeting was tentatively set for January 1, at 10:00 am.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted \_\_\_\_\_

November 13, 2012

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 13th of November 2012 at 7:00 P..M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Mary Anne Bush	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Ken Helms	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Eugene Bush, Mike Moses, Connie Fontaine, Monica Young and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the October 30, 2012 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the General Fund Abstract #21 in the amount of \$18378.95. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #21 in the amount of \$4761.10. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capitol Projects # 3 Buildings Abstract #14 in the amount of \$1756.71. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capitol Projects #5 Smart Growth Abstract #10 in the amount of \$4825.00. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

The Town Board received an employment application from Charles Olmsted.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to adopt the 2013 Town Budget. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

The Town Board has received a claim from Norman Fifield for a new well pump. A copy of the Stipulation of Settlement was referenced and under the agreement the claimants agreed that they would receive a full and final payment for any claims against the Town and therefore the Town is unable to pay the claim.

We are awaiting a meeting with the man who will be installing the Solar Bee system in the water tower. Supervisor Canon will try to contact him tomorrow.

Clough Harbor sent a proposal for a feasibility study for the Golf Course expansion. It was decided to table the discussion on the proposal.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to acknowledge the audit of the Town Justice books. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the amendment to the water tower lease agreement. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the draft of the easement terms for the float plane reservations and gravel pits on the Essex Chain and Indian River Tracts from the Nature Conservancy. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

The Town received a fuel tank violation notice from the DEC. At the request of the Town, Northeast Petroleum visited the site and made several recommendations. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the recommendations subject to review with

Northeast Petroleum, regarding the purchase of a new tank. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

The Town received a notice from Chain Lakes Cable. They will shut down service effective December 31, 2012.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted \_\_\_\_\_

October 30, 2012

At the Public Hearing of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 30<sup>th</sup> of October 2012 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Kenneth Helms Jr.	Councilman
Mary Anne Bush	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Mike Moses, Monica Decoteau, Connie Fontaine, Pat Bean and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the minutes of the October 15, 2012 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the General Fund Abstract #20 in the amount of \$22789.59. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #20 in the amount of \$6783.90. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Water Abstract #10 in the amount of \$3909.33 and the Sewer Abstract #10 in the amount of \$1052.19. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capitol Projects #3 Buildings Abstract #10 in the amount of \$1005.47. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capitol Projects #11 Golf Course Abstract # 1 in the amount of \$10218.55. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capitol Projects #8 Santanoni Abstract #13 in the amount of \$2728.10. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Supervisor Canon went over some of the 2013 Budget changes. One major change in the Sewer Budget is to change payroll for Tracy Smith to one time per month. Fire Protection budget is \$300000. The Homestead rate is increased by \$.15 and the Non- Homestead rate will remain the same. The 2013 tax levy is decreased by \$185000.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the request by the medical center to accept the proposal from Athena Health for the communicator service proposal at \$380. per month. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

The Town has received employment requests from Exekial Vaughn and Robin Weiss.

The Board tentatively set the schedule for hydrant flushing for Friday. Highway department will provide 2-3 men to help the maintenance crew.

The Chazen Company has completed an initial design for the Smart Growth plan. There will be a meeting on November 1, at 6 pm to review the plan.

The contract negotiations are complete with the Highway. There is a four year agreement, with a 3% raise. They changed the wording for the probationary employee. Supervisor Canon recommended that the board approve the contract. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the contract. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.



Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve attendance of Board members to the AATV meeting on December 2&3 in Lake George. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Rozelle East is set to begin digging the new electrical line at the wastewater treatment plant on Thursday. The control panel and valves are on order.

Supervisor Canon talked with the APA regarding the Verizon Cell tower. The general permit was not approved because the receiver was to be installed on the top of the tower. If Verizon agrees to move it to the sides then the permit could be approved. Verizon is willing to look into this.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the proposal from Koester Associates to install the circulator pump in the water tower. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the 2013 contract with North Country SPCA at a cost of \$481. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

There has been no decision on the reimbursement for a water pump for Norman Fifield. Supervisor Canon is waiting for a copy of the stipulation agreement.

November meetings were tentatively set for November 13 and 27<sup>th</sup>.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

October 15, 2012

At the budget workshop and regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 15<sup>th</sup> of October 2012 at 6:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Kenneth Helms Jr.	Councilman
Mary Anne Bush	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mike Moses, Mark Yandon Eugene Bush and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the September 25, 2012 meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the General Fund Abstract #19 in the amount of \$57652.23. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #19 in the amount of \$29300.28. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capitol Projects #3 Buildings Abstract #12 in the amount of \$2239.42. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capitol Projects #8 Santanoni Abstract #12 in the amount of \$2800.00. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

There were no bids on the van. The Board lowered the minimum bid to \$900.

The Board received an employment request from Mechelle Roy.

There will be a meeting on October 30, 2012 at 10:30 am for the Interpretive Plan for Tahawus.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the Life Flight Resolution. Seconded by Councilman Helms and approved.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board Resolution. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve attendance to the NYS Turfgrass Association meeting Nov. 13-15. Charles Canon and Gene Poulin will be offered the opportunity to attend. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the 2013 Elected Official salaries and set the Public Hearing for October 30, 2012 at 7:00 pm. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Town Supervisor	-	\$41600.00
Town Clerk	-	\$15648.00
Councilman (4)	-	\$8580.00
Town Justice	-	\$9918.00
Tax Collector	-	\$9958.00
Assessors (3)	-	\$12000.00

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the purchase of a new Highway truck at State contract price. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

There was discussion on the expansion of the Golf Course. Supervisor Canon will call Clough Harbor to get an estimate on the cost of lay out of an additional 9 holes.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

September 25, 2012

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 25th of September 2012 at 7:00 P..M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Mary Anne Bush	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Ken Helms	Councilman

Others present: Rod Boula, Etown Hosp., Mark Yandon, Mike Moses, Stan LaLonde, Connie Fontaine, Bonnie Potter, Barb Kane, Pat Bean, Ruth Allen and Mary Pound.  
Absent: Joe Novak

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2012 meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the General Fund Abstract #18 in the amount of \$38212.90. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #18 in the amount of \$25462.13. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Water Abstract #9 in the amount of \$1051.54 and the Sewer Abstract #9 in the amount of \$29841.27. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capitol Projects # 3 Buildings Abstract #8 in the amount of \$923.14. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the Capitol Projects #8 Santanoni Abstract #11 in the amount of \$2800.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Rod Boula from the Elizabethtown Hospital was here for his annual visit to talk about the hospital and the updates and changes that have been made there. They have a new physician, new drug treatment program and a new telemedicine program.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the purchase of a new computer for the medical center at a cost of approximately \$695. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Pittsburg Tank & Tower Maintenance Company provided the Town with two quotes for the cleaning of the water tower. Option 1 would cost \$3950. and would require the tower to be drained. Option 2 would cost \$4450. with no draining required and would be done by a remotely controlled submergible robot. This cost includes 3 inches of debris removal and anything above that would be an additional cost. Conrady Associates believes there is between 1 and 5 inches of sediment in the tank. They recommended that we install a Solarbee chlorine mixer before we spend the money on a cleaning. The Board decided to go with the mixer.

Hours for the Landfill will change to the winter hours on October 8. It will be closed on Monday and Wednesday. The High Peaks Golf Course will close for the season on October 8. The Historical Building will also close on October 8.

Councilwoman Bush will continue to be the Board representative for the Youth Bureau. She will be attending the November 5 meeting.

The Board received a letter from Judy Pliquette to name a newly built driveway, "High Ledge Lane." Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the naming of the street "High Ledge Lane." Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

The Town Clerk presented the Board with the 2013 Tentative Budget.

Supervisor Canon has had one meeting with the Highway Dept. representative on the 2013 contract. They will meet again next week.

The Sewer Fund has a principal payment of \$29000. due on October 1 to the Environmental Facilities Corp. Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve a \$100000. loan from the General Fund to the Sewer Fund to make this payment. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

The hours at the landfill will be extended by hour each day to make up the difference in hours needed for the attendant to be eligible for benefits. He will also look into information on the water course requirement.

October meeting dates were tentatively set for October 16 and 30. The Board will meet at 6 pm for a budget workshop.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to declare surplus the 2001 Dodge van. Minimum bid is \$1000. Sealed bids are due at the October 16 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to purchase four new carts for spring delivery at the golf course. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Some members of the public expressed some of their concerns with the senior bus trips.

Councilwoman Bush brought some concerns to the Board from the Youth Commission. The tarps put up on the beach pavilion did not work too well and they would like to look into the purchase of rain panels. They would also like to look into putting down sand or gravel in the pavilion area.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted \_\_\_\_\_

September 10, 2012

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 10th of September 2012 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Ken Helms Jr.	Councilman
Mary Anne Bush	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Highway Supt., Connie Fontaine, Mike Moses, Eugene Bush, Bonnie Potter, Mike Yandon, Irene Fissette, Barb Kane and Mary Pound.

Supervisor Canon called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the minutes of the August 28, 2012 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the General Fund Abstract #17 in the amount of \$20095.31. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #17 in the amount of \$10683.25. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capitol Projects #3 Buildings Abstract #7 in the amount of \$1516.08. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capitol Projects #8 Santanoni Abstract #10 in the amount of \$2581.18. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capitol Projects #5 Smart Growth Abstract #9 in the amount of \$3475.00. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capitol Projects #6 Land Abstract #2 in the amount of \$3600.00. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

The Town received an employment application from Lucas Marra.

The Water and Sewer billing for the third quarter is as follows:

Water - \$10781.40	Penalty - \$86.80	Sewer - \$9684.40	Penalty - \$98.00
Total - \$20650.60			

The Town received the Newcomb Snowmobile Club finance report. The Town does all the grooming of the trails but has declined at this time to take any money for it.

Ray Bush has successfully completed his Water Distribution System Operation and Maintenance certification.

The Highway Department has requested a meeting to discuss negotiations. Supervisor Canon will continue to be the representative for the Town Board.

Irene Fissette has completed most of the cleanup at her residence and therefore there will be no penalty imposed.

Interviews for the landfill attendant position have been completed and both applicants have agreed to take the water certification course. It was brought up that NYS requires a High School education or GED to be certified by NYSDOH. Councilman Helms made the motion to table the discussion in order to speak with the applicants, which was seconded by Councilman Novak. Councilman Bott, Councilwoman Bush and Supervisor Canon voted nay to table. Motion was made by Supervisor Canon to appoint Chris

Schmid to the position of landfill attendant, which was seconded by Councilwoman Bush. Voting aye were Supervisor Canon, Councilwoman Bush and Councilman Bott. Voting nay were Councilman Helms and Councilman Novak.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the change order on the wastewater treatment plant. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Water and sewer billing that is over one year late are turned over to Essex County and added to the warrant. Motion was made by Councilman Helms for a Resolution stating that any unpaid water and sewer payments due as of November 1, of any year, will be turned over to Essex County and added to the property tax warrant. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Mel Taylor has indicated that he is available to go back to work.

The APA has declined the application from Verizon for the cell tower. Supervisor Canon will discuss the Verizon application with the Agency.

There are some concerns with the Town boat launch area. Due to the low water this year there is a build up of silt out in the water. We need to call DEC to see how to fix this problem.

Neil Murphy, President of ESF has notified the Town that they have grant money available to renovate the Masten House. He suggests a future meeting with Town Officials to discuss some joint use of the facility.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

August 28, 2012

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 28th of August 2012 at 7:00 P. M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Mary Anne Bush	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman
Ken Helms	Councilman

Others present: Monica Young, Mike Moses, Charles Minke, Stan LaLonde, Barb Kane, Eugene Bush, Bill McSpedon, Dorothea Malsbury, Bonnie Potter, Connie Fontaine, Peyton Fontaine and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the General Fund Abstract #16 in the amount of \$37554.51. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #16 in the amount of \$226568.26. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Water Abstract #8 in the amount of \$1797.54 and the Sewer Abstract #8 in the amount of \$427.22. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capitol Projects #5 Abstract #6 in the amount of \$15100.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capitol Projects #8 Santanoni Abstract #9 in the amount of \$218.50. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

There was continued discussion on the Fissette property. Councilman Helms had spoke with Mrs. Fissette and offered to help with clean up. She has not gotten back to him. Supervisor Canon provided the Board with articles about other towns that are dealing with similar property maintenance issues. Motion was made by Councilman Helms to send a registered letter to Mrs. Fissette and give her one week to clean up the property. If she does not comply she will be fined \$250. per Town law. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the quote from W&B Golf Carts for a 2013 Yamaha golf cart at a cost of \$9385. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

NYMIR, the Town insurance, will be here on August 31, at 8:00 am, to inspect buildings.

Verizon submitted the permit application to the APA for the cell tower and it was rejected by the APA due to visibility issues. Supervisor Canon will try to contact the APA.

There was continued discussion on the Landfill Attendant position. Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve and adopt the job description. Seconded by Councilman Novak. Councilwoman Bush, Councilman Helms and Councilman Novak voted in favor, and Councilman Bott and Supervisor Canon were opposed. Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to set the salary at \$13.50 with health benefits. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried. Interviews set for 3:30 pm Wednesday August 29.

The recommendation of Conrady Consultants was to clean the silt out of the water tank before a bubbler is installed. We are waiting on Pittsburg Tank for quotes on the cost of cleaning the water tower with it full and one with it drained.

September meeting dates tentatively set for Monday, September 10th and 25th.



Councilman Novak brought up the need for ATV signs for the Allen Rd.

Highway Supt. Mark Yandon said that he will be purchasing a replacement truck. He will be checking on state contract pricing and county bids. He will also be looking into purchasing two new pickups.

Monica Young expressed her thanks to the Town Board for the senior dinner cruise.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

August 14, 2012

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 14<sup>th</sup> of August 2012 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Kenneth Helms Jr.	Councilman
Mary Anne Bush	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mike Moses, Ruth Allen, Connie Fontaine, Bob Zimmer, Bill McSpedon, Stan LaLonde, Mark Yandon and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the minutes of the July 31, 2012 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the General Fund Abstract #16 in the amount of \$30099.13. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #16 in the amount of \$23837.21. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capitol Projects #3 Buildings Abstract #6 in the amount of \$767.20. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capitol Projects #8 Santanoni Abstract # 8 in the amount of \$2800.00. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Verizon has asked the Town for an extension of options on the water tower. The Town has received a copy of the APA permit. Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the renewal of a one year option with Verizon on the water tower at \$1500. for the year. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Emily Farr from the Long Lake Library was here to discuss support of the library. All agreed that the Town of Newcomb will provide support in the next budget.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to authorize Supervisor Canon to sign an easement request to NYSEG for the firehouse. This will eliminate the pole in the parking lot. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

The Sewer plant received a violation notice from DEC on the total suspended solid removal at the plant. The flow is low at the plant and it is difficult to meet permit conditions.

There was continued discussion on the replacement for the landfill attendant. Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the job description and to add the water and sewer assistant superintendant to the specifications. Pay schedule will be discussed at the next meeting. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Tish Biesemeyer from Burnham Financial was here to discuss changes coming for health insurance benefits for 2013.

The Town will provide a picnic for the Americore workers. We will find out from them when will be the best time to have it.

We are still waiting on Rozell and AES to determine how to go forward on the change order for the sewer plant.

There will be a meeting on August 16 at 6pm here at the Town Hall for the Smart Growth grant.

The annual county wide senior picnic is Wednesday August 15 starting at 10 am at the Town Beach.

Councilman Bott is researching the cost of a four seater golf cart for the beach and the golf course. He will check for prices at some places in Glens Falls.

Councilman Helms spoke with Barb Kane regarding the status of the Fissette property. She is not happy with the clean up. Mr. Helms will talk with her to see about providing some help with clean up.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

July 17, 2012

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 17<sup>th</sup> of July 17, 2012 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Ken Helms Jr.	Councilman
Mary Anne Bush	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Eugene Bush, Mark Yandon, Mike Moses, Barbara Kane, Connie Fontaine, Monica Decoteau, Stan LaLonde, Bob Zimmer, Bonnie Potter, Ruth Allen, Irene Fissette and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the June 26, 2012 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the General Fund Abstract #13 in the amount of \$14569.92. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #13 in the amount of \$23032.17. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capitol Projects #8 Santanoni Abstract # 7 in the amount of \$2800.00. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capitol Projects #5 Smart Growth Abstract #7 in the amount of \$3875.00. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

There has been a citizen complaint from Barbara Kane of the property condition of Irene Fissette on Pine Tree Lane. This was brought before the Planning Board and they forwarded it to the Town Board. After a long discussion on the property maintenance code, it was decided that the Board will give Mrs. Fissette 30 days to comply and clean up the property. The complaint will be revisited after 30 days.

The Board received one bid for the computer desk and computer. Motion was made by Councilman Novak to award the bid to Karen Darrah for \$100. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Councilwoman Bush provided the Board with a job description for the landfill position. There was discussion of having the attendant also become trained for the Assistant Water and Sewer Supt. position. It was decided to table the discussion and let the Board review the list and add to it if necessary.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the proposal from Kevin A. Hall to survey three parcels in the Town at a cost of \$7600. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

The Board received a letter from a concerned citizen regarding loitering at the landfill with children. There was discussion on getting some additional signs and possibly have the Town Attorney write a letter.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush for a Resolution of support for the approval of the cell tower by Verizon. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

One of the recommendations from Conrady Consultant Services from the inspection of the water tower was for an active mixing system for the chlorine. Councilman Novak will contact Medora Environmental for an estimate.

The Town Board would like to encourage the community to attend the Smart Growth meeting on July 18 at the school.

There was a suggestion by a citizen to purchase a wind panel for the beach pavilion. The maintenance supervisor will try attaching tarps to see if this will help.

Supervisor Canon will call Raquette Lake Navigation to get a date for the annual senior dinner cruise.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

July 12, 2011

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 12th of July 2011 at 7:00 P..M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Michael Tracy	Councilman
George Fennessy	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Mary Bush	Councilwoman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Highway Supt., Michael Moses, and Mary Pound.

Supervisor Canon called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Motion was made by Councilman Tracy to approve the minutes of the June 28, 2011 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Fennessy and carried.

The proposals for the construction of the Golf Course pavilion were opened.  
D&H Construction Inc. - \$49900.00 \$3000.00 – electric - \$16675.00 prevailing wage rates.

Piper Construction - \$\$15760.00 labor cost. Town would pay \$19500.00 – materials, \$1200.00 – concrete, and \$2000.00 – electrical.

Fifield Construction - \$50835.00 with electric - \$48935.00 w/out electric.

S&R Construction Inc. - \$38200.00 - \$2900.00 - lights

Collett Bldg. - \$\$28104.00 - w/out electrical - \$21944.00

All bid proposals are more than expected. The Town Board made no decision on the proposals. Supervisor Canon will talk with the maintenance supervisor, Eugene Bush and construction for the pavilion will be on hold.

Motion was made by Councilman Tracy to approve the General Fund Abstract #13 in the amount of \$37080.44. Seconded by Councilman Fennessy and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Fennessy to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #13 in the amount of \$17217.45. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

The Town is still waiting on the attorneys regarding the status of the Goodnow Dam.

The TNC Land purchase is in the hands of the attorneys. We are waiting for a closing date for the purchase. At the time of closure the Town and TNC will release a joint press release.

Lorinda Minke is working on updating the Town website.

The Town is currently working with NYSDOT on the sidewalks. There are several issues that need to be worked out.

We are waiting to hear from ESF regarding the new sign for Goodnow Mountain. The emblem for ESF has changed.

There will be a meeting on July 21 at 1:30pm to meet with Americorps workers. We will show them around and work out a schedule for them.

The gifts for Newcomb Day have been ordered and should be here by July 29. We also ordered Town of Newcomb decals.

The Sewer Fund has the funds to pay back the General fund. This will be done as soon as we work out some calculations on interest rates.

The NYS 2% tax cap will go into effect for the next budget year. In order to raise it, there has to be a public hearing and local law.

Motion was made by Councilman Fennessy to adopt the resolutions to go to vote to change the 2year terms for Town Clerk, Tax Collector, and Highway Supt., to 4 year terms. Seconded by Councilman Tracy and carried. Public hearing is set for July 26, 2011.

Motion was made by Councilman Fennessy to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Tracy and carried at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted \_\_\_\_\_

June 26, 2012

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 26th of June 2012 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Ken Helms Jr.	Councilman
Mary Anne Bush	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Highway Supt., Monica Decoteau, Connie Fontaine, Linda Stringer, Lowell Stringer, Mike Moses, Eugene Bush, Dorothea Malsbury, Bonnie Potter, Stan LaLonde and Mary Pound.

Supervisor Canon called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the June 12, 2012 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the General Fund Abstract #12 in the amount of \$41548.47. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #12 in the amount of \$34184.20. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capitol Projects #3 Buildings Abstract #4 in the amount of \$591.17. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capitol Projects #8 Santanoni Abstract #5 in the amount of \$2800.00. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the Water Abstract #6 in the amount of \$3304.85 and the Sewer Abstract #6 in the amount of \$238.75. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms for a Resolution to authorize the agreement with DEC to have the Americorps here in July. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the LENS Program for town vehicle drivers. This will require Town employees to sign a release form from the Department of Motor Vehicle to obtain their driving record. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the request for a bush driver and bus to the Adirondack Museum on July 15. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Conrady Consultant Services did their inspection of the water tower. They recommended that we install a system to keep the water stirred and chlorine mixed. The Board agreed to look into this. They said the tower was in good shape. They also recommended that we have the tower drained and pressure washed.

The Board received an employment application from Chris Schmid.

The Board discussed the position for the landfill attendant. They will talk more about it at the next meeting.

Joanna Donk has two pull carts for sale. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to purchase them for the golf course at a cost of \$175.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.



Motion was made by Councilman Bott to authorize Supervisor Canon to sign the APA permit application for a cell tower on the water tower. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

There will be a public meeting on the Smart Growth Hamlet Plan on July 18, at 7:00 pm at Newcomb Central School. All are encouraged to attend.

July meeting dates were tentatively set for July 17 and 31.

The Board complimented Eugene Bush and his crew for the cleanup they did at the overlook.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

June 12, 2012

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 12<sup>th</sup> of June 2012 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Kenneth Helms Jr.	Councilman
Mary Anne Bush	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mike Moses, Ruth Allen, Larry Peterec, Monica Decoteau, Charles Minke, Bonnie Potter, Connie Fontaine and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the minutes of the May 29, 2012 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the General Fund Abstract #11 in the amount of \$40960.65. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #11 in the amount of \$7649.60. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capitol Projects #3 Buildings Abstract # 3 in the amount of \$1748.79. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Capitol Projects #5 Smart Growth Abstract # 6 in the amount of \$1200.00. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the Capitol Projects #8 Santanoni Abstract #4 in the amount of \$1400.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Mel Taylor, driver for the seniors, has asked for a leave of absence due to some health issues. Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to hire Robert Ward to replace him during his absence at a rate of \$12.00 per hour. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to declare surplus the computer desk, chair, and computer that was formerly in the Code office. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Verizon has offered a new one year contract for the water tower and have increased it to \$1500. The Board would like them to send a copy of the application to the APA before they approve the contract.

Supervisor Canon talked with Edna VanAuken about including Goodnow in the BTI treatment area. They have so many trail use restrictions there that she felt that she would need more workers to do that area.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve Beth Canon to help the Assessors with record requirements. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried. Supervisor Canon abstained.

The Town received an employment application from Mechelle Roy.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the Shared Services agreement with the Town of Ticonderoga. Seconded by Councilman Novak and approved by a roll call vote. Supervisor Canon – Aye, Councilman Bott – Aye, Councilwoman Bush – Aye, Councilman Helms – Aye, and Councilman Novak – Aye.

There was discussion on the Farm House property purchased from the Nature Conservancy. They would like to make it the Historical Museum and welcome center for the Town. Supervisor Canon will have the maintenance supervisor assess the building. Councilman Bott would like to talk with people at the Blue Mt. Museum to get some professional advice on set up and displays.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the attendance of the Town Justice and Court Clerk to training in Potsdam, July 24-25. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

There was discussion on the repairs that should be done at the Vietnam Memorial.

Thursday, June 14, Supervisor Canon will be doing a presentation on the Town of Newcomb at the Park Agency.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

May 29, 2012

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 29th of May 2012 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Ken Helms Jr.	Councilman
Mary Anne Bush	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Eugene Bush, Mark Yandon, Mike Moses, Charles Minke, Connie Fontaine, Monica Decoteau, Stan LaLonde, Jim Depasquale and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the May 15, 2012 meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the General Fund Abstract #10 in the amount of \$14569.92. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #10 in the amount of \$5342.97. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Water Abstract #5 in the amount of \$2043.81 and the Sewer Abstract #5 in the amount of \$718.12. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capitol Projects #3 Buildings Abstract #2 in the amount of \$13380.33. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the Capitol Projects #4 Highway Equipment Abstract #1 in the amount of \$4250.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capitol Projects #8 Santanoni Abstract #3 in the amount of \$1400.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

The Town of Newcomb has received a proposal from Verizon to extend the option on the lease for an additional two years to cover the process of application, review and approval with the APA. The Board discussed this and Supervisor Canon will contact them with our thoughts and questions.

The Town has received a request from Denton Publications to run an ad for Santanoni in their Arts Directory. The Board decided that we are not interested at this time.

There will be a meeting on Thursday May 31, with the Chazen Company on the 28N Corridor.

The Board decided to keep the tuition policy for Long Lake students the same.

There was some discussion on the Goodnow Dam. There is no need to take a vote on this at this time.

Councilwoman Bush brought up the need to put signs at the Town boat launch to encourage boater to wash their boats before launching to stop the spread of any of the invasive species. She also felt that there should be a trash can available at the site.

Councilman Helms would like to get permission to do the BTI program in Goodnow.

June meetings were tentatively set for June 12 and 26.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

May 15, 2012

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 15th of May 2012 at 7:00 P. M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Mary Anne Bush	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Highway Supt., Monica Decoteau, Dan Stec, Mike Moses, Lowell Stringer, Charles Canon, Ruth Allen and Mary Pound. Absent: Ken Helms.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the General Fund Abstract #9 in the amount of \$36009.94. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #9 in the amount of \$51026.02. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the Capitol Projects #5 Abstract #5 in the amount of \$4050.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the Capitol Projects #8 Santanoni Abstract #2 in the amount of \$500.00. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the Capitol Projects #3 Buildings Abstract #1 in the amount of \$1115.16. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Ruth Allen addressed the Town Board with some concerns that she has with the snowmobile trail that is on her property. She and her husband have graciously allowed use of her property for passage to the trail. She was very upset about what was done to widen the trail because they did damage to her property. She has spoken to Highway Supt. Mark Yandon and he is willing to repair any damage done. She wants to know what the Town policy is regarding any changes done by Town employees to private property. Supervisor Canon made it clear that the Town will do all that they can to make it right with them.

Dan Stec, current Supervisor of Queensbury addressed the Town Board and community members to introduce himself. He is running for New York State Assembly to replace Assemblywoman Sayward.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the request from the Chamber to have a farmers market at the overlook. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

The Town received employment requests from several students, Austin Roy, Jonas June, Shelby Poulton, and Kevin Yandon.

Stan LaLonde is retiring from his position as driver of the senior van. Mitch Moses has applied to replace him. There was discussion on the pay scale for new drivers. Motion was made by Councilman Novak to hire Mr. Moses at a rate of \$12.00 per hour. This new rate would apply to any new drivers hired. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the proposal by Conrady Consultants for a tank inspection. They will be here June 6 to do the inspection. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the request by the Quilters to use the town bus to go to a Vermont Quilt Show on June 30. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the proposal from Office Systems for a replacement copier for the Town Hall at State Contract price of \$12081.64. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the attendance of Town Board members to the AATV meeting in Lake Placid, June 3-4. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

There was discussion on the Town policy for the age limit on retirement benefits for employees. Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush for a Resolution to modify eligibility requirements for retirement health benefits under Section 800-7 of the Town of Newcomb policy manual. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Highway Supt. Mark Yandon talked about research he is doing to buy a used or new man lift.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

April 24, 2012

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 24th of April 2012 at 7:00 P..M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Ken Helms Jr.	Councilman
Mary Anne Bush	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Highway Supt., Monica Decoteau, Connie Fontaine, Linda Stringer, Lowell Stringer, Mike Moses, Charles Canon, Charles Minke, Bob LaClair, Shirley LaClair, Eugene Bush, Robert Yandon, Kevin Bolan and Mary Pound.

Supervisor Canon called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2012 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the General Fund Abstract #8 in the amount of \$65753.09. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #8 in the amount of \$23315.92. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the Water Fund Abstract #4 in the amount of \$895.35 and the Sewer Fund Abstract #4 in the amount of \$7876.26. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Capitol Projects #9 Smart Growth Abstract #4 in the amount of \$3000.00. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

There was only one bid received for the pine logs. Erma Helms - \$167.90. Motion was made by Councilman Novak to award the bid to Erma Helms. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried. Councilman Helms abstained.

Employment requests were received from Tayler Goodspeed, Morgan Winslow, Chelsea Walsh, Eric Bureau, Beth Poulin, Larissa Roy, Kevin Yandon and Pam Siers. Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve \$11.00 per hour for Kevin Yandon to supervise the students. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

The response letter written by Supervisor Canon was approved by the Board and will be mailed out.

The Town has received a quote from Big Top Rentals for the portable outhouses. We are currently using J.H. Schrade. Schrade has discounted his price to us. Motion was made by Councilman Novak to stay with the Schrade company. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the proposal from Lowell Stringer to drag the Santanoni Road at a cost of \$75 for the drag and \$25 per hour for the truck. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

The volunteer dinner will be Friday April 27, at the Long Lake Diner at 5 pm. The Board needs to make recommendations for the "Volunteer of the Year" award.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the request from Newcomb Mountain Quilters to pay for Peggy Lynn, singer for TR weekend at a cost of \$450. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.



The Town has received a proposal from Conrady Consultant Services to inspect the water tower. This was tabled until the next meeting to give the Councilman time to look it over.

The Town received a letter from AES with an estimate on the cost of converting the dosing system at the wastewater treatment plant to an electronic system. The estimate is around \$20,000. Councilman Helms recommended that we wait to see if there is any money left from the grant and if so, we go ahead and install the electronic system.

There were several members of the public at the meeting to discuss issues on the Golf Course.

May meetings were tentatively set for May 15 and 29<sup>th</sup>.

Motion was made by Supervisor Canon to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

April 10, 2012

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 10th of April 2012 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Ken Helms	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mary Pound. Absent: Mary Bush and Donald Bott

Supervisor Canon called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the March 27, 2012 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the General Fund Abstract # 7 in the amount of \$21432.82. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #7 in the amount of \$6086.15. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Councilman Helms requested that the minutes of the March 13, 2012 be revised to reflect that the comments made on a worker at the Golf Course were made by himself and not Councilman Novak.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve attendance of Karen Darrah to the New York State Association of Tax Receivers & Collectors On June 17-20 2012 in Albany. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to authorize Supervisor Canon to sign the Essex County Agreement to Expend Highway Funds for 2012. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

The AARCH request for a fourth Santanoni intern was tabled until the next meeting.

Susan Kennedy from the Dept. of Health did a water system inspection. She has recommended that Ray Bush take a basic maintenance and operation course. She would also like the water tank to be inspected. She suggested a company named Conrady Consultant Services. Supervisor Canon will contact them for a proposal.

Supervisor Canon drafted a letter to Mrs. Mills in response to her letter to the Board. It was decided to wait until the full board was present to read it over before sending.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

March 27, 2012

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 27th of March 2012 at 7:00 P..M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Ken Helms Jr.	Councilman
Mary Anne Bush	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman

Others present: Eugene Bush, Mark Yandon, Charles Canon, Mike Moses, Robin Deloria, Charles Minke, Connie Fontaine, Monica Decoteau and Mary Pound. Absent: Councilman Novak.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2012 meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the General Fund Abstract #6 in the amount of \$43267.12. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #6 in the amount of \$40245.28. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the Water Abstract #3 in the amount of \$2005.57 and the Sewer Abstract #3 in the amount of \$168.89. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Employment requests were received from Hilary Bureau, Larisa Roy and Chantelle Helms for summer employment. There was discussion on the number of students that work on the General Fund crew and the possibility of having a senior student worker supervise the other students in order to free up Nelson and Bootie for some major projects. We will wait and see how many students apply to work for the General Fund.

The Board received a request from Pam Siers regarding the old fencing at the sewer plant. Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to declare it surplus and give it to Pam. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

There are a lot of pine logs and firewood at the blow down area of the beach. It was decided to put it out for bid.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the request from the Adirondack Lakes Center for the Arts. The Town will donate \$2900 to support programming of the arts. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

The NYS Transportation Board and DEC sent a joint letter in support of the Saratoga and North Creek Railway LLC Notice of Exemption for operation of the Tahawus Line. If this is approved it should provide 6-8 jobs fixing the railway.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the purchase of the confined space equipment for the Sewer Plant. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried. Councilman Helms met with Garrett Phelps at the sewer plant and the #2 bed is not working properly. We need to contact AES and find out if this is still under warranty and get this fixed.

The Board received information on the current Santanoni interns. There was discussion on the possibility of hiring a local student to work on a historical proposal. This was tabled until the next meeting.

Kevin Bolan has requested some repairs for the medical residence. This was discussed and the Board agreed to go forward with repairs to two bathrooms and the kitchen.

The farm house property that was purchased from the Nature Conservancy is in need of repairs. It was agreed that the General Fund crew will work on it when they have time.

The Board received a letter from Suzanne Mills regarding several issues. Supervisor Canon will draft a response to her and present it to the Board for their review before sending it out.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to leave the roster the same at the Golf Course for this season and then revisit this in the fall and cut the staff down to three workers. There was no second to this motion.

There was discussion on a start date and staffing for the Golf Course. Charles Canon requested that Gene Poulin and Norm Fifield start as soon as possible to begin clean up and start cutting the greens. It was agreed to call them to start March 28. Golf Course opening will be dependant on the weather.

The DOT is doing culvert work at Hyslop Brook.

The water testing in Winebrook Water district came back very good. This is the best it has been in a long time.

April meetings were tentatively set for April 10 and 24<sup>th</sup>.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

March 13, 2012

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 13th of March 2012 at 7:00 P..M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Joe Novak	Councilman
Mary Anne Bush	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Ken Helms	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Eugene Bush, Mike Moses, Paul Hai, Connie Fontaine, Monica Decoteau, and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the minutes of the February 29, 2012 meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the General Fund Abstract #5 in the amount of \$44739.35. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #5 in the amount of \$8571.44. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Capitol Projects # 5 Smart Growth Abstract #3 in the amount of \$2475.00. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the Capitol Projects #9 Abstract #1 in the amount of \$24307.59. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

The Town of Newcomb Landfill will now be recycling electronic equipment. Regional Computer Recycling & Recovery will supply the containers and they will swap out when they are full. This is all provided at no cost to the Town. The containers will be delivered on March 15. The Town will be sending out additional information on this service.

The Wastewater Treatment plant certification has been given to Tracy Smith. He will be filling it out and returning it to Supervisor Canon. Certification is due by the end of this month. The Operations and Maintenance Manuals for the Wastewater Treatment Plant have been delivered from AES Northeast. Supervisor Canon will be meeting with DEC next week and he will give them one of the manuals.

Paul Hai from ESF discussed a "Marketing Plan" for the Town of Newcomb. He would like to try to find some funds to promote the Town of Newcomb. He was considering possibly getting chips or pins that people can use for discounts at businesses here in town. The Board of supportive of this idea and will wait to hear if there is any funding possibilities.

The second quarter water and sewer billing is as follows:

Water - \$29837.50 Penalty - \$65.10 Sewer - \$12953.10 Penalty - \$73.50  
Total - \$42929.20

Motion was made by Supervisor Canon to approve the Sunshine Week Proclamation. This commits the Town of Newcomb to commemorating the 261<sup>st</sup> anniversary of James Madison birth and throughout 2012 to work diligently to enhance the public access to government records and information. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Supervisor Canon has received letters from Drew Cullen who is now the acting president of the Goodnow Flow Association.

Councilman Novak had some suggestions that he would like for the Golf Course. He would like the maintenance crew to start a maintenance log schedule for the golf carts.

He would like to assign a Board of Directors to help with tournaments, enhance the course and bring in more players. There was a discussion on possible staggering of the work week to avoid overtime. Supervisor Canon suggested that we should also consider the same for the Highway Department and the other General fund crews. He would also like to cut the maintenance staff down to three employees. He feels that they no longer need the fourth man and feels that one gentleman is elderly and no longer able to do the job. Motion was made by Councilman Novak to terminate one employee. Roll call vote: Supervisor Canon – Nay, Councilman Bott – Nay, Councilman Helms – Aye, Councilman Novak – Aye. Councilwoman Bush would like the motion tabled in order to get more information. This will be tabled until the next meeting.

Supervisor Canon would like to have further discussion on what to do at the Industrial Site. We need to come up with some ideas for the site.

Motion was made by Supervisor Canon to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

February 29, 2012

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 29th of February 2012 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Ken Helms	Councilman
Mary Anne Bush	Councilwoman
Joe Novak	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Eugene Bush, Mike Moses, Drew Cullen and Mary Pound.

Supervisor Canon called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2012 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the General Fund Abstract #4 in the amount of \$86399.29. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #4 in the amount of \$102320.01. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the Water Abstract #2 in the amount of \$649.23 and the Sewer Abstract #2 in the amount of \$72965.53. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

When the landfill was capped DEC required that we perform post closure monitoring for environmental quality at least four times per year. Depending on the test results, an application may be made to the DEC for a variance to reduce testing to two times per year.

The Board received an employment request from Michael Tracy.

The Town has received the annual certification notice for the Winebrook Wastewater Treatment plant. This certification is due by March 28, 2012.

There have been several letters of support for the Tahawus railroad. Iowa-Pacific is waiting for letters from the DEC and DOT. Once these are sent in we are hopeful that a permit will be granted.

March meetings were tentatively set for March 13 and 27.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

February 14, 2012

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 14th of February 2012 at 7:00 P..M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Ken Helms Jr.	Councilman
Mary Anne Bush	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Highway Supt., George Sarkisian, Jerry Cullen, Monica Decoteau, Connie Fontaine and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the General Fund Abstract #3 in the amount of \$26446.62. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #3 in the amount of \$12215.46. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the Capitol Projects #5 Abstract #2 in the amount of \$1375.00. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the Capitol Projects #8 Santanoni Abstract #1 in the amount of \$100000.00. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve attendance of any Planning Board, Zoning Board, Code Enforcement and Town Board members to the Local Government Day Conference in Lake Placid, March 20-21. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve attendance for Charles Canon, Eugene Bush and Eugene Poulin to the NYS Turfgrass Conference, March 21. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

AES is still working on getting materials for the closed space entry at the Sewer plant. The cost will be reimbursed only if the materials are made in the USA. They are having difficulty finding them.

The Board had some discussion on the possible use of the TNC properties. The farmhouse will need some repairs.

There was discussion on the Goodnow Dam project. Councilman Novak is concerned about Town ownership of the dam and the risks that it may have. Councilman Helms would like the Goodnow Flow Association to have another vote and provide a couple of options. Councilwoman Bush is not in favor of the town owning the dam. Councilman Bott is also not in favor of town ownership of the dam. Supervisor Canon will compose a letter to the Association and summarize the thoughts of the Town Board.

Councilwoman Bush requested that we change the February 28 meeting to February 29.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_



February 1, 2012

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 1st of February 2012 at 7:00 P..M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Kenneth Helms Jr.	Councilman
Mary Anne Bush	Councilwoman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joe Novak	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Highway Supt., Mike Moses, Jerry Cullen, Rick Wakeman, Bill Rowan, Drew Cullen, Paul Hai and Mary Pound.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2012 meeting. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the General Fund Abstract #2 in the amount of \$12175.46. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #2 in the amount of \$41660.82. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Water Abstract #1 in the amount of \$2310.22 and the Sewer Abstract #1 in the amount of \$152.73. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

The Goodnow Flow Association gave a presentation for the Board. Bill Rowan sited several drawings and handouts regarding the problems associated with the Hadlock Pond Dam failure. Engineer, Rick Wakeman and Jerry Cullen also made presentations.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to authorize Supervisor Canon to sign the agreement with AARCH. The Town of Newcomb agrees to pay AARCH \$100,000 which will provide staffing and historic preservation at Santanoni. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the purchase of a snow tracker to help with cross country ski trails. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

The Town of Newcomb has completed the purchase of land from the Nature Conservancy. There are some restrictions and requirements under the agreement. The Board needs to start thinking about what the town will do with this land. Mark Yandon agreed to check the farmhouse building to see if the heat is still on.

Paul Hai, from ESF thanked the Town Board for their support of the Northern Forest Inst. He has some drawings and maps from Tahawus, including the Cinderplant, mines, and housing. They are original mylars and he asked the Town if they would cover the cost of getting copies.

Discussion on the Goodnow Dam project was tabled until the next meeting.

February meeting were tentatively set for February 14 and 28.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

January 17, 2012

At the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the 17th of January 2012 at 7:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Ken Helms	Councilman
Mary Anne Bush	Councilwoman
Joe Novak	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Eugene Bush, Mike Moses, Paul Hai and Mary Pound.

Supervisor Canon called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the minutes of the December 27, 2011 meeting and the January 1, 2012 organizational meeting. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the General Fund Abstract #1 in the amount of \$75899.79. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the Highway Fund Abstract #1 in the amount of \$28967.53. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve the Capitol Projects #5 Abstract #1 in the amount of \$75000.00. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the Sewer Abstract #1 in the amount of \$157793.00. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to authorize Supervisor Canon to sign the snowmobile lease agreement with The Nature Conservancy. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush, at the recommendation of the Highway Supt., to approve the 2012 Snow and Ice Contract with Essex County. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott for a resolution authorizing the Essex County Youth Commission to allocate money for municipal youth programs and to appoint Mary Bush as the Town representative to the commission. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to approve the request from ESF for transportation from Albany airport to Newcomb for the presenters at the Land Use Ethics program on June 1-3. The Town Board is supportive of this Land Use Ethics program and endeavor to support ESF in whatever way the Town can. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to authorize Supervisor Canon to sign the Road Maintenance Contract with Essex County. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

There was Board discussion on the Goodnow Dam project. The Board received a letter from Larry Peterec and information from Attorney Brooks. The Town of Newcomb received a bill signed by the Governor which estimated 1.5 million to establish a tax district if petitioned and decided by the Goodnow Flow Association to do it. The margin of pros and cons for the project is very small. The Board will table this discussion and talk about it at the next meeting.

The closing for the Nature Conservancy land purchase is tentatively set for January 25.

There was discussion on the service contract with AARCH for Santanoni preservation. This was tabled until the next meeting.

There has been a lot of support for the Saratoga and North Creek Railway from area towns and agencies. Resolutions of support are being sent to the Surface Transportation Board for the exemption to provide common carrier freight railroad service to Tahawus.

The Town received an employment request from Bob Ward.

There was discussion on the use of a track setter on the golf course as requested by a gentleman from Long Lake. This was tabled until the next meeting. We will look into the cost of buying one.

The Board discussed the possibility of making 1-2 trips per month to the Long Lake Library since the Bookmobile service is no longer available. We will see what kind of interest there is in this.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms to approve the per diem rate for the NYC Association of Towns meeting at \$71 per day for Sunday to Tuesday and \$53.25 per day for Saturday and Wednesday. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to approve attendance of the Code Officer to three conferences. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Supervisor Canon has set up committee lists for 2012. Councilman Bott will be on the Community Services/ Senior programs Committee. Councilwoman Bush will be on the Youth/Recreation Committee. Councilman Novak will be on the Tourism Committee and Councilman Helms will be on the Buildings/Economic Development Committee.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried at 9:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

January 1, 2012

At the Organizational meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Newcomb, Essex County, N.Y., held at the Town Hall, Newcomb, N.Y., on the first day of January 2012 at 1:00 P.M., the following Board Members were present:

George Canon	Supervisor
Kenneth Helms Jr.	Councilman
Donald Bott	Councilman
Joseph Novak	Councilman
Mary Anne Bush	Councilwoman

Others present: Mark Yandon, Hway Supt., Joe Pavoncha, Essex Cty Clerk and Mary Pound, Town Clerk.

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Canon at 1:00 P.M.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush for a Resolution adopting Elected Officials salaries for 2012.

OFFICE	OFFICIAL	SALARY
Town Supervisor	George Canon	\$41600.00
Town Clerk	Mary Pound	\$15192.00
Councilman	Ken Helms, Don Bott, Joe Novak, Mary Bush	\$8328.00
Town Assessors	Lowell Stringer (Chairman) J. Thornton, E. VanAuken	\$8484.00
Tax Collector	Karen Darrah	\$9672.00
Supt. of Highways	Mark Yandon	\$68822.00
Town Justice	Andrew Stengrevics	\$8328.00

This Resolution was duly seconded by Councilman Bott and adopted by role call vote as follows: Supervisor Canon – Aye, Councilwoman Bush – Aye, Councilman Helms – Aye, Councilman Bott – Aye, and Councilman Novak– Aye.

Motion was made by Councilman Helms for a Resolution appointing officials and setting 2012 salaries:

POSITION	OFFICIAL	SALARY
Clerk to Supervisor	Mary Pound	\$44330.00
Chairman Bd. Of Assessors	Lowell Stringer	\$3888.00
Budget Officer	George Canon	\$16848.00
Deputy Town Clerk	Elizabeth Stickney	\$3036.00
Town Historian	Virginia Hall	\$1536.00
Reg. Of Vital Statistics	Mary Pound	\$100.00
Registered Nurse	Faith Helms	\$28.95/hr
Health Officer	Kevin Bolan	-0-
Physician Assistant	Kevin Bolan	\$49868.00
	Denise Bolan	-0-
Clerk, Health Center	Jolene Hlavaty	\$18.80/hr
	Jennifer Fifield	\$14.50/hr
Clerk, Highway	Melissa Yandon	\$13156.00
Clerk, Youth Commission		
Planning Bd. & Zoning, Justice	Jennifer Fifield	\$5208.00
Janitor, Town Hall, Sr. Center	Karen Darrah	\$15.75/hr
Janitor, Medical Center	Jody Allen	\$15.75/hr
Building & Safety Insp.	Michael Moses	\$22.20/hr
Zoning Tech		\$14.00/hr

General Mechanic Maintenance Person	Eugene Bush Nelson Turcotte Charles Canon	\$25.75/hr \$24.75/hr
Water Supt.		\$9600.00
Sewer Supt	Tracy Smith	\$225.00 per week
Assist. Sewer	Garrett Phelps	\$22.00/hr
Animal Control Officer	Lorinda Marconi	\$1200.00
Landfill Attendants	Ken Bailey, Joe Darrah	\$17.00/hr
Recreation Attendants	Michael Anello, Larissa Roy, Eric Peter, Brandon Poulton, Mark Miller, Laurie Miller, Melissa Yandon, Mandy Bush R. Bailey, Shelby Poulton, Jonas June, Janice Levesque, etc.	\$13.20/hr
Medical Bus Driver	Linda Stringer, Gene Poulin, Christine Bush, George Sarkisian Violet Fifield, Marlene Bott	\$15.45/hr
Senior Center Driver Laborer – Parttime	Mel Taylor, Stan LaLonde	\$17.70/hr Min. Wage
Assess. Bd. Of Review	Robert Hampson, Stan LaLonde Robert Dwyer (Chairman)	\$350.00 \$400.00
BTI Program	Eric VanAuken John Columbus Douglas Alitz Edna VanAuken	\$14.95/hr \$15.40/hr \$14.95/hr \$25.40/hr
Golf Course Manager Golf Course Grounds	Charles Canon A. Morehouse, N. Fifield Eugene Poulin	\$24.75/hr \$16.50/hr
Clubhouse Supv. Clubhouse Att.	Linda Stringer Bob Yandon, V. Hall, J. Bush, Vi Fifield	\$12.25/hr \$11.00/hr
Historical Bldg.	Lana Fennessy, Joyce Cunningham, Sally Rockwood, Virginia Hall,	\$10.20/hr
Town Website	Lorinda Minke	\$50./mo

This Resolution was duly seconded by Councilman Novak and carried.

Town Clerk, Mary Pound appointed Betty Stickney as Deputy Town Clerk. Her primary duties shall be preparing the warrants.

Highway Supt., Mark Yandon appointed Melissa Yandon as Deputy Highway Supt.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to appoint the following Youth Commission Members: Karen Cook, Denise Bolan, Nancy Tracy, Melissa Yandon, Clark Hults and alternate, Dorothy Moses. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush that George Canon be designated as a delegate for the Town of Newcomb at the Association of Towns meeting in New York City on February 18-22 and that Donald Bott be designated as an alternate delegate. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to set mileage for Town Business at the Federal rate of .55.5 cents per mile, Official newspaper, Glens Falls Post Star, Official Depository of Funds, Community Bank, Town Attorney, Per Diam, Asst. Historian, Lana Fennessy and Planning Board Attorney, Mark Schachner, Per Diam. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to authorize Supervisor Canon and Councilman Bott to sign Town Checks. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Supervisor Canon appointed Councilman Bott to be Deputy Supervisor.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush that expenses are paid for authorized officials attending the following: Essex County Magistrates Assoc. meeting, Essex County IDA, Essex County Youth Board/Planning Committee, Adirondack Assoc. of Towns & Villages, Adirondack North Country Assoc., Adirondack Park Agency, New York Planning Federation, New York State Association of Counties, Adirondack Architectural Heritage, DEC Policy Group meetings, Highway Association, and NYS Supt. of Highways. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Novak to authorize Supervisor Canon to make payment of the Golf Course beverage purchases, utilities and insurance prior to audit. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Town Board reviewed the Towns purchase policy. Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to adopt the same. Seconded by Councilman Helms and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Tracy to continue the General Fund loan to the Winebrook Sewer District. Seconded by Councilman Bott and carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Bott for a Resolution in support of the Saratoga and North Creek Railway's application to the Surface Transportation Board for re-activation of the Tahawus – North Creek rail line. Seconded by Councilwoman Bush and carried.

The January Meetings were tentatively set for January 17 and March 1.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Bush to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Novak and carried at 2:10 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted \_\_\_\_\_