

Letter to the Board

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September 5, 2008

"Genuine beginnings begin within us, even when they are brought to our attention by external opportunities."
--- William Throsby Bridges, Major General, Australian Army

Board Agenda:

- 1. <u>Executive Session</u>: We had hoped to have an executive session with Kristen Benson but she is unable to be here. She said she will try to come in a few weeks to explain the next steps and to answer questions. Since there will be no executive session we will start at our regular 7:00 time.
- **2.** <u>Moment of Silence</u>: This meeting is on the 7th anniversary of the 9/11 attack on our nation. President Robusto will lead us in a moment of silence following the pledge in recognition of those innocent victims who lost their lives on that day.
- **3.** Opening Day: I will be giving a report on how the opening of school went this year including changes. I will tell you that it appears to have begun very smoothly. We did have some seniors write on the sidewalk the night before but it was in chalk and harmless. They even wrote "welcome freshman" and "freshman love seniors" which is a far cry from worries about freshman being pushed into lockers by seniors.
- 4. <u>Facilities Update</u>: Greg and I travel to Albany on Wednesday with our architects. We will be discussing the aide issue with members of the facilities department of SED. As you are aware there is about \$8 million dollars of unaided express as the project has been developed. We are going to see if there is any way more aid can be generated. Greg and I are both in agreement that we do not any project that will weaken our currently strong financial position. We are also seeking guidance from them on our windmill development. We want to size it correctly to maximize power generator and aid. In preparation of our meeting with SED, and Tuesday we are meeting with the engineer that designed the Harbec installation.
 - I am not sure what information I'll have for you Thursday. It will probably have to be a fairly loose discussion. We will share what we learned, answer and questions and present some different options. I do not see it as a decision making night but rather an informational gathering session so that a decision can be made at a later meeting.
- 5. <u>Student Representative</u>: Senior Samantha LaBarge will be our student representative. Sam spent this past summer as a Rotary Exchange student in Brazil and will be hosting her Brazilian sister this December for 6 weeks. Sam is the daughter of MS math teacher Brad LaBarge and FE Elementary teacher Tracy LaBarge. Sam has participated in Wayne soccer until recently, still plays Wayne Wings, is a Senior Class advisor, is in Rotary Interact Club, Yearbook Club, is a member of Student Senate. She has worked at

Ton's Original for 2 years. Sam plans on attending SUNY Brockport to pursue an education in psychology and business.

- **6. Student Questions**: This segment is on the agenda, however, I do not really anticipate any government class students attending a board meeting just yet....
- 7. <u>Board Action Items:</u> Personnel and CSE/CPSE action items are presented as usual. The lion's share of our personnel actions did occur over the summer and I am pleased to reiterate that we are meeting nearly all of our student's special needs within the district. This is a tremendous benefit to our students in keeping them connected to their home district, but it also offers several cost savings opportunities as well. Under the Consent agenda we have two Treasurer's reports (June and July), bid awards for a pump for the HS steam heating system, copy paper and cafeteria supplies, budget transfers, fire safety report and the corrective action plan for the general fund.
- **8.** Four County Update: Mrs. Lyke will provide an update on Four County matters.

Board Letter

- 1. <u>IB Breakfast</u>: On Friday morning we had an informal breakfast for our 13 IB diploma candidates. It was the first time I had seen them all together. I found it to be an exciting moment to have real students to go with the program. They were each given t-shirts with the IB emblem. I was also presented with an IB flag. You will notice that it now flies to the right of the US flag in front of the school. Mr. Siracuse wants to try to have some sort of meeting with them each month to create that sense of team. They will begin the program second semester so this gives them a head start at being a group. Joe will be giving us an update in the near future.
- **2.** <u>Tax Collection</u>: We have been collecting taxes. So far it has gone smoothly. We collected \$65,000 on the first day. Most people like to wait until the very last moment but some are afraid they will forget and so come at the first moment they can. We expect to collect 18.6 million dollars over the course of these two months.
- **3.** Overnight Athletic Trips: Attached is a list of overnight athletic trips. I have approved this list initial listing of trips. Please let me know if you have any questions.

4. **Upcoming Dates:**

9/9 – MS PTO Mtg @ Media Center – 6:30 p.m.

9/10 – FE Curriculum Night – 7:00 p.m.

9/11 – FE Welcome Back Breakfast

9/15-20 – Homecoming Week – Various Activities

9/15 – HS Parent Group Mtg in HS Faculty Room – 7:00 p.m.

9/15 – TCA Friends of Music Mtg @ MS Conference Room – 6:30 p.m.

9/18 – MS Curriculum Night & Book Fair – 7:00 -9:00 p.m.

9/18 – FLCC Gemini Registrations @ HS -2:30 – 3:30

9/18 - Four County Board of Directors Mtg

9/19 - FE Back to School Bash

10/2 – Four County General Membership Mtg

Athletics:

- 9/5 Boys JV & V Volleyball vs. Charlotte 4:30 p.m. & 5:30 p.m.
- 9/5 Girls V Tennis vs. Mynderse 4:00 p.m.
- 9/5 Boys JV & V Soccer vs. Canandaigua 4:30 & 6:30 p.m.
- 9/6 Boys JV Football vs. Brighton 10:00 a.m.
- 9/9 Girls V Tennis Team vs. Canandaigua 4:00 p.m.
- 9/9 Boys JV & V Soccer vs. Mynderse 4:30 & 6:30 p.m.
- 9/11 Girls JV & V Volleyball vs. Pal-Mac 5:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.
- 9/11 Girls JV Tennis vs. HAC 4:00 p.m.
- 9/12 Boys V Football vs. Geneva 7:00 p.m.
- 9/12 Girls JV & V Volleyball vs. Mercy High School 5:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.

4. Attachments:

- a) Andy Templeman/Michael Havens E-mail
- b) Athletic Department Overnight Trips
- c) Four County News & Notes August
- d) Four County Fall Planning Mtg 9/18
- e) Albright Farm Genesee Land Trust Invitation
- f) Walworth Town Board Meeting Minutes 8/21
- g) Four County General Membership Mtg Information 10/2
- h) Four County Voting Delegates Mtg Information 10/4

Hello all,

It looks like this has been an excellent start. I know each one of you has been working extremely hard to make it go so smoothly. -thanks.

With Andy's permission, I am forwarding an email he sent to Mike this morning. Andy is a third grade teacher at Wayne. If you do not know Andy, he is a wonderful man and teacher. He raises an issue that has been discussed before. In fact we formed a committee a couple years ago to see if we should eliminate the cross district bus run. Andy is just so clear in what he is saying that I feel the need to raise the issue again. I know we may end up in exactly the same place, but I would like to once again have a discussion at council. If anyone still has the pros and cons developed from before please bring them.

Thanks.

Michael

From: Templeman, Andy

Sent: Thursday, September 04, 2008 4:32 PM

To: Pullen, Mike

Subject: 5,400 minutes lost

Mike,

5,400 minutes or 90 hours or 15 school days: That is the total amount of time a student misses when they take the Cross District bus each day. Guess who has a student leaving early each day? I would just like to reiterate my concerns as I have in the past about this issue. I know you understand this as well. I just do not understand how this is approved by the district so a child can go to a sitter's home or daycare? And of course, this child is a Title 1 student who will miss some writing instruction at the end of the day.

Andy



Wayne Central School District Athletic Department Home of the Eagles



To: Michael Havens

From: Marc Blankenberg

Date: 7/15/08

Re: Request for Overnight Athletic Trips – 2008-09

A. Varsity Wrestling - There will be 3 overnight trips that are TBA as of 7/08:

B. Varsity Girls & Boys Alpine Skiing:

Request to stay overnight during Sectionals at Bristol Mountain February 8-9 (Boys) & 10-11 (Girls), 2009

More details to follow

C. Girls Varsity Volleyball:

2008 Horseheads Classic @ Horseheads High School
12-15 Volleyball will attend. Each student will complete an "Extended Field Trip Form".
Chaperones will be Coach Hosenfeld & Coach Aman to meet the 1 to 10 Ratio.
Transportation will be provided by WCS Transportation Dept.
Lodging will be paid for by the Volleyball Booster Club: Holiday Inn Express, Horseheads. NY
Leave @ 11:00am on 10/17/08 & Return 10/18/08 in the pm

D. JV & Varsity Boys Soccer:

Request to take teams to Houghton College for 3 nights, overnight for pre-season training. 40-45 soccer players will be attending and complete an "Extend Field Trip Permission Form". Chaperones will be Coach Mattle, Coach Marino, Coach Thomson, Coach Wheaton. Transportation will be provided by WCS. Lodging will be paid by the Soccer Booster Club Leaving on 8/24/08 and returning on 8/26/08

E. JV & Varsity Football:

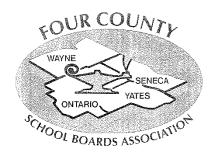
2008 Team Building Overnight to 4H Camp Bristol Hills- Team building/team practice 70-80 JV/Varsity Football Players will attend and compete an "Extended Field trip Form". Chaperones will be the all the Varsity/JV/Modified Coaching staffs (7 coaches & athletic trainer) Transportation provided by WCS.

Lodging and fees paid for by Booster Club

Leaving on 8/26 & Returning on 8/28



August 2008



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MARY TRANELLI
Administrative Assistant

Fall Planning Meetings

Thursday, September 18, 2008

6:00 p.m.

Legislative Committee Meeting

7:00 p.m.

Dinner

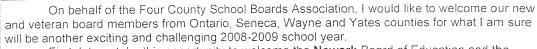
7:30 p.m.

Board of Directors' Meeting

Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES Regional Support Center

Jack Loveless Conference Room

131 Drumlin Court, Newark, NY 14513



First, let me take this opportunity to welcome the **Newark** Board of Education and the **Williamson** Board of Education as new members to Four County School Boards Association. It is both a privilege and an honor to have both boards as part of our organization.

This year more than ever it is important that each of us learn as much as we can so that when we are voting at our board meetings we can do so confidently and know we possess knowledge of the subject matter at hand. Many significant issues will be facing us throughout the year including Property Tax Caps, Mandate Relief both funded and unfunded, surging fuel, health care and pension costs and of course the concern for state aid that will be both reliable and predictable. It is incumbent that each of us is well versed in these and many other areas.

To that end, we would encourage all of our board members and Superintendents to attend the program offerings of our Four County School Boards Association or workshops offered at the state level through the New York School Boards Association. Additionally, your Four County School Boards Program Planning Committee is committed to providing as many quality-learning opportunities as possible through the programs offered at our General Membership Meetings. We invite you to take advantage of the opportunities!

Also, we would encourage all of our members to become active contributors to the committees offered through Four County School Boards Association. Your attendance as your board's representative, to Four County SBA meetings for the Board of Directors, Program Planning, Legislative Committee, Presidents/Vice-Presidents (just to name a few) is vital to the success of your Four County School Boards Association.

Being a productive and contributing school board member requires dedication and work. It also means becoming a lifelong learner. No matter what we think we know about board service, we still have a lot to learn! We encourage both new and veteran board members to attend all of our General Membership Meetings throughout the year.

Hope to see you at our opening General Membership meeting to be held on Thursday, October 2, 2008 at Club 86 in Geneva!

Tom

FROM YOUR AREA DIRECTOR



Hello to all the 4CSBA members, It was great to see several of you at Leadership Forum held at the Woodcliff in Fairport on August 9th. I hope you found the program helpful and that it provided some new leadership ideas, even for those of us who may have held local board leadership positions in the past. I also met several of the new board members from

Area 2 at the new Board member training workshops in Buffalo the weekend of July 19-20 and again on Friday August 22, at the Rochester Airport Marriott; both provided some good insight into what lies ahead in your school board career.

I can't believe this summer is almost over and the 2008-2009 school year is about to begin, time does seem to fly by. I hope for most of you the weather cooperated with your outdoor plans? Area 2 districts had significantly more rain than other parts of the state but all in all the summer weather cooperated with most outdoor plans. With the new school year just around the corner, I hope you all had a chance for a little R & R to renew and refresh yourselves.

As we start the new school year the "Tax Cap" discussion looms heavy on our minds and there may be times when NYSSBA asks you to reach out to your local elected officials to reinforce various point.

I hope to see many of you at the Albany Training Academy in early September there are always some new points to pick up.

In closing I hope you enjoy these last few weeks of summer. see vou soon.

If you need to contact me information is listed below, I'd love to hear from you.

My email addresses are: tnespeca@rochester.rr.com, or thomas.nespeca@carestreamhealth.com. Telephone numbers are: home 585-671-7858, work 585-627-6425, cell 585-747-9922. Feel free to use any of them and they all have voice mail so leave a message and I'll do my best to get back to you ASAP.

Tom



LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE Anne Morgan, Committee Chair

To quote from the Four County Goals "we will encourage individual members and boards to be more actively involved with legislative issues

impacting education." To help us accomplish this, I encourage all Committee representatives and alternates to participate in the Legislative Committee meetings and workshops for 2008-2009. We provide stimulating conversation and hands-on opportunities to advocate for our school districts and the students we serve. And, if that's not enough to bring you to our Saturday morning workshops, we offer fresh bagels, hot coffee, and the opportunity to be involved as the Committee discusses the issues and prepares the Association's State, Federal, and Regents Position Papers. These sessions can always be counted on to provide you with up-to-the minute information on a variety of timely and important topics. Superintendents are invited to all Legislative Committee events and a welcome addition to the discussions and deliberations. I look forward to seeing you at the fall planning meeting on September 18 and your participation throughout 2008-2009.



2008 SUMMER INSTITUTE

A weekend of professional development for both new and veteran board members September 5 - 7, 2008 The Desmond Hotel & Conference Center Albany, New York

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EDUCATION LAW CONFERENCE "Thriving vs. Surviving: Essential Knowledge That Matters to All Education Leaders"

September 11, 2008 The Double Tree Hotel Syracuse, New York 13057 (In cooperation with The Study Council at Syracuse University)

Registration and additional information for both event availab at the NYSSBA website which is linked through www.4csba.org





WELCOME BACK NEWARK AND WILLIAMSON

Four County is happy to welcome the board members from both Newark and Williamson to membership in the Association for 2008-2009. Please help us extend a warm welcome to the board members and their superintendents:

- From Newark Roberta Colacino, Joe DeSanto, Susie Earl, Teresa Hurley, Tom Ledbetter, Yvonne MacTaggart, Nick Santino and Superintendent Henry Hahn
- From Williamson Michael Collins, Linda Moll, Robert Wendler, Karen Fitzgerald Williams, Patrick Wright, and Superintendent Maria Ehresman

We look forward to their participation in programs and contributions to committee discussions and decision making.







General Membership Meeting

October 2, 2008 Guest speaker

ROBERT FREEMAN

Executive Director of the NYS Committee on Open Government Learn about the requirements of the Open Meetings and Freedom of Information Laws

Area 2 Proposed Resolutions Discussion

Saturday, October 4, 2008 Canandaigua Academy

MARK YOUR CALENDARS Watch for details!

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WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBERS AND

SUPERINTENDENTS

Four County extends a warm welcome to our newest members. Elected to serve on their boards for the first time effective July 1, 2008 were:

Kelly Lane (Bloomfield)

Tom Reho (Canandaigua)

Carl Christensen (Dundee)

Kelly Sanson (Gananda)

Hope Alexanian (Lyons)

Nancy Sheremeta (Lyons)

Melissa Bretz (Manchester-Shortsville)

Diane Hixson (Manchester-Shortsville)

Michael Liberty (Manchester-Shortsville)

Margaret Ball (Marcus Whitman)

Barbara Howard (Naples)

Margo Ulmer (Naples)

Yvonne Mac Taggart (Newark)

Josepeh DeSanto (Newark)

Kari Durham (North Rose-Wolcott)

Philip Rose (Sodus)

Thorne Vander Broek (Sodus)

David Terry, Jr. (South Seneca)

Jennifer Davis (Victor)

Dom Paz (Wayne)

Karen Fitzgerald-Williams (Williamson)

Robert Wendler (Williamson)

Welcome back to Jackie Brunner (Wayne) and Bill Gowan (Marcus Whitman) who have served their boards in the past and were re-elected in May.

Welcome also to John Mavromatis who began his term in Bloomfield during the 2007-2008 year.

And to newly appointed superintendents:

Michael Chirco – Marcus Whitman Michael Hoose – Romulus Shawn VanScoy – Gananda

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL

We look forward to seeing you at Association events throughout 2008-2009



Website Spotlight

www.cep-dc.org - The Center on Education Policy - results of a report Has Student Achievement

ncreased Since 2002?: State Test Score Trends Through 2006-2007 uggests that accountability may help narrow the achievement gap. http://ies.ed.gov/ - The U.S. Department of Education's Institute of Education Sciences What Works Clearing House findings about coelerated middle schools.

Both links found at www.4csba.org

PROGRAM PLANNING COMMITTEE Kathy Malone, Committee Chair

Program planning for the 2008-2009 general membership meetings started off with a highly energized committee meeting on

June 17. ELEVEN school districts were represented by committee members: Bloomfield's Mike Ellis, Canandaigua's Donna Cotter, Clyde-Savannah's Kathy Malone (chairman), Dundee's Kristen Van Valkenberg, Geneva's Tom Scherer, Marcus Whitman's Tara Farmer, Penn Yan's Nancy Scher, Phelps-Clifton Springs' Terrie Meyn, Romulus' Anne Morgan, Wayne's Joyce Lyke, and Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES' O.J. Sahler.

The group began a discussion of the importance to the Association in reaching out to non-member districts to encourage the return of their membership. [In fact, we are very pleased to announce that the school boards of both Newark and Williamson voted at their July re-organization meetings to re-join the Association.] Our membership now represents 20 of the 25 component school districts (and BOCES) that comprise the Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES supervisory district. In addition, South Seneca CSD is also a member of our organization. These are districts that clearly recognize today's necessity for the networking opportunities that our Association continually provides.

Another significant discussion focused on the Association's desire to encourage the active involvement of our schools' superintendents. It is important that we convey clearly that our superintendents are also a vital part of our membership and as we begin the 2008-2009 school year, we send out a reminder to these administrators that they need not wait for an invitation from their boards to attend our general membership meetings. We have several superintendents who have been faithful attendees at these meetings over the years, and we encourage others to join them!

The June 17 meeting resulted in a very comprehensive list of ideas for future programs. Just a few of these include vertical alignment of curriculum, declining enrollment, property tax cap, childhood nutrition, New York State tenure and certification changes, bullying, board strategic planning, Open Meetings rules and requirements, handheld technology, food service operations, International Baccalaureate programs, paperless boards, board clerks, celebration of staff, NCLB, various guest speakers, and many, many more.

These ideas and suggestions are passed on to the Association's steering committee whose members use them as a springboard to set up the school year's general membership meetings' programs. We thank all of those who have taken time from their very busy schedules to play an active role on this committee! The lively, creative exchange and discussion of ideas at this past June's meeting affirmed the viability and necessity of the program planning committee's mission. The Association is looking forward to a year that will inform and engage each of you as you continue your vital role as a school board member.

that every child should be given the wish to learn." -Sir John Lubbock

August 9 Board Officers'	5	September SBI Courses	October 2 FCSBA General Membership Program	November December 7 NYSSBA Policy Workshop (Roch.) 2 Statewide School Finance Consortium
9 Board Officers' Academy (Roch. 12 FCSBA Steering Comm. 22 NYSSBA New Board Member Academy (Roch 26 Statewide School Finance Consorti) 5 5-1.) 9 um 11	(Albany) COLSBA Meeting (tent.) NYSSBA New Board/Veteran Academies FCSBA Steering Committee Meeting Education Law Conference (Syr.) FCSBA Board of Directors FCSBA Legislative Committee	2 FCSBA General Membership Program 4 Area 2 Resolutions Discussion 5-7 NYSCOSS Fall Conference 13 Columbus Day Holiday 16 Pre-Convention Law Conference 16-19 NYSSBA Convention 16-18 Upstate/Downstate Hospitality Suite 17 Upstate/Downstate Resolutions Discussion 23 Statewide School Finance Consortium 25 FCSBA Legislative Position Paper Workshop (tent.) 29 FCSBA General	
			Membership Program 29 FCSBA Program Planning Meeting	



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FALL PLANNING MEETINGS

Sharon A. Sweeney Executive Director

Thursday, September 18, 2008

- 6:00 p.m. Legislative Committee Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Dinner
- 7:30 p.m. Board of Directors' Meeting

Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES Regional Support Center
Jack Loveless Conference Room
131 Drumlin Court, Newark, NY 14513

Four County School Boards Association Legislative and Board of Directors' Meetings Thursday, September 18, 2008 Buffet dinner \$12.00 per person

Please make your reservations no later than September 15, 2008 by:

	Pn: 315-332-7294	Fax: 315-332-7474	E-mail: 4countysba@edutecn.or
School Distr	rict:		Total Attending
		Name:	

24 hour cancellation notice required



Come enjoy a visit to the scenic 339-acre Albright Farm
on Lake Road. Genesee Land Trust and
the Town of Ontario have
partnered to permanently protect this
farm of fruit orchards, row crops and old
growth woods with an agricultural

conservation easement. Join an extended tour of the land at 10:30 a.m., or stop by anytime between 10 and Noon to take a short walk, look at maps and enjoy the views.

When:

Saturday, September 13, 10 a.m. to Noon

Where:

Lake Road in the Town of Ontario between

WALWORTH TOWN BOARD – REGULAR MEETING 21 AUGUST 2008

Presiding Supervisor Plant called the regularly scheduled Town Board meeting, held at the Walworth Town Hall, 3600 Lorraine Drive, to order at 7:30 PM.

Present: Thomas Yale Councilman

Frank Maciuska Councilman
Patricia Marini Councilwoman
Suzi Hawkins-Mance Councilwoman
Susie C. Jacobs Town Clerk

Mike Frederes Highway Superintendent
Rob Burns Sewer Superintendent
Rosyueline Van Lere Rosyueline Pirester

Jacqueline Van Lare Recreation Director Ed Parrone Engineer for the Town

MINUTES:

Motion by Councilwoman Hawkins-Mance to approve the minutes of August 7, 2008, Special Meeting as presented.

Seconded by Councilwoman Marini. Adopted: Vote Ayes 5 Nays 0

Motion by Councilwoman Hawkins-Mance to approve the minutes of August 7, 2008, as presented.

Seconded by Councilwoman Marini. Adopted: Vote Ayes 5 Nays 0

CORRESPONDENCE:

Susie Jacobs, Town Clerk, had nothing to enter into record.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

Motion by Councilwoman Marini to approve and file the Supervisor's Monthly Report for July, 2008, as presented.

Seconded by Councilwoman Hawkins-Mance.

Discussion: Councilman Maciuska would like it noted that perhaps a quality check could be done on the copies verifying that all the information was legible.

Adopted: Vote Ayes 5 Nays 0

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Paul Phillips, a member of the Walworth Fire Department, Chairman of the Walworth Ambulance Committee, and President of newly-formed Walworth Ambulance Incorporated was present to share some of the changes that have taken place with the Walworth Fire Department Ambulance Service in the last few months. In the Spring of 2008 the Walworth Fire Department convened a

committee to look into stabilizing their budget for the ambulance for future years. The committee looked at several options and interviewed several local fire departments and found that a very successful route that a lot of departments were taking was to incorporate ambulance services and use third-party billing companies as a stable revenue source. At this time they have their Certificate of Need application filed with the State. The State is reviewing that information, and their hope is that by October 1, 2008, they should be declared as the new ambulance for the area. He assured everyone that with a new name they were still the same people, formed by the fire department members. The big difference is that NYS does not allow fire departments to bill for ambulance services, which makes fire departments' ambulance services totally dependent on donations, town tax money and charitable sources such as United Way. With the exception of Town money, both of the other sources are extremely variable and they needed to find a way to stabilize their income in order to ensure there would be a

WALWORTH TOWN BOARD – REGULAR MEETING CONTINUED 21 AUGUST 2008

quality ambulance service for years to come. He introduced Eric Dodge with MedEx Billing who explained third-party billing. He stated that there would be a lot of questions and he would leave his number for anyone who needed to contact him. (Mr. Dodge spoke very quickly and the recording was not clear enough to make an accurate documentation of his statements.)

RESOLUTION 61-08 - AUDIT OF CLAIMS:

Councilman Maciuska offered the following Resolution **61-08** and moved its adoption. Seconded by Councilman Yale to wit:

WHEREAS, the following claims submitted at the scheduled Town Board Meeting of August 21, 2008, have been audited and approved by the appropriate Council Members.

BE IT RESOLVED that the claims be paid on **Abstract #8**, numbered 1,061 through 1,248, in the following amounts:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 118,971.58
HIGHWAY FUND	\$ 173,541.51
WALWORTH SEWER DISTRICT #1	\$ 23,491.27
BROOKSIDE LIGHT DISTRICT	\$ 10.47
GANANDA LIGHT DISTRICT	\$ 887.90
HARVEST HILL LIGHT DISTRICT	\$ 647.43
ORCHARD VIEW LIGHT DISTRICT	\$ 98.12
WALWORTH LIGHT DISTRICT	\$ 552.62
GANANDA SIDEWALK DISTRICT	\$ 23,488.14
WALWORTH CONSOLIDATED DRAINAGE	\$ 893.00
PARK SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	\$ 685.45

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the claims be paid on **Abstract #8**, numbered 124 through 156, in the following amounts:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council of the Town of Walworth adopt resolution **61-08**.

Adopted this 21st day of August, 2008, at the meeting of the Town Council.

Roll call vote: Councilman Maciuska Aye

Councilwoman Marini Aye
Councilwoman Hawkins-Mance Aye
Councilman Yale Aye
Supervisor Plant Aye

Resolution carried.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT - BOYNTON ROAD PROJECT

Mike Frederes, Highway Superintendent, stated that the Boynton Road project was completed, except for the sweeping to be done.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT - CHIPS FUNDING

Mike Frederes stated that paperwork had been submitted for the CHIPS reimbursement; it should be here in September.

WALWORTH TOWN BOARD – REGULAR MEETING CONTINUED 21 AUGUST 2008

SEWER DEPARMENT - COMPLETED PROJECTS

Rob Burns, Sewer Superintendent, reported that the roof replacement at the Waste Water Treatment Plant was finished, the diffusers for the S.B.R. tank replacements had been completed, the sleeves were completed and the sludge tank patch work had been done.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT - GINEGAW PAVILION ROOF

Jacqueline VanLare, Recreation Director, reported that the roof replacement on the Ginegaw Pavilion was half-done.

ENGINEER FOR THE TOWN - DESIGN CRITERIA

Ed Parrone, Engineer for the Town, stated that this month he and Phil Williamson should finish the Design Criteria and present it to the Town Board.

TOWN CLERK - VAULT SHELVING TOWN CLERK OFFICE

Susie Jacobs, Town Clerk, reported that the new vault shelving was installed on Friday August 15, 2008, by ASR. The new 18 gauge interlock no-bolt/adjustable steel shelving has a total capacity of 210 cubic boxes. Each shelf can hold up to 480 pounds. This vault now meets NYS State Archives specifications. Susie thanked the Sewer Department for their help in removing the old shelving. The Sewer Department was most thankful to have them and will put them to good use.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Councilman Maciuska announced that Kitty Meier was the new President of the Friends of the Walworth-Seely Public Library. He also reported that the ice cream social was a huge success.

SEWER COMMITTEE - SEWER ENGINEER

Councilman Maciuska stated that the committee had completed all of the five (5) interviews for the Engineer for the Sewer Department and would like to present their first choice for consideration by the Town Board. The one that stood out, coming to the committee with recognition of what the problems were and proposing solutions with much more depth than what the others presented, that they would like to place a nomination for, was Parrone/Labella.

Motion by Councilman Maciuska to nominate Parrone/Labella for the Engineer for the Sewer Department.

Seconded by Councilwoman Marini.

Roll call vote: Councilman Maciuska Aye

Councilwoman Marini Aye
Councilwoman Hawkins-Mance Aye
Councilman Yale Aye
Supervisor Plant Aye

Motion carried.

Councilman Maciuska stated that the Sewer Department was entertaining the budget for sewer and would like to go on record as saying that for years they did their best to keep the rates low and went for years without a rate increase. Up until two years ago they held rates stable and at one point had a six percent decrease, which was something unusual in the municipal area. In hindsight that frugality was great at the time but had hurt us now, because the reserves are low. We have a lot of repairs and things to do. We are regretfully looking at the potential of having to implement a rate increase. We are looking to partner with Macedon for some things, which would probably keep the costs down. Running a sewer business is not a cheap business, but we have an obligation to protect the asset.

WALWORTH TOWN BOARD – REGULAR MEETING CONTINUED 21 AUGUST 2008

MORATORIUM – POWER GENERATION:

Councilman Yale reported that the Planning Board had an interesting work session proposal come before it on August 20, 2008, for a wind generator. Councilman Yale stated that he was not present but did some pre-work on it. In researching Town Law, he noted that we have very limited laws regarding wind generation of energy. Basically, all it addresses is making sure that it doesn't fall on somebody else's lot and has to do with the old concept of something being on a tower and falling over. This particular type of generation is not that type - it is actually a much smaller type - it's conical and fits on a roof. It comes somewhere out of the Midwest; the resident had spoken with RG&E and stated that RG&E was happy with it. It was going to be interesting to see, Councilman Yale said, as these proliferate to some degree. Discussion ensued. Councilman Yale stated that it was wonderful that people were entering into this, however, the Town needed to be prepared to see if there was anything the Town would need to be concerned with. Councilman Maciuska stated that it might be prudent for right now to have a moratorium until we could get a law on the books; he gave an example of the temporary garages as a reason for this. Councilman Maciuska stated that a moratorium would give the Town six months to research the issue and time

to get something on the books. It would be easier to do this than to go back and try to fix it later. Discussion ensued with the decision that the presentation was a concept at a work session. Ed Parrone advised the Town Board that it would be very smart to do this now.

Motion by Councilman Yale to move a moratorium on the establishment of residential and commercial power generation, not to include emergency stand-by generators – conventionally accepted, for a period not to exceed six months while the Town takes time to draft the appropriate legislature.

Seconded by Councilman Maciuska.

Discussion: Supervisor Plant questioned what alternative energy included, a fireplace or wood burning stove. Councilman Yale amended the motion with power generation. Supervisor Plant questioned stand-by generators. Motion amended with "not to include emergency stand-by generators - conventionally accepted." Councilman Maciuska stated that it needed to be clear that the intent was not to stop it, the intent was to make sure that there would be clear guidance for people who want to do it.

Roll call vote: Councilman Maciuska Aye

Councilwoman Marini Aye
Councilwoman Hawkins-Mance Aye
Councilman Yale Aye
Supervisor Plant Nay

Motion carried.

TOWN COMPLEX STUDTY GROUP

Councilwoman Hawkins-Mance stated that the Town Complex Study Group would meet on September 24, 2008.

DOG CONTROL

Councilwoman Hawkins-Mance requested that a thank-you letter be sent to the Wayne County Sherriff's Office, Mark Plyter, Wayne County Humane Society, and Gary Rose, Town of Palmyra, for their assistance with the dangerous dog situation on August 11, 2008.

Councilwoman Hawkins-Mance stated that she was working with Phil Williamson, Code Enforcement Officer, regarding penalty fees.

WALWORTH TOWN BOARD – REGULAR MEETING CONTINUED 21 AUGUST 2008

BINGO LAW:

Council members discussed preliminary information for the Bingo Law and decided that Sunday games would be permitted. The information would be compiled into legal form for the next Town Board meeting and then go to the County in order to be on the ballot in November, 2008.

MISSION STATEMENT:

To provide services to the Town residents for their health, safety and welfare which are not readily available from private sources and to do this in a way consistent with the needs of the residents as a whole.

Recognizing that we all serve at the pleasure of and for the benefit of the residents of the Town, we will strive to provide these services in a polite and friendly manner consistent with being public servants and recognizing that each person's request, question or problem is very important to them and therefore to us.

Motion by Councilman Yale to accept this as the Town of Walworth Mission Statement.

Seconded by Councilwoman Hawkins-Mance.

Adopted: Vote Ayes 5 Nays 0

FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS:

Councilwoman Marini offered the following Resolution **62-08** and moved its adoption. Seconded by Councilman Yale to wit:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Senior Account Clerk be authorized to modify budget as follows:

\$3,657.90 from A1990.41 Contingent Account to cover current expenses:

\$3,304.90 A1620.21R Computer Equipment

\$65.50 A5410.21R Construction Hamlet Sidewalks

\$67.50 A5410.41 Repair of Sidewalks

\$220.00 A6989.41 Farm Land Preservation Grant

Roll call vote: Councilman Maciuska Aye

Councilwoman Marini Aye
Councilwoman Hawkins-Mance Aye
Councilman Yale Aye
Supervisor Plant Aye

Resolution carried.

JUSTICE COURT AUDIT:

Councilman Maciuska inquired if there had been a response from the Justice regarding the checkbook and presenting it for audit. Supervisor Plant replied that there was a response and that both Justices' checkbooks would be present for audit at the September 4, 2008, meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Councilwoman Hawkins-Mance to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Marini and unanimously carried.

Time: 8:14 PM.

RE-OPEN:

Supervisor Plant called Council members back to re-open the meeting to discuss an item. General public and media were still present, no objections to re-opening the meeting.

Time: 8:17 PM.

WALWORTH TOWN BOARD – REGULAR MEETING CONTINUED 21 AUGUST 2008

BURN PERMIT – 4300 CANANDAIGUA ROAD:

Motion by Councilman Yale to approve the burn permit for 4300 Canandaigua Road given that after contact with the school there were no objections and providing the resident followed the recommendations of the school as presented.

Seconded by Councilwoman Hawkins-Mance.

Adopted: Vote Ayes 5 Nays 0

ADJOURNMENT:

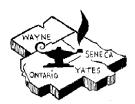
Motion by Councilwoman Hawkins-Mance to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Marini and unanimously carried.

Time: 8:19 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Susie C. Jacobs Town Clerk

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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Thursday, October 2, 2008 Club 86, Avenue E, Geneva, NY 5:30 - Registration/Conversation 6:30 - Dinner 7:30 - **Program**

Guest Speaker ROBERT J. FREEMAN, Esq.

Executive Director, NYS Committee on Open Government

The Committee on Open Government is responsible for overseeing and advising with regard to the Freedom of Information (FOIL), Open Meetings and Personal Privacy Protection Laws (Public Officers Law, Articles 6, 7 and 6-A respectively). Specific responsibilities of the Committee under the Freedom of Information Law involve furnishing advisory opinions, both oral and written, to any person and promulgating rules and regulations relative to procedural aspects of the Law. The Open Meetings Law requires that the Committee provide advice to any person. Advisory opinions are also prepared concerning the Personal Privacy Protection Law at the request of persons who are subjects of records covered by the Law, as well as at the request of state agencies seeking to comply with that statute.

Bob Freeman has been the Committee's Executive Director since 1976, having first served as its counsel. Bob has a law degree from New York University and a BS in Public Service from George Washington University. He is recognized across New York State and beyond as the expert on open government. An engaging speaker, Bob will discuss and answer questions about the "Sunshine" laws and their application to school boards and school board members, including how they apply to electronic communication, executive session, access to records etc., etc., etc.

Always a subject of interest to our members, the topic was also identified by our district clerks as an important topic for a joint event.

All Four County Board Members, Superintendents and Board Clerks are invited to join us!

(This notice has been sent to all Four County board members, superintendents, board clerks and secretaries.)

Four County School Boards Association General Membership Meeting Thursday, October 2, 2008

Please make your reservations no later than September 29, 2008 by: Ph: 315-332-7294 Fax: 315-332-7474 E-mail: 4countysba@edutech.org Website:

www.4csba.org/forms.cfm?myForm=3483

Meal Choices are: Pasta Primavera-\$19.00

Broiled White Fish-\$23.75

New York Strip-\$29.00

School District:	Total Attending
Name:	
	4 hour cancellation notice required

Attention

NYSSBA Voting Delegates & Alternates

FOUR COUNTY SBA
GENESEE VALLEY SBA
MONROE COUNTY SBA

AREA 2 PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS DISCUSSION

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2008 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Canandaigua City School District
Canandaigua Academy
(See map on back)

Library (second floor)

DISCUSSION LEADER Barbara Clark, Gates-Chili BOE

Area 2 Representative - NYSSBA Resolutions Committee

Hosted by Tom Nespeca, Area 2 Director

Reservations are appreciated but not required.

Contact:

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REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

NO FEE charged for this event!