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**TOWN OF DANBY  
TOWN BOARD MINUTES  
OCTOBER 13, 2008**

**PRESENT:**

Supervisor Fredric Dietrich

Councilpersons: Eugene Beavers, Leslie Connors, Daniel Klein, Joseph Salino

**Others Present:**

Carol Szczepanski - Town Clerk

Susan Beeners - Code Enforcement Officer

Roy Casterline - West Danby Water District Superintendent

Joel Gagnon - Member of the Public

Supervisor Dietrich called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and led all present to the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

**Additions to the Agenda:**

Resolution to set date for Budget 2009 Public Hearing

Resolution to the DoT requesting speed reduction on 96B

**REPORTS:**

**EMC** - Supervisor Dietrich reported that the EMC Representative e-mailed him a report today. He will send copies to the board. He reported on some of the issues around gas drilling in Tompkins County.

**Highway Department Report** - Received

**Zoning Report** - Received

Susan Beeners reported that her Assistant, Donna Inman has retired.

**Dog Control Report** - Received.

**Senior Citizens**

Carol Szczepanski said the monthly meetings will be held at noon for the winter months. Many of the seniors will be heading to a warmer climate for the Winter. This month they will be going to Clements Theater to see "Mama Mia", Thanksgiving dinner will be the first Thursday in November. Christmas luncheon will be held at Royal Court.

**Communications:**

Acknowledgment of receipt of resolution #58 from Governor Paterson.

Letter from Senator James Seward - response regarding our resolution regulating natural gas drilling.

Discussion followed regarding where water would come from should drilling occur in our area

and the effect it could have on our aquifer.

**Vehicle Towing - Proposed Local Law**

Supervisor Dietrich reported that he has researched the process that towing companies use for towing of vehicles. The sheriff generates RFP (requests for proposals) every year and companies who want to tow vehicles puts their name on the list. If towing of a vehicle is necessary, the sheriff goes down the list until they find one that is available.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**SPCA Report** - No Update

**Health Insurance (TCCOG)** - No Update

Supervisor Dietrich reported that there will be minutes available from the TCCOG that he will make available to the board.

**Hamlet Planning:**

Susan Beeners reported that the Planning Board and Steering Committee are doing the logistics and food for the all day hamlet public information meetings on October 24 and 25<sup>th</sup>. Invitations have been sent to the public, highway superintendent and water district superintendent for them to participate in the day long sessions.

**Set Date for Public Hearing - Budget for Fiscal Year 2009**

**RESOLUTION NO. 72 OF 2008**

By Supervisor Dietrich: Seconded by Councilperson Klein

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of Danby sets the date of Monday, November 3, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. for the Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2009

A roll call vote on the resolution resulted as follows:

Beavers	Aye
Connors	Aye
Klein	Aye
Salino	Aye
Dietrich	Aye

**Carried Unanimously**

**Set Date for Public Hearing - Proposed Local Law #3**

**Emergency Towing of Vehicles**

**RESOLUTION NO. 73 OF 2008**

By Supervisor Dietrich: Seconded by Councilperson Beavers

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of Danby sets the date of Monday, November 3, 2008 at 6:25 p.m. for a public hearing on the Proposed Local Law #3 - Emergency Towing of Vehicles.

A roll call vote on the resolution resulted as follows:

Beavers	Aye
Connors	Aye
Klein	Aye
Salino	Aye
Dietrich	Aye

**Carried Unanimously**

**RESOLUTION NO. 74 OF 2008**  
**SPEED LIMIT REDUCTION REQUEST**

By Supervisor Dietrich: Seconded by Councilperson Beavers

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Danby Town Board has received many requests from the Planning Board and many residents in the town to have the speed limit reduced to 35 miles per hour on NYS Rte. 96B through the Town of Danby between the intersections of East and West Miller Road and Michigan Hollow Road, and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Danby has development projects such as the Danby Community Park and Eco-Village on NYS Rte. 96B, and

**WHEREAS**, NYS Rte. 96B has increased speeding traffic through the Town of Danby generated by vehicles from many commuters from outlying areas and residents on their way to the City of Ithaca, Cornell University and Ithaca College as well as local traffic, now, be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of Danby requests that the New York State Department of Transportation reduce the speed limit on N.Y.S. Rte. 96B from 45 miles per hour to 35 miles per hour through the hamlet of Danby from Michigan Hollow Road to the East Miller Road and West Miller intersection.

A roll call vote on the resolution resulted as follows:

Beavers	Aye
Connors	Aye
Klein	Aye
Salino	Aye
Dietrich	Aye

**Carried Unanimously**

**Approval of Supervisor's August 2008 Report**  
**Motion to Approve Supervisor's Report**

A motion was made by Councilperson Salino and seconded by Councilperson Beavers that the Town Board of the Town of Danby approves the Town Supervisor's August 2008 report as submitted.

A roll call vote on the motion resulted as follows:

Beavers	Aye
Connors	Aye
Klein	Aye
Salino	Aye

**Carried**

**Approval of Town Clerk's September 2008 Report**

**Motion to Approve**

A motion was made by Councilperson Beavers and seconded by Councilperson Salino that the Town Board of the Town of Danby approves the Town Clerk's September 2008 report as submitted:

A roll call vote on the motion resulted as follows:

Beavers	Aye
Connors	Aye
Klein	Aye
Salino	Aye
Dietrich	Aye

**Carried Unanimously**

**APPROVAL OF WARRANTS**

**General Fund Warrant No. 10 of 2008**

A motion was made by Councilperson Beavers and seconded by Councilperson Salino that the Town Board approves the General Fund Warrant No 10 of 2008 in the amount of \$52, 274.49 vouchers numbered 373 - 422.

A roll call vote on the motion resulted as follows:

Beavers	Aye
Connors	Aye
Klein	Aye
Salino	Aye
Dietrich	Aye

**Carried Unanimously**

**Highway Fund Warrant No. 10 of 2008**

A motion was made by Councilperson Beavers and seconded by Supervisor Dietrich that the Town Board of the Town of Danby approves the Highway Fund Warrant No. 10 of 2008 in the amount of \$60,687.75 vouchers numbered 134-154.

A roll call vote on the motion resulted as follows:

Beavers	Aye
Connors	Aye

Klein	Aye
Salino	Aye
Dietrich	Aye

**Carried Unanimously**

**West Danby Water District Fund Warrant No. 10 of 2008**

A motion was made by Supervisor Dietrich and seconded by Councilperson Beavers that the Town Board of the Town of Danby approves the West Danby Water District Fund Warrant No. 10 of 2008 in the Amount of \$1,360.27.

A roll call vote on the motion resulted as follows:

Beavers	Aye
Connors	Aye
Klein	Aye
Salino	Aye
Dietrich	Aye

**Carried Unanimously**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

On a motion the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m. and entered into a Budget Work Session to review the Code Enforcement Officer's 2009 Budget Proposal.

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Carol W. Szczepanski, Town Clerk