

May 21st 2020

Meeting of the Town Board on the above date at 7:00pm. All Board members were in attendance on Zoom.

Also attending were Town Clerk Judy Harpp, Deputy Town Clerk Madelin Dafoe, Secretary to the Supervisor Alice Nuccio and John Penny from Census 2020.

Supervisor Cloud opened the meeting and read an opening statement.

Acceptance of Town Clerks minutes of April 16th and the monthly report for April 2020. Motion by Jones second by Chase to accept all as submitted. 5-0 passed.

Approval of Bills – Motion by Zick second by Jones to pay General Bills #17602-17627, Highway Bills #17629-17645 and Water Bills #2948-2952 5-0 passed.

Census Update / John Penney - John Penny gave the Census 2020 update. He stated you can fill out the census either through the mail survey or go online to my2020census.gov. Or by calling (844)-330-2020 (English) or (844) 468-2020 (Spanish). Census is extending the timeline for submitting information until October 2020. Councilman Zick ask about the field workers and if there was anyway local college students' home for summer could apply for job. Mr. Penny said anyone can apply to be a field worker at 2020census.gov/jobs. Councilman Bartles stated that the school has been distributing information through the school meals drop off and the Meals on Wheels drop offs. He said he appreciates the opportunity to speak to us again.

Supervisor's Statement – Cloud read her statement. (On file)

Discussion of Reopening Dutchess County - Supervisor stated we have not met the seven (7) metrics to allow us reopening. She stated a lot can be found online at Dutchess.gov regarding this.

Budget Update – Supervisor gave the budget update to all. (On file)

Retirement Resolution – Supervisor stated she would like a motion to approve the Retirement Resolution hours for elected and appointed Officials. Motion by Jones second by Chase to so approve. 5-0 passed.

Public Comment – There were no public comments due to the delay in the Zoom meeting to YouTube. Members of the community could either comment on the YouTube page or they could send an email to the town Supervisor and they will be addressed at the next meeting.

Department Reports – Supervisor read the reports from the Building Inspector, Police Department and PPWIA. Cloud also read the Highway Department Report and the board discussed a video doorbell for the Highway garage. Bartles feels there is no need for the video doorbell. That whoever is coming into the highway office should be wearing masks and taking precautions. Jones stated the board will research the video doorbell more and bring it up at the workshop meeting. The Board also discussed the Highway Garage repairs. Councilman Bartles stated that the repairs were a little higher than first discussed. It was budgeted for \$50,000 and will now cost \$90,000 so \$40,000 will have to come from the Sweep Account. He also feels the Town needs to move forward with the repairs. Supervisor stated if the repairs are delayed it could get worse and more expensive. Motion by Bartles second by Zick to approve the repairs. 5-0 passed. Councilmen Zick also would like to thank all the volunteers who are donating their time on Saturdays to have the Birthday parade for the Town during this time.

PPWIA Tank Inspection – Discussion took place regarding the tank inspection repair. Three bids were received and PPWIA Superintendent Jurkowski feels the bid from Pittsburgh Tank and Tower at \$1400.00 is the most reasonable. They have done work here in the past and we were satisfied with the work. Motion by Bartles second by Jones to accept the bid as recommended by Jurkowski. 5-0 passed.

In the police report there was mention of Stewarts that the employees can't force patrons entering the store to wear masks due to their own personal safety.

For the recreation department. Both the Recreation director and Beach director have come up with a plan to reopen when the county allows and wants to be prepared. The beach director Jen Chase wanted to approve the hire of employees for the beach and the camp if and when they can open. Motion by Zick second by Jones to approve as submitted. 5-0 passed.

Supervisor stated that on Memorial Day the VFW and American Legion will be laying a wreath and they will be the only ones that will be participating in this. There will also be a convoy coming through Town from Dutchess County and adjoining Towns and they asked all to put out a flag starting on South Main Street.

Old Business - Supervisor Cloud discussed reapproving Mark Perrotta on the police force. The most current employee approved decided not to take the job. Perrotta was approved but needed more education and has finished educational classes, and is available to work. Councilwomen Jones asked about training. Cloud said he would start with multiple ride a longs starting June 1 2020. Motion by Bartles second by Zick to approve said hire. 5-0 passed.

New Business - Discussion of policy changes to the Employee Handbook- Councilman Zick wanted keep the Facebook page, but keep it strictly for information. Not to have any options for comments and all information had to go threw the board before posting. Jones and Chase thought that it is a great idea. Discussion of the Employee Handbook regarding the Policy of Standards of Conduct concerning chewing tobacco and disposing of it in a sanitary way. There were 2 options Supervisor Cloud brought to the Boards attention. The first one stated that there would be no spitting on floors or in town vehicles. The second option was endangering health and well-being of the other employees. The Board decided on "endangering the health and well-being of the other employees", and the third change is regarding health insurance coverage regarding Medicare Part D paid by the Town. Motion by Jones second by Chase to approve those three changes. 5-0 passed (On file)

Board of Ethics – Motion by Jones second by Chase to appoint Doug Hart, Frank Volz and Holly Bart with the terms to be staggered. To the Board of Ethics. 5-0 passed.

Mail pick up Discussion – Supervisor wants the mail picked up daily and would like her Secretary or herself to be able to do this. Councilman Jones feels it is useful to have a different person other than the Executive of the Town or her Secretary do this; she added that the Town Clerk has done it for at least thirty years. Councilman Chase said due to this pandemic emergency we could pay the Deputy Clerk for ninety days to pick up mail Monday to Thursday. Motion by Chase second by Bartles to so approve this. 5-0 passed.

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

Town Clerk

Supervisor _____

Councilman Jones _____

Councilman Bartles _____

Councilman Zick _____

Councilman Chase _____