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Meeting of the Town Board on the above date at 7:00pm. All Board members attended. Also attending were Recreation Director Catherine Prentice, Pine Plains Water Improvement Area Clerk (PPWIA) and Engineer to the Town Ray Jurkowski, Officer Steve Camburn, the Reporter from the Millerton News, Attorney to the Town Warren Replansky and 30-35 members of the community.

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

Motion by Zick second by Jones to accept the Town Clerks Monthly Report for March and the March 15th minutes. 5-0 passed.

Supervisors Statement – Supervisor Cloud stated that the CAC recommends April 27th, 2018 as Arbor Day in Pine Plains. Motion by Chase second by Zick to so approve. 5-0 passed.

Supervisor asked for a motion to approve the Supervisor signing the agreement with Sickler, Torchia, Allen and Churchill to submit the annual financial to New York State. Motion by Jones second by Zick to so approve. 5-0 passed.

Supervisor also asked for a motion to resubmit the Retirement Resolution with the corrected calculation. Motion by Zick second by Chase to so approve. 5-0 passed.

Supervisor gave an update on the Durst project stating we have four more meeting dates. She has spoken with Randall Arendt and he wants to be kept apprised of what is going on. There is a meeting with Alex Felson from Durst on April 23, 2018.

Supervisor said on the Town website and the Town Clerks Notice Board there is information on funds available to Senior citizens for home repairs.

Supervisor stated that per the Town Accountant Torchia there is no Investment Policy for the Town and she wants one. She asked the Board their feelings and Councilman Jones said to get guidance from Torchia and the State Comptroller. Atty. to the Town Replansky said it is required to have one. He gave Rhinebeck's and Hyde Parks and Cloud said she will investigate.

Town Welcome Signs – Cloud stated she has spoken to Anthony Silvia and the signs are deteriorating and cannot be fixed. Anthony is willing to donate a carved one and the Town will pay for the other two. Councilman Jones and Chase said we should go ahead with this. And Councilman Bartles said he wants to see them.

Zombie Properties – Replansky said there are four (4) main components. He read and explained them. He left with the Board the Law from NYCOM with their explanation. He said if he is given the tax parcel number he will see if it is in foreclosure.

Bills – Motion by Jones second by Zick to pay General bills #15614-15635 and #15653, Highway bills #15636-15652 and PPWIA bills #2782-2783 and #2785-2786. 5-0 passed.

Public Comments – Bob Couse- He would like to see a Town Clean Up Day, the Town to get a couple of dumpsters at the Highway Department for residents to get rid of unwanted items on two (2) Saturdays and would like it put in the paper as everyone is not a computer geek.

PPCSD Superintendent Handler gave update on the 2018-2019 proposed School budget. He passed out a brochure and a Budget overview. Scott Chase asked what the Appropriated Fund Balance will be and Handler replied it is left at 4% of the budget.

Short Term Disability FMLA – Supervisor read the memo on Short term disability. Discussion followed, the Town would pay for this. Motion by Bartles second by Chase to include hourly employees. 4-1 abstain by Jones. Motion passed 4-1.

Liability Insurance Renewal - Supervisor stated it is going up 2.7% from last year. Motion by Bartles second by Jones to renew with Emery and Web. 5-0 passed.

Wilson Endurance Sports – Stissing Sprint Triathlon – Mark & Tonya are the owners now of this event now. Mark gave the presentation stating the event will be held June 30, 2018. He said the bike course is a very difficult course. There will not be many changes the first year and with the Town Boards blessing they can go ahead with the event. Councilman Jones asked if locals can volunteer and he replied yes and that he has a list also and Jones asked if there is an event for youngsters and he replied yes. He added they are covered by insurance. Jones stated that she is thrilled they are here and Councilman Zick said he should contact Matt Tamburrino. Supervisor said they have our blessing.

Air B&B Short Term Rental Tax – Atty. Replansky said he has a sample B&B Municipal Guide to Air B&Bs' from the NY City Assoc. of Tows Meeting – “A Municipal Official Guide to Short Term Rental Regulations.”

Mowing Equipment Purchase – The Board reviews the quotes to purchase a mower. Discussion followed. Motion by Bartles second by Jones to go with the recommendation of the maintenance man or volume discount. 5-0 passed.

Special Prosecutor Kerry Yamashita hiring – Supervisor read the proposed Resolution to hire Yamashita. Atty. Replansky added that the State Police cannot plea bargain and the Special Prosecutor can. Motion by Bartles second by Chase to approve hiring Kerry Yamashita. 5-0 passed.

Police Dept. Report - All have the report and Officer Camburn read the same. Councilman Zick asked if the department has been tased yet and he replied he has, the others have not yet.

PPWIA Report – Supervisor said we need to vote on Ray Jurkowski being named “Clerk of the Works”. Motion by Bartles second by Chase to so approve. 5-0 passed. Ray read the PPWIA report and said Rural Water will be out within the next two (2) weeks regarding the leak at the Lions Club. He also said his license has been renewed and given to the Supervisors Secretary.

Engineers Report – Ray said he will have the revised Highway Department plan for the Highway Garage repairs for the Board within the next week and will give to Highway Superintendent Wilson also.

Recreation Department Report – Catherine Ann let Engineer to the Town Jurkowski know that the Town bought ten (10) dry wells from Superior Sanitation and she can give him the date. Jurkowski said that is wonderful.

Catherine asked for approval on the Beach Director position. A contract regarding their duties would be done. Motion by Bartles second by Zick contingent on the back ground check to hire Kyle Gillis. 5-0 passed.

HIGHWAY Superintendent Report – Councilman Bartles read the report in Wilson’s absence. Noting that the “Agreement to Spend Highway Funds” must be signed by the Board and filed. Heather noted it is a pretty aggressive schedule. Heather also asked to be able to dump the metal furnace to the metal scrap pile. The Board said to go ahead and dump it. Supervisor Cloud stated that Mike Amelio had been hired to do the work on the boiler at the Highway Garage as he can do commercial boilers. Councilman Bartles stated that regarding the brush quotes a lot more discussion is needed before Heather can go ahead with this. Councilman Zick asked if the Highway crew can chip it and give it to residents and to FOSIL for trails. Supervisor asked if we can piggyback in terms of buying equipment. Atty. Replansky replied that as long as the terms of bidding have been complied with we can and have done that. Supervisor will let Wilson know.

Attorney to the Town Report – Warren asked that an email be sent to him regarding requested speed limit changes giving the roads and current and requested speeds.

Replansky stated regarding the Trails Report he received the responses back and he is fully satisfied and ready to adopt it as amended to the Comprehensive Plan. He will do a Type 1 act under Seqra. Replansky read adding that Planner Nan Stolzenburg did a Negative Declaration which will need a date change. He will put this in final form after the Board takes a vote. Motion by Chase second by Jones to approve the Part II Analysis and Declaration. 5-0 passed. Replansky said this needs to be filed with the Town Clerk, Dutchess County Department of Planning and the Negative Declaration need to be published in the Environmental Notice Bulletin. Motion by Chase second by Zick to adopt the Trails report as amended to the Comprehensive Plan subject to minor changes by Attorney Replansky. 5-0 passed. Replansky will get this to the Town Clerk for processing.

Motion by Jones second by Bartles to go to executive session regarding the old Library, Town Hall and other personnel matters. 5-0 passed.

Motion by Jones second by Bartles to return to regular order of business, no action taken and adjourn. 5-0 passed.

Town Clerk

Supervisor _____

Councilman Jones _____

Councilman Bartles _____

Councilman Chase _____

Councilman Zick _____