

November 20, 2014

Meeting of the Town Board on the above date at 6:00pm.

Councilman Keeler was absent; all other Board members were present. Also attending were Town Engineer Ray Jurkowski, Highway Superintendent Heather Wilson, Building Inspector Drew Weaver, Recreation Director Catherine Prentice, Chairman of the Assessors Jim Mara, Attorney to the Town Warren Replansky and 15- 20 members of the community.

Supervisor Coons called the meeting to order and the Pledge was done.

Motion by Cooper second by Jackson to accept the minutes of Oct.16, Nov.5 and Nov.11, 2014 and the Town Clerks Monthly Report for October, 2014. 4-0 passed.

Supervisors Statement – Coons stated that the Association of Towns School will be held Feb.15-18,2014; there will be new cable channels, the Revitalization Committee met last Monday night along with the County Planners and discussed the center of Town, sidewalks, and the PPWIA structures. Coons also said that a letter was received from the State regarding “puppy mills’. They want the Towns to approve Ordinances for dog breeders.

Town Engineers Report – Ray stated that the PPWIA would like to upgrade the prices for the PPWIA customers. Ray gave all Board members a copy of their proposal. He also asked for a Public Hearing to address this. The Board will have a list of Contractors for bids for the December meeting. Councilman Brenner said Ray should attend a Fire Dept. meeting to discuss pipe sizes and hydrants with them- they are held on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm.

Warren asked for an Executive session with the Board and Ray to discuss PPWIA rate and possible litigation. Motion by Cooper second by Coons to go to Executive session. 4-0 passed.

Motion by Cooper second by Jackson to return to regular order of business. 4-0 passed.

Approval of Bills – Motion by Brenner second by Cooper to approve PPWIA bills #2409 to 2417, Highway bills #12789 to 12805 and General bills #12810-12831. Town Clerk asked to have two bills paid to the Referees for the Mens League Basketball as well. Motion passed including the bills for the Referees 4-0 passed.

Public Comments – Al Haight of 44 Pine Street addressed the Board stating that as a voter he feels something needs to be done about the purchase of the Library. It was voted on by the people to purchase.

Sherry Wyckoff – She is the Regional Practice Manager with Hudson River Health Care Practice. She wanted to let everyone know the Practice is staying open, they are trying to find a full time provider and asks for the Towns help.

Workers Compensation Renewal - Paul Zerbato - Paul said he would like to know what Insurance requests will be needed from contractors; he will contact and meet with Ray Jurkowski to discuss this.

Paul gave the Board the options for Workers Comp renewal. They are Perma, Dutchess County and Top Alliance. Board will review them.

Approval of 2015 Budget - Motion by Jackson second by Brenner to change the 2015 Proposed Budget to the Final 2015 Budget and adopt the same. 4-0 passed.

Contract for Services to Codify the Local Laws – Motion by Cooper second by Jackson to approve the contract with Martin Schneider to Codify the Local Laws. 4-0 passed.

Elected and Appointed Officials Standard Work day Resolution – Town Clerk asked for this Resolution to be approved. The Board will finish this at the end of the meeting.

Building Inspector Report – All have the report. Drew said he has been busy; people are selling and building now. The proposed Local Law for the Snow Ordinance was discussed regarding violations. Warren explained the different options. It was decided that the Building Inspector will issue the violations. Motion by Cooper second by Jackson to hold a Public Hearing on Dec.18, 2014 at 6:30pm on the proposed Local Law. 4-0 passed.

Assessors Report – Chairman Mara said he has nothing.

Board of Assessment Review Appointment – Madison Finley needs to be reappointed. His term will be Oct.1, 2014 to September 30, 2015. Motion by Coons second by Cooper to so appoint M. Finley. 4-0 passed.

Police Department Report – All have a copy of the report.

PPWIA Report - No one here.

Recreation Report – Catherine stated that wrestling has started and there are about eighteen people. On December 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am Pee Wee Basketball will start. Gallatin will cover their area again for the Beach fees. Catherine also asked that the money for the batting cages be earmarked from this years budget. It is roughly \$4500.00. The Board will take it out of the 2015 Budget – Unappropriated Fund.

The seniors will be at the American Legion on Town Decorating Day from two to five o'clock. They will have arts and crafts.

Catherine asked if Chris Hedges can purchase the cleaning supplies for the seniors at Deuels. The Board said Catherine can.

Catherine said the bathroom at Taconic Hills is made from block and cost around seventy thousand dollars. Coons and Cooper said that one is designed with the grant.

Highway Superintendent Report – Heather said the guide rail at the Shekomeko Creek Bank will be done later in November or early December. Guide Rails on Stissing Mt. Road were also discussed. Heather had quotes for a 550 truck. She said the better deal is from Onondaga and the plow we have can be used. Discussion followed and Heather will get a quote from Rhinebeck Ford. Don Holcom is the person to contact.

Attorney to the Town Report – Warren said he has nothing to report. The Board should look at the proposed Local Law and come back to it at the December meeting.

Other – Clerk asked about the CAC appointment. The Board will do at the regular appointment time.

Clerk also asked about the letter regarding the signage at Patchins Mill- Hoffman Road. Cooper said William Triffelow does the County signs and feels it should be a warning sign not a stop sign. He said the warning sign should be in the Town of Ancram district. Don Bartles said he feels the County will provide the signs. Cooper will contact Dutchess County and Heather will contact Ancram Highway Department.

Clerk also asked if Brian Walsh is approved to do the construction for the railing and platform extension in the Judges quarters. The Board gave the OK on this.

Motion by Coons second by Jackson to go to Executive Session regarding the retirement hours discussion. 4-0 passed.

Motion by Jackson second by Cooper to return to regular order of business. 4-0 passed

Motion by Coons second by Jackson to approve the hours as submitted to the Town Clerk. 4-0 passed.

Motion by Cooper second by Jackson to adjourn. 4-0 passed.

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Town Clerk

Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_

Councilman Brenner \_\_\_\_\_

Councilman Keeler –Absent \_\_\_\_\_

Councilman Jackson \_\_\_\_\_

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Councilman Cooper \_\_\_\_\_