

April 28, 2016

The Meeting of the Newfield Town Board was held at the Town Hall Board Room April 28, 2016 at 6:04 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Jeffrey Hart and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Present were: Supervisor Jeffrey Hart, Councilperson Joanne James, Councilperson Christine Laughlin, Councilperson Casey Powers and Councilperson Mike Allinger. Also present: Stephen Penningroth, Angel Hinickle, John Nagley and 3 attendees.

New Business

Stephen Penningroth - Executive Director of Community Science Institute gave a presentation regarding the Volunteer Water Quality Stream Monitoring Program and the Newfield portion of the program.

Mr. Penningroth also distinguished between CSI's volunteer stream monitoring program and MS4 reporting.

Mr. Penningroth gave an overview of the 3 branches of CSI's work: a certified water testing lab, operates volunteer water monitoring partnerships with municipalities and maintains the data base of data collected from volunteer water monitoring (data can be used by private citizens and municipalities).

Discussion also arose of baseline well water testing for nitrates and e-coli. Mr. Penningroth stated the home owner could bring in a water sample to CSI for testing for a cost of \$55.00. If CSI were to come to the property to collect the sample would be a \$60.00 collection charge in addition to the lab charge of \$55.00.

Motion was made by Councilperson Powers to approve the Supervisor to sign a contract to engage CSI to monitor Newfield creeks that flow to the Chesapeake Bay and Cayuga Lake Watersheds with the Volunteer Water Quality Stream Monitoring Program for the amount of \$4,820.00 for 2016, seconded by Councilperson James.

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Angel Hinickle from Tompkins County Soil and Water Conservation gave an overview of the services contacted by the Town regarding Storm Water Management and the Tompkins County Storm Water Coalition. Ms. Hinickle reminded the Board Newfield needs a representative at the TCSWC.

At 7:25 p.m., a motion was made by Councilperson Powers to move adjournment, seconded by Councilperson James.

Respectfully Submitted,

May 9, 2016

Karen Miller Kenerson, RMC
Newfield Town Clerk

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