February 16, 2017

Meeting of the Town Board on the above date at 6:00 pm. All Board members were present. Also attending were Building Inspector Drew Weaver; Highway Superintendent Heather Wilson; Recreation Director Catherine Prentice; Assessors Chairman Jim Mara; Attorney to the Town Warren Replansky at 6:33 pm; the Reporter from the Millerton News and approximately fifteen members of the community.

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

Motion by Jones second by Bartles to accept the Town Clerks minutes of Jan.19, 2017 and the monthly report for January. 5-0 passed.

Supervisors Statement — He read the Resolution regarding the “All Hazard Mitigation Plan” to all and stated it will need to be updated every five years and we do not have the attached copy from the County. Councilman Bartles said he would like to table this. Motion by Bartles second by Coons to table at this time. 5-0 passed.

Motion by Jones second by Cooper to approve PPWIA bills #2685-2687; General bills #14646-14660 & #14662-14677 and Highway bills #14678-14688 & 14661. 5-0 passed. Councilman Bartles asked if we need approval for a bill over a certain amount and Coons responded yes.

Public Comments — Frank Volz said he is glad to see the students here tonight. He asked if the Town received a reply from the letter that was sent to Durst. Coons replied we did two days ago and upon Atty. to the Town approval you will be able to FOIL for it.

Jim Mara- Asked if there is any information from Ray Jurkowski Engineer to the Town regarding the Library expansion. Coons said if Ray does not attend tonight he will call him tomorrow.

John Hoffman – speaking as the Chairman for the CAC said he has met with Rachael Minkoff regarding water sampling. The cost would be $185. 00 for the Town and $185.00 for the Lake Association. The training would start May 5th. CAC would do the sampling of the water. Motion by Coons second by Jones for the CAC to go ahead with this water sampling and for the Town to pay their share of $185.00. 5-0 passed. John added he will come back every year as this is for five years.

John also said the Town has a tree law and that there are two grants available, he would work with the grant writer or Coons to apply. He said there are trees on Bethel Cross Road that need attention. Councilman Cooper said you need to be very careful where you can plant – you need a fifty foot right of way.

Building Inspector Report — All have. Drew stated he sent eleven notice regarding the sidewalks – he spoke to Heather and she can try to get them done if the Highway Dept. has time. Drew said we need a fee schedule. Councilman Brenner said to have our maintenance man do it and Councilman Cooper said have him throw some salt on it. Coons said to call Autumn Ray. Motion by Bartles second by Jones to have our maintenance man Robert Lee Couse address this. 4-1 Coons nay.

Police Department Report — All have the report. Atty. Replansky read the proposed Resolution regarding mandatory shift requirements. Bob Former Police Officer in Charge Bob Couse has a Police Manual and he will bring it to the Town Clerk tomorrow. Warren said Supervisor Secretary has one she looked up something for him.
Councilman Cooper asked if the Court detail should be counted as a patrol and Councilman Brenner said no. Councilman Jones, Brenner and Cooper said no other special details should count as a patrol. Councilman Brenner said we need to consider when the work week starts, Board agree the work week will be Monday to Sunday.

Motion by Brenner second by Cooper to approve as amended said Resolution. 5-0 passed.

PPWIA Report – All have. Coons told Keeler that the bill from Mike George needs more specifications – hours worked and hourly wages and hours for machine times.

Recreation Report – Catherine said they had the 5th & 6th grade basketball tournament. The baseball & softball sign-ups will be this weekend at the High School and they are looking for Sponsors for these teams.

Highway Superintendent – Heather stated she received the resignation from Gary Pezze. His last day will be March 22, 2017.

She has received letters regarding the speed limit issue and has spoken with Steven Gill of the Dutchess County Engineering division. She has all the necessary paper work to proceed with reducing the speed limit. Supervisor Coons will call John Hughes.

Heather said the men have been busy with the storms and that all mandatory requirements have been done.

Surplus equipment – she gave the information from the Association of Towns where the money is to go regarding the sale of said surplus equipment. This information came from Katie Hodgdon Counsel of the Association of Towns found in Section 142 of Highway Law sub-section 5.

She gave the Board copies of the equipment she wants to put out as surplus. (On file) She wants to put it out in “Auctions International”.

Attorney to the Town Report - Warren said he has met with the Planning Board and the Building Inspector regarding tweaks to the Zoning Law. He reviewed these tweaks with all.

He said the letter was sent out and reply has been received from Durst stating they have not abandoned the project. They indicated they want to move the project along and would like a meeting.

Warren read the proposed Resolution at this time commencing Local Law #1 of 2017 relating to the Zoning Law. Motion by Jones second by Bartles to approve said Resolution. 5-0 passed.

Motion by Coons second by Brenner to hold the Public Hearing on said Local Law April 20, 2017 at 6:05 pm. 5-0 passed.

Warren asked for authorization for the Supervisor to sign the Escrow Agreement with Stewarts for their project to add a small area and LED lights to their building. Motion by Cooper second by Bartles to approve said request. 5-0 passed.

Coons said he wants the light by the road fixed that was hit. Jones and Waters will see to it.
Coons asked Replansky if the response letter from Durst is available to be FOILED and Replansly said to keep it as interagency communication for now.

Motion by Bartles second by Cooper to adjourn.

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Town Clerk

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Supervisor

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Councilman Jones

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Councilman Brenner

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Councilman Cooper