

The Year-End Meeting of the Nassau Town Board was held on Monday, December 29, 2003 at the Nassau Town Hall with the following members present: Supervisor Carol Sanford and Council Members Ian Hart, Donald Carpentier and William Lobdell. Mrs. Sanford called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. with the salute to the flag.

Mrs. Sanford said that the Board Members have been presented with the proposed Moratorium Law. She asked if they had time to look it over and wanted to take any action tonight? This Law would impose a one hundred and eighty-day moratorium on acceptance of mining and excavation applications and approvals by the Town of Nassau.

No 265 Motion made by Mr. Carpentier; seconded by Mr. Hart to approve the proposed Moratorium Law as to form.

Poll vote:	Mr. Hart	Yes.
	Mr. Carpentier	Yes
	Mr. Lobdell	No; he understands that this will have no impact on the Troy Sand and Gravel proposed mine. He does not want to spend money that is not necessary.
	Mrs. Sanford	Yes.

No 266 Motion made by Mrs.. Sanford; seconded by Mr. Hart to contact St. Mary's Parish to see if the parish hall is available during the week of January 26 or February 2, and then schedule the Public Hearing on the Moratorium, based on the information obtained from St. Mary's.

Poll vote:	Mr. Hart	Yes
	Mr. Carpentier	Yes
	Mr. Lobdell	No
	Mrs. Sanford	Yes.

The Town Clerk is to notify Mr. Danaher of the date for the Public Hearing and he will contact the neighboring Towns, to advise them of the time and date.

At the last Town Board Meeting, a request was sent to the Planning Board to review the application of the Troy Sand and Gravel and to decide if they wanted to take Lead Agency status. At the Planning Board meeting, it is the understanding of Mrs. Sanford that it was a two to two vote, so they made no decision. One Board Member was absent. She has received no formal notice from the Planning Board explaining their decision so the decision of Lead Agency Status is still open. Mrs. Sanford said that she does not feel that the Town Board has the expertise to take on Lead Agency Status but the Planning Board is better equipped to deal with this type of thing. She asked Mr. Danaher if the Board can take the Lead Agency Status and transfer it to the Planning Board and he said yes. DEC has the final say about Lead Agency Status.

Mrs. Sanford asked about funds for the Lead Agency, if this status is granted to the Town. Mr. Danaher said that there will be some expenses to the Town. Mr. Danaher said this Lead Agency Status could lead to years, not months of work and research.

Mr. Lobdell asked if we apply for Lead Agency Status and DEC turns us down, can we appeal and will it be at our own cost? Mr. Danaher said that the Town would have to pay the costs of the appeal process.

Mr. Hart asked what we would gain and Mr. Danaher replied that the Board would have the control the process of having the data come in, the investigations done and scheduling the Public Hearings. Ultimately the Board would not have the final decision on a DEC permit. Mr. Danaher said that having the Lead Agent Status does bring benefits such as control of the timing of the process as you go through. There will be an unknown cost to the Town.

Mr. Carpentier asked if a decision must be made tonight and Mrs. Sanford said yes, that DEC needs a response by January 5, 2004.

Mr. Hart asked how we can get a handle on the costs and Mr. Danaher replied by talking to DEC about some of the things they did before.

Mr. Carpentier suggested that we apply for Lead Agency and if we find that it is too expensive, we can default and the State will step in again.

Mr. Danaher said that it is most likely that DEC will deny the Town the Lead Agency Status.

No 267 Motion made by Mr. Carpentier; seconded by Mr. Hart to submit the request to DEC for Lead Agency Status on behalf of the Planning Board.

Poll vote:	Mr. Hart	Yes
	Mr. Carpentier	Yes
	Mr. Lobdell	No
	Mrs. Sanford	Yes.

Highway Superintendent Scott Gallerie has obtained 2 bids for providing uniforms for the Highway employees as follows: Unifiers \$63.70 weekly
Tri-State \$77.30 weekly

He recommended that the Town sign a three-year contract with Unifirst at the above rate.

No 268 Motion made by Mrs. Sanford; seconded by Mr. Hart to sign the 3-year contract with Unifirst, as recommended by the Highway Superintendent.

Poll vote:	Mr. Hart	Yes
	Mr. Carpentier	Yes
	Mr. Lobdell	Yes
	Mrs. Sanford	Yes.

No 269 Motion made by Mrs. Sanford; seconded by Mr. Carpentier to amend the General/Highway abstract for December 11, 2003 to reflect a duplicate voucher in the amount of \$3000 and reducing the total of the abstract to \$ 23,307.97.

Poll vote;	Mr. Hart	Yes
	Mr. Carpentier	Yes
	Mr. Lobdell	Yes
	Mrs. Sanford	Yes.

No 270 Motion made by Mrs. Sanford; seconded by Mr. Hart to increase appropriations in the DA Fund by \$13,000 from unexpended balance which has been produced from Federal Emergency Disaster Funds.

Poll vote:	Mr. Hart	Yes
	Mr. Carpentier	Yes
	Mr. Lobdell	Yes
	Mrs. Sanford	Yes.

No 271 Motion made by Mrs. Sanford, seconded by Mr. Lobdell to reallocate the following funds to the appropriate DA Funds as follows:

\$11,300.00	into DA 5142.1
1,700.00	into DA 5142.4

Poll vote:	Mr. Hart	Yes
	Mr. Carpentier	Yes
	Mr. Lobdell	Yes
	Mrs. Sanford	Yes.

No 272 Motion made by Mrs. Sanford; seconded by Mr. Hart to approve the following transfers:

Amount	From	To
\$ 600.00	A 1320.4	A 1220.1.1
\$ 1,000.00	A 1220.2	A 1220.4
\$ 700.00	A 1990	A 1410.1.1
\$ 600.00	A 1410.2	A 1410.4
\$ 150.00	A 1990	A 1620.1
\$ 1,000.00	A 1990	A 1620.4
\$ 600.00	A 1990	A 5010.4
\$ 1,500.00	A 1990	A 5132.4
\$ 4,000.00	A 8160.1	A 8160.4
\$ 300.00	B 3620.2	B 3620.4
\$ 6,000.00	DB 5112.1	DB 5110.1
\$ 200.00	A 1990	A 5010.1.1

All in favor.

No 273 Motion made by Mrs. Sanford seconded by Mr. Hart to pay the General/Highway Abstract in the amount of \$ 15,872.57.

Poll vote:	Mr. Hart	Yes
	Mr. Carpentier	Yes
	Mr. Lobdell	Yes
	Mrs. Sanford	Yes.

No 274 Motion made by Mrs. Sanford; seconded by Mr. Lobdell to approve the Trust & Agency Abstract in the amount of \$ 6590.12.

Poll vote:	Mr. Hart	Yes
	Mr. Carpentier	Yes
	Mr. Lobdell	Yes
	Mrs. Sanford	Yes.

No 275 Motion made by Mrs. Sanford; seconded by Mr. Hart to approve the Highway Road Improvement Abstract in the amount of \$1216.62.

Poll vote:	Mr. Hart	Yes
	Mr. Carpentier	Yes
	Mr. Lobdell	Yes
	Mrs. Sanford	Yes.

Motion made by Mrs. Sanford; seconded by Mr. Lobdell to adjourn the Meeting at 8:00 P.M. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita M. Labrum
Nassau Town Clerk

