

TOWN BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING – March 16, 2016

The Town Board of the Town of Catskill held their committee meeting on March 16, 2016 at 6:30 pm. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. The following members were present:

Doreen Davis, Supervisor
Robert Antonelli, Councilman
Jared Giordiano, Councilman
Pat McCulloch, Councilman
Paul Vosburgh, Councilman

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution # 35-2016 with motion by Councilman Giordiano, second by Councilman McCulloch amending resolution # 33-2016 with day of public hearing for Local Law 2 of 2016 for April 20, 2016 at 6:15 pm. Vote: Adopted 5 Yes

Resolution # 36-2016 with motion by Councilman McCulloch, second by Councilman Giordiano appointing Michael DeBenedictus as part time senior center clerk effective March 17, 2016 with a rate of pay of \$15.24 per hour. Vote: Adopted 4 Yes 1 Abstention (Antonelli)

CORRESPONDENCE:

Invitation from Town of Ghent Broadband Committee to their meeting March 30th at 5:30 pm at Ghent Town Hall. *Supervisor Davis stated we will post this on our website if anyone in the community is interested in attending.*

Pilgrim Pipeline update/summary. *Supervisor Davis stated municipalities met last week and there are two key areas, one is SEQRA comment coming to an end and the other is the key areas in regards to the sewer district which Mary Beth suggested we look into. Also the Town of Newburgh sent a letter stating their willingness to be co-lead agent on their part. It is important to stay close to this issue.*

Senior Corps MLK Community Day sponsored by GC Department Human Services being held March 24th at the Senior Center from 9 am to 2 pm. It is open and free to the general public.

OUT GOING CORRESPONDENCE:

Income survey to residents of the Leeds Jefferson Heights Sewer District. *Supervisor Davis stated this is being sent to all to help with grant efforts to defray the cost of the project. It is an anonymous survey and we are hopeful to get 50% response of the household. Will need a door to door campaign.*

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Highway: Mr. Beers submitted the 284 agreement for the board to review. Two roads were listed until the final amount of CHIP money is known and then amendments can be done to the agreement.

Councilman McCulloch asked if there was any news on the trucks. Mr. Beers stated the International will be in next week and the Dodge's in April.

Mr. Beers asked about opening of the brush dump. All were in agreement to open at his suggestion. Mr. Beers asked about clean up day. He would like to have it in June or July. Supervisor Davis stated tentatively it will be scheduled for June 25th pending confirmation from Councilman Vosburgh.

Ambulance: Mr. June stated we have had no word yet on our narcotic license. Supervisor Davis stated we have calls in.

Central Garage: Councilman Giordiano stated it is being fine tuned.

Finance: Supervisor Davis stated the QuickBooks program will be active soon.

Senior Center: Supervisor Davis stated the seniors are happy having Mike DeBen there.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ed Carey and Javier Barrios of Good Energy LLP gave a presentation to the board in which municipalities are able to form a "CCA" Community Choice Aggregation, acting alone or with other municipalities to aggregate the electric and natural gas loads of their residents and businesses to gain greater buying power in states with deregulated competitive energy markets. Westchester is the first program in the state. CCA changes only the supply component of a resident's energy bill. If the Town is interested in participating there needs to be an endorsement

so they can petition the Public Service Commission. Terms are flexible but are usually twenty-four months. Prices are currently at a nineteen year low.

Supervisor Davis thanked Mr. Carey and Mr. Barrios for the presentation and asked for time to think about it.

Supervisor Davis stated this concluded the meeting and asked for a resolution to enter into executive session to discuss personnel issues and litigation. No further business will be discussed after exiting executive session. Motion made by Councilman McCulloch, seconded by Councilman Giordiano. Executive session began 7:42 pm.

Motion to exit executive session and end the meeting was made by Councilman Antonelli second by Councilman Giordiano. Meeting ended 8:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Izzo
Town Clerk