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The Town of Forestburgh Town Board held their monthly meeting for planning matters on **Tuesday, September 25, 2012** at the Town Hall.

Supervisor Sipos called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Present – William B. Sipos, Supervisor
Eugene D. Raponi, Councilman
John W. Galligan, Councilman
Susan Parks-Landis, Councilwoman
Michael Creegan, Councilman

Absent – None

Recording
Secretary – Joanne K. Nagoda, Town Clerk

Others
Present – David Bavoso, Attorney for the Town
David Griffin, Sole Assessor

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

WEBSITE PROPOSAL – Supervisor Sipos asked the board for their thoughts. The board isn't sure which way to proceed but agreed that we have to do something. Supervisor Sipos stated he had a suggestion and that Mr. Kurlander is here. Councilman Raponi stated that Mr. Kurlander's numbers are high, really high. Supervisor Sipos stated he understands that, yet he likes what he has put together, however, I like what virtual towns and schools has put together. Is there any way that the two can be combined for a competitive price? Councilman Raponi replied if you can get the numbers to be what we can afford. If we can Virtual Towns together with what Mr. Kurlander offers, we will have a well rounded site, stated Supervisor Sipos. Councilman Creegan likes both, and feels that Virtual Towns is more of the norm, but he likes what Mr. Kurlander has proposed for the e-blasts. Mr. Kurlander stated that he just started doing the blasts for the Town of Fallsburg and they love it and its being well received. Supervisor Sipos gave Mr. Kurlander the business card of Virtual Towns and asked him to contact them. Mr. Kurlander stated that he really doesn't do website design and maintenance. Supervisor Sipos replied he understood that, we need a website with the information on it, however you have a different twist that they don't have. You have the blasts, what's going on, it's informative, it doesn't lack in information and that is critical. Mr. Kurlander responded that the website was an add on for me, I wasn't charging to keep it up, I was charging to create it. Councilwoman Landis stated that her only problem with the e-mail blasts is that there are still people on dial up. I'm afraid there is too much on there for it to come through. Mr. Kurlander replied it's not that big of a file or they could do a text only one also. The board opted to table this matter until the October meeting to give Mr. Kurlander a chance to contact Virtual Towns. Matter tabled.

DOG CONTROL CONTRACT – Supervisor Sipos stated that everyone had the contract e-mailed to them, it's in front of you, it's an agreement between the Town of Forestburgh and the Goshen Humane Society to shelter any dogs picked up by our Dog Control Officer. As all of you have seen, I had Tara send an e-mail about placing a shelter at the Town Barn as it has electric and water, but we can't continue to keep them in the old town hall. **MOTION** by Councilman Galligan, seconded by Councilwoman Landis to authorize Attorney Bavoso to send the contract to Goshen Humane Society for their review and signature. Vote: 5 ayes – 0 nays. Motion carried.

BARTON & LOGUIDICE CONTRACT - As requested, they submitted the list of billing rates for their contract, the contract has been reviewed. **MOTION** by Councilman Galligan, seconded by Councilman Raponi to accept and authorize the Supervisor to enter into the contract with Barton & Loguidice. Vote: 5 ayes – 0 nays. Motion carried.

Supervisor Sipos further requested that the board continue reading through the original document prepared by Mr. Voss, and read from the adult uses regulation through sign regulations, which is 85-23. Sections 85-16 to 85-23.

TELEPHONE SYSTEM PROPOSALS – Previously we had received three quotes for a replacement telephone system, at that time we then questioned the wiring as the building is now over thirty years old. Attorney Bavoso sent his telephone man up who checked our wiring and stated that it is fine and can handle a new system without requiring replacement. They also submitted a quote. The quotes are as follows:

Bedick Communications	\$4,150.00
Universal Teleconnections	\$3,396.00
Richard Roa Tech Services	\$3,275.00
All American Telecom, Inc.	\$2,990.00 or lease for 2 years at \$150.00/ mo. Or 5 years at \$79.00/mo.

Supervisor Sipos stated that a card reader system will let us know who was in this building at what time, take a photo and record what time that person left. Supervisor Sipos questioned if we could get a better price if we bundled the systems together. Supervisor Sipos requested that all vendors be contacted to find out who can do camera systems as well. It is a matter of safety here at the town hall and at the highway department there is equipment and fuel and it's a matter of security and safety. Matter tabled until the October 4 meeting. Matter tabled.

NEW BUSINESS

PLANNING BOARD BUDGET – Supervisor Sipos stated that this will be discussed at our budget workshop on October 10. Matter tabled.

Supervisor Sipos stated that even though it's not on the agenda, as many of you drove down Route 42 today, you have seen two tractor trailers at the firehouse with the cell tower components on them. We are moving forward. As far as Lost Lake goes, they are still awaiting their permits from the DEC.

Mary Ann Toomey asked how much is the contract with Barton & Loguidice? Supervisor Sipos gave her his copy of the contract. And stated \$118.00 a month.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – MOTION by Supervisor Sipos, seconded by Councilman Galligan to enter into executive session for the purpose of litigation and invite Assessor Dave Griffin and Attorney Bavoso into said session. Vote: 5 ayes – 0 nays. Motion carried.

MOTION by Supervisor Sipos, seconded by Councilman Galligan to terminate the executive session at 7:43 p.m. Vote: 5 ayes – 0 nays. Motion carried.

MOTION by Councilman Galligan, seconded by Councilwoman Landis to approve the settlement between the Town of Forestburgh and Verizon and authorize Attorney Plotsky to sign said agreement. Vote: 5 ayes – 0 nays. Motion carried.

ADJURNMENT – MOTION by Supervisor Sipos to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne K. Nagoda,
Town Clerk