SPECIAL MEETING
TOWN BOARD, TOWN OF NORTH EAST
MARCH 1, 2012

Members Present:

Supervisor John Merwin
Councilman Ralph Fedele
Councilman George Kaye
Councilman Steven Merwin
Councilman Tim Shaffer

Village Board Members:

Mayor John Scutieri
Trustee Marty Markonic
Trustee Debbie Middlebrook
Trustee Jay Reynolds
Trustee Yosh Schulman

Call to Order:

Town Supervisor Merwin and Village Mayor Scutieri called the joint meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Supervisor Merwin informed the Boards that the main reason for the meeting was to discuss the Millerton Elementary School.

Mr. Jay Reynolds the Chairman of the MES Evaluation Committee advised that a determination must be made concerning the economical viability of operating this building. He stated that it was at the point where "real Money" needs to be spent.

NYSERDA proposed that the Town and Village order a Flex Tech study from L&S, who is an approved sub contractor for them, at a cost of $9,000.00. NYSERDA will provide half the money and the Village and Town will provide the other. This study is more involved. Ms.Middlebrook questioned the cost of replacing the heating system.

There was a discussion among the Village and Town Boards concerning the amount of space that is being used now and how much space will be gained if the MES is rehabilitated.

Initially the Village Board indicated by three to two that they were against paying for the Flex Tech Study.

Mayor Scutieri said this Study could be used for grant writing, and Councilman Merwin stated that there was no room for expansion at either Town Hall or Village Hall.

A proposition was made that the cost of the Study be split 60/40 and to ask the Webutuck School system to provide some funding.

Councilmen Shaffer, Merwin, Fedele and Kaye all agreed on proceeding with the Flex Tech Study.

The Village Board members after hearing that there would be a 60/40 split and that the Boards would ask Webutuck School Board to pay some of the cost of the Study, indicated that they would be in agreement to do the Study. Trustee Schulman was not ready to go ahead with the study.

Mayor Scutieri said that he needed a volunteer to write a letter to the School Board.

On a motion by Trustee Reynolds, seconded by Trustee Markonic the following was

ADOPTED – AYES – 4 (Scutieri,Middlebrook, Marconic, Reynolds)
NAYS –1 (Schulman)

RESOLVED, to request the Webutuck School Board to fund some of the cost of the Flex Tech Study.

On a motion by Trustee Reynolds seconded by Trustee Marconic the following was

ADOPTED – AYES - 4 (Scutieri, Middlebrook, Marconic, Reynolds)
NAYS - 1 (Schulman)

RESOLVED, to proceed with the Flex Tech Study.

On a motion by Councilman Merwin, seconded by Councilman Fedele the following was

ADOPTED – AYES – 5 (Merwin, Fedele, Kaye, Merwin, Shaffer)
NAYS – 0

RESOLVED, to request the Webutuck School Board to fund some of the cost of the Flex Tech Study.

On a motion by Councilman Merwin, seconded by Councilman Fedele the following was

ADOPTED – AYES – 5 (Merwin, Fedele, Kaye, Merwin, Shaffer)
NAYS – 0

RESOLVED, to proceed with the Flex Tech Study.

Mayor Scutieri and Supervisor Merwin will draft a letter to the School Board.

Supervisor Merwin thanked all for coming.

On a motion by Trustee Reynolds and Councilman Merwin, seconded by Trustee Schulman and Councilman Kaye the following was

ADOPTED – AYES – 10 (Merwin, Fedele, Kaye, Merwin, Shaffer, Scutieri, Middlebrook, Marconic, Reynolds, Schulman)
NAYS - 0

RESOLVED, to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ellen Owens
Deputy Town Clerk