

TOWN BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING – May 17, 2017

The Town Board of the Town of Catskill held their committee meeting on Wednesday, May 17, 2017 at 6:30 pm at Town Hall. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. The following members were present:

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

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution # 52-2017 with motion by Councilman McCulloch, seconded by Councilman Giordiano acknowledging the 2016 Annual Examination of the Town of Catskill Court Records by Pattison, Kosky, Howe & Bucci. Adopted Vote 5 - Yes

Resolution # 53-2017 with motion by Councilman Giordiano, seconded by Councilman Vosburgh establishing an Energy Benchmarking Policy for municipal buildings in the Town. Adopted Vote: 5 – Yes

Resolution # 54-2017 with motion by Councilman McCulloch, seconded by Councilman Antonelli to enter into an Inter-Municipal Agreement with the Town of Hunter. Adopted Vote: 5 – Yes

Resolution # 55-2017 with motion by Councilman Antonelli, seconded by Councilman Vosburgh to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Town of Hunter for use of an Ambulance for the period June 8, 2017 through June 15, 2017. Adopted Vote: 5 – Yes

BOARD COMMENTS:

Councilman Giordiano mentioned EMS Recognition Week May 21st through 27th and having a proclamation thanking them. Mr. June stated as a gesture if the board could pass a resolution to purchase a grill as the one which was donated to the Ambulance is no longer working. *Resolution # 56-2017 with motion by Councilman McCulloch, seconded by Councilman Vosburgh authorizing the purchase of a grill for the Ambulance Department. Adopted Vote: 5 – Yes*

Supervisor Davis spoke of a request from Cultivate Catskill as a sponsor. At our request they have trimmed the rose bushes at the Ambulance Department and trimmed/weeded the landscaping at the Senior Center. *Resolution # 57-2017 with motion by Councilman Giordiano, seconded by Councilman Vosburgh to sponsor a hanging basket in the amount of \$100.00. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes*

Councilman McCulloch mentioned the town-wide clean up. There is too much going on in the month of June and this event will be pushed till October.

There was discussion regarding a request from Elliott Fishman, Code Enforcement Officer, to purchase a filing cabinet. All were in favor of this purchase.

CONTINUING BUSINESS:

Travis Smigel was present to give an update on the sewer project. Supervisor Davis stated the RFP for the operation and maintenance of the system will be in the paper on Friday and the FAQ's have been mailed today for people in Jefferson Heights. Mr. Smigel stated the people on the existing system will not receive the FAQ as they are not ready to connect. They will receive an alternate mailing.

The main line sewers are installed at Ivy Terrace and they are now heading towards Leeds. There will be a test in 30 days and then after all is well, a mailing will go out to people in Jefferson Heights.

There were two change orders. One dealing with JSquared and the other with Luizzi's subcontractor as we had to directional bore under the thruway which was expensive.

There is a crew in Forest Hills.

They are looking at paving before Memorial Day in Jefferson which will include areas of paving from last fall. Supervisor Davis asked to clarify when since this is a holiday weekend.

The Electrical Contractor is complete with his work. The Pump Station Contractor will have a walk through and then they will be complete.

A meeting will be scheduled with Luizzi and he will let the board know when.

There is ongoing restoration in Jefferson Heights. Several calls have been received and we are chipping away as best we can.

Supervisor Davis mentioned issues that occurred at Ivy Terrace. Mr. Smigel stated the alignment of the sewer was in approximation of the water and it needed to be shut down. They will need to address how to notify people in such short notice in case this happens in the future. Supervisor Davis mentioned the garbage not being able to be picked up. Councilman McCulloch stated people's water was discolored as the Village flushed the fire hydrants.

Supervisor Davis stated we need to meet with Central Hudson as they are blocking roads. Mr. Smigel has their contact information. Councilman Giordiano asked if there was any more update on the survey. There was not a large enough response to have natural gas in certain areas of Jefferson. It will be on the list for discussion.

Supervisor Davis then opened the meeting to public comment. Several people spoke regarding restoration or their issue with lack thereof, communication and having another general public meeting.

Supervisor Davis stated the June 6th monthly board meeting will be devoted to the sewer project and she urges all to attend. A notice will be in the Daily Mail, on our website and on our FB page. She understands this project is not easy for everyone and knows how disruptive it is and the project is ripe for frustration but it is for a finite time.

With no further comment a motion to enter into executive session to discuss pending litigation was made by Councilman Giordiano, seconded by Councilman McCulloch. Executive session began 7:44 pm.

A motion to exit executive session and end the meeting was made by Councilman Giordiano, seconded by Councilman Vosburgh. Meeting ended 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Izzo
Town Clerk

