

December 19, 2019

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Meeting of the Town Board on the above date at 7:00pm. All Board members were in attendance. Also attending were Highway Superintendent Heather Emerich, Building Inspector Drew Weaver, Officer in Charge John Hughes, PPWIA Superintendent/ Engineer to the Town Ray Jurkowski, Recreation Director Michael Cooper, fifteen students from Stissing Mt. High School and eight members of the community.

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

Motion by Jones second by Bartles to accept the minutes of Nov. 4th with changing the Grievance Board to the Board of Assessment Review, the minutes of Nov. 21st as submitted and the Monthly report for November. 5-0 passed.

Approval of Bills – Motion by Jones second by Zick to approve General Bills #17248-17251 and #17253-17269 and Highway Bills #17270-17283. 5-0 passed.

Supervisor Statement – Cloud gave to all in attendance. She stated that a grant in the amount of \$20,500 was given to the Town of Pine Plains for the Feasibility Study regarding the central sewer project. She also wants the 2020 re-organizational Town Board meeting to be January 2nd, 2020. Motion by Jones second by Zick to so approve. 5-0 passed.

Public Comment- Supervisors Secretary thanks the instrumental group for the Senior citizens Christmas luncheon.

Attorney to the Town Report – Warren asked if the Board is ready to move forward with the Negative Declaration and Comprehensive Plan Update. The Board all responded yes and Warren proceeded with the Environmental Assessment Form Part 2 and the Resolution issuing a Negative Declaration for the adoption of the Comprehensive Plan Update and Adopting the Comprehensive Plan Update. Motion by Zick second by Chase to approve said Resolution (On file) and adopt the Comprehensive Plan Update. Roll Call vote was taken 5-0 passed.

Warren stated he had a proposed Local Law regarding a six-month moratorium for solar applications and a proposed Resolution commencing the adoption of said law and setting a Public Hearing date. Motion by Chase second by Bartles to set the Public Hearing date for January 16th at 7:05 pm. 5-0 passed.

Warren also stated he has a Property Access Agreement for Board approval between the Town and the Catholic Church. He read to all. Motion by Bartles second by Chase to so approve 5-0 passed. Supervisor will sign and have the Catholic Church sign also.

Department Reports - Highway Superintendent Heather Emerich asked for the Board to approve her request to purchase a truck body for the tandem dump truck and a 2020 F-250 truck. Motion by Bartles second by Jones to approve the purchase of the F-250. Truck. 5-0 passed. Motion by Bartles second by Zick to approve the purchase of the truck body for the dump truck. 5-0 passed. Heather noted that we received \$115,547.49 from "Chips".

Building Inspector, PPWIA Superintendent and Police OIC both read their reports and are on file. Supervisor said all have the report from the Dog Control Officer. (On file)

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Engineer Jurkowski stated he will have the testing company come in after the holiday regarding demolition at the Pulver house.

Recreation Director Report – Stated Pee Wee Basketball will start January 4th and recreation will also have a program for special needs in basketball. Michael also said that the recreation committee and him would like lights at the ball field. Councilman Bartles will talk to Central Hudson and ask their advice.

BAR Appointment - Supervisor stated she has two names so far and said to contact her if anyone is interested in this position.

Budget Amendments – Motion by Zick second by Jones to approve the budget amendments as submitted by Supervisor Cloud. (On file). 5-0 passed. Councilman Bartles stated he does not like the term "fund balance".

Fund Balance Policy – Supervisor gave all a proposed policy for this and read to all in attendance. She said it can be made into a Resolution and passed in January. Councilman Bartles said he will investigate this with our Accountant Torchia.

Town Prosecutor Contract Renewal – Motion by Chase second by Zick to approve signing said contract. 5-0 passed.

Motion by Supervisor Cloud second by Bartles to go to executive session regarding a tax certiorari; PPF update and personnel discussion. 5-0 passed.

Motion by Zick second by Jones to return to regular order of business. 5-0 passed.

Motion by Zick second by Chase to accept the settlement agreement with the Pine Plains Fire District. 4-1 Bartles nay. Motion passed.

Motion by Zick second by Jones to adjourn. 5-0 passed.

Town Clerk

Supervisor _____

Councilman Jones _____

Councilman Bartles _____

Councilman Zick _____

Councilman Chase _____