Catskill Town Board Monthly Meeting
Catskill Town Hall
February 7, 2012 6:30 pm

Attendance: Joseph Leggio, Supervisor; Robert Antonelli, Councilman; Patrick Walsh, Councilman; Kevin Lennon, Councilman; Gary Carlson, Councilman; Elizabeth Izzo, Town Clerk

Supervisor Leggio opened the meeting with a moment of silent prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. The following minutes were reviewed:

1/3/2012	Re-Organizational Meeting Motion Councilman Antonelli Second Councilman Carlson Ayes 5 Nays 0 Absent 0
1/3/2012	Town Board Monthly Minutes Motion Councilman Antonelli Second Councilman Walsh Ayes 5 Nays 0 Absent 0
1/10/2012	Government Operations Meeting Motion Councilman Antonelli Second Councilman Lennon Ayes 5 Nays 0 Absent 0
1/18/2012	Town Board Committee Minutes Motion Councilman Antonelli Second Councilman Carlson Ayes 5 Nays 0 Absent 0
1/25/2012	Government Operations Meeting Motion Councilman Antonelli Second Councilman Walsh Ayes 5 Nays 0 Absent 0

The following resolutions were passed:

RESOLUTION #10-2012 A FUND BUDGET AMENDMENT

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Councilman Antonelli presented the following for consideration and adoption,

WHEREAS, the following year end budget amendment needs to be made to account for Catskill Central School District monies to assist in tax certiorari cases:

Appropriations-Increase	A1355.41	Appraisal Consultants	$26,112.00
Revenue-Increase	A2770.0	Unclassified Revenue	$26,112.00; so

THEREFORE WE, the Catskill Town Board approve the above amendment.

Councilman Walsh seconded this motion.

Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 0 Motion Carried

RESOLUTION #11-2012 HIGHWAY DB FUND YEAR END BUDGET TRANSFERS

Councilman Antonelli presented the following for consideration and adoption,

WHEREAS, the following year end budget transfers for 2011 need to be made to the following accounts:

Highway DB –Appropriations

DB51101.01.63	MEO	$233.00
DB130.1	Mechanic PS	$135.00
DB5130.4	Mechanical contractual	$8532.00
DB5142.1	MEO PS	$3197.00
DB9040.8	Workmen's Comp	$200.00
Total Transfer		$12,297.00; so

THEREFORE WE, the Catskill Town Board approve the following transfers from the below accounts:

DB9030.8	Social Security	$200.00
DB5110.4	General Repairs	$8900.00
DB5142.4	Snow Removal Contr	$3197.00

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Total Transfer $12,297.00

Councilman Lennon seconded this motion.

Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 0 Motion Carried

RESOLUTION #12-2012 B FUND YEAR END 2011 BUDGET TRANSFERS

Councilman Antonelli presented the following for consideration and adoption,

WHEREAS, the following year end budget transfers for 2011 need to be made to the following accounts:

B Fund Appropriations

B8020.11	Code Enf. Clerk	$663.00
B4020.1	Registrar PS	$ .12
A1420.4	Legal Services	$163.00

Total Transfer $826.12; so

THEREFORE WE, the Catskill Town Board approve the following transfers from the below accounts:

B8020.4	Code Enf Contractual	$663.00
B8010.5	Engineer Contractual	$163.00
B3650.4	Demo Unsafe Bldg	$ .12

Total Transfer $826.12

Councilman Carlson seconded this motion.

Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 0 Motion Carried

RESOLUTION #13-2012 GENERAL A FUND YEAR END 2011 BUDGET TRANSFERS

Councilman Antonelli presented the following for consideration and adoption,

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WHEREAS, the following year end budget transfers for 2011 need to be made to the following accounts:

General Fund Appropriations

A1110.1	Justice	$ .50
A1110.11	Justice Clerks	$ 140.00
A1315.1	Comptroller	$3911.00
A1315.1	Comptroller Clerk	$ 119.00
A1355.4	PKR	$ 125.00
A1355.1	Assessor	$1078.00
A1410.1	Town Clerk	$ .10
A1420.4	Attorney	$ .04
A1620.1	Town Hall Maint Pers.	$1023.00
A1620.4	Town Hall	$1520.00
A3510.1	Animal Control PS	$ .18
A4540.1.1	Amb Supervisor	$2288.00
A5010.1	Hwy Super	$ .02
A6772.1	Senior Center Director	$1652.00
A8810.4	Cemetery Contractual	$ 101.00
A9040.8	Workmen's Comp	$ 617.00
A3510.1	Animal Control PS	$ .18

Total Transfer $12.574.66

THEREFORE WE, the Catskill Town Board approve the following transfers from the below accounts:

A1010.4	Town Board	$4030.00
A1110.4	Justice Contr.	$ 138.50
A1315.41	Comptroller Cont.	$ 125.00
A1355.4	Assessor Cont.	$1078.00
A1410.4	Town Clerk Cont.	$ .10
A1420.4	Town Atty Cont.	$ .04
A1990.4	Contingency	$3160.00
A4540.1.12	Amb EMT PS	$2288.00
A5010.4	Hwy Super Cont.	$ .02
A6772.1.1	Senior Center Cleaner	$1652.00
A8810.2	Cemetery Equipment	$ 101.00
A3510.4	Animal Control Cont.	$ .18

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Total Transfer $12,574.66

Councilman Walsh seconded this motion.

Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 0 Motion Carried

RESOLUTION #14-2012 APPOINTMENT FULL TIME CLERK

Councilman Antonelli presented the following for consideration and adoption,

WHEREAS, the Town of Catskill's Comptroller's Office is in need of a full time clerk due to retirement; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller is recommending Kirsten Bulich be appointed to said position having successfully passed the Civil Service exam; and

WHEREAS, Kirsten Bulich has been working provisionally for the Town; so

THEREFORE WE, the Catskill Town Board hereby appoint Kirsten Bulich as Clerk to the Comptroller's Office.

Councilman Carlson, Lennon, Walsh seconded this motion.

Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 0 Motion Carried

Councilman Antonelli proposed the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #15-2012 REMOVE PETTY CASH SENIOR CENTER

Councilman Antonelli presented the following for consideration and adoption,

WHEREAS, a petty cash fund was established for the Senior Center in 2006 when it was first established; and

WHEREAS, there is no longer a need for this fund; so

THEREFORE WE, the Catskill Town Board hereby remove the petty cash fund from the Senior Center.

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Councilman Carslon seconded this motion.

Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 0 Motion Carried

Councilman Lennon asked where that money would go to. Councilman Antonelli stated it goes back to the Town Clerk. Councilman Lennon asked who would maintain the account. Councilman Antonelli stated no one, as there isn't one any longer. Supervisor Leggio stated any money that is collected goes directly to the Comptroller's office. Councilman Antonelli stated the petty cash amount is $100 or $150. He stated she is not having petty cash funds anymore. Councilman Lennon asked if we have a report from her as to what was in the account or what it was used for. Councilman Antonelli stated Sandy has that. Supervisor Leggio mentioned setting up a… and then stated we will go into that later. He asked if there were any other resolutions. Councilman Lennon stated we need a resolution for the emergency contractors during the storm. We need to add two contractors. He thought they would be covered under the State of Emergency resolution that was passed but to make sure we are covered he would like to pass a resolution.

RESOLUTION #16-2012 EMERGENCY STORM DAMAGE KAATERSKILL CREEK

Councilman Lennon presented the following for consideration and adoption;

WHEREAS, the Town of Catskill was significantly impacted by Hurricane Irene, causing flooding and loss of homes, especially in the Hamlet of Palenville along the Kaaterskill Creek; and

WHEREAS, the State Department of State has authorized any and all emergency repairs to remediate the situation; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Catskill received two proposals for mobilization and stream mitigation in the Kaaterskill Creek to prevent further loss; so

THEREFORE WE, the Catskill Town Board authorize CJ Edwards and Maggio Construction, to remediate the streambed in the Kaaterskill Creek in the Hamlet of Palenville in accordance with their estimates.

Councilman Walsh seconded this motion.

Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 0 Motion Carried

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Councilman Lennon next mentioned a resolution for the expenditure to upgrade our routers for the Time Clock Plus System.

RESOLUTION #17-2012 UPGRADE ROUTERS TIME CLOCK SYSTEM

Councilman Lennon presented the following for consideration and adoption,

WHEREAS, the Town of Catskill is in the process of establishing a time and attendance system, and

WHEREAS, the routers need to be upgraded to facilitate the time and attendance system, so

THEREFORE WE, the Catskill Town Board hereby approve upgrading the routers for the establishment of the time and attendance system at the cost of $11,245.00

Councilman Carlson seconded this motion.

Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 0 Motion Carried

Supervisor Leggio asked if there was another motion too because there is a third bill up there. He asked wasn't there another one for the time clocks. Councilman Lennon stated the time clocks themselves were purchased but believes we did that resolution in January and asked Liz if that was true. The Town Clerk stated a resolution was passed to purchase the hardware/software in December.

Supervisor Leggio asked if we need a resolution to authorize payment for those other guys. Councilman Lennon stated a resolution was already passed in August and we just passed for the other two contractors. Supervisor Leggio stated we are all squared. Supervisor Leggio stated the money is going to come out of the, being no funds available in the landfill account, Councilman Lennon stated it is coming from the landfill account. Supervisor Leggio stated there is no money in that account. Councilman Walsh and Lennon stated there was. Councilman Lennon stated after all the contractor's have been paid there is $12,000 left. Supervisor Leggio stated Sandy just told him today that there is no money in that account. There is $1600 in that account today so the $12,000 from the Time Clocks Plus and the $11,000 from the Internet services, both of them are coming out of the contingency fund.

Supervisor Leggio reviewed the County Resolutions:

Resolution No 32-12 Authorizing Obtaining & Furnishing of Election

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	Related Services & Materials
Resolution No 19-12	Authorizing Municipalities to Participate in County Highway Purchases
Resolution No 34-12	Authorizing Chargeback of Assessment Roll Related Services & Materials (Catskill's share $1305.26)
Resolution No 35-12	Authorizing & Obtaining & Furnishing of Assessment Roll Related Services & Materials

Supervisor Leggio reviewed correspondence:

Memo from John Cashin, CEO, to schedule public hearing for violation of Junk.

RESOLUTION #18-2012 TO SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING FOR JUNK: EDDIE WILKINS

Councilman Lennon presented the following for consideration and adoption,

WHEREAS, the Catskill Town Code Enforcement Office has reported that conditions on the property located at 48 Church Street, Leeds, NY 12451, Tax Map #138.06-5-1 constitute a public nuisance, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Catskill Code Enforcement Office has an Order to Remedy (s) outstanding on this property due to junk accumulation with no corrections being made, so

THEREFORE WE, the Catskill Town Board hereby approve and set a public hearing pursuant to Chapter 115 of the Town of Catskill Code concerning this matter on Wednesday, March 6, 2012 at 6:15 pm at Catskill Town Hall, 439-441 Main Street, Catskill, NY 12414.

Councilman Walsh seconded this motion.

Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 0 Motion Carried

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Memo from John Cashin, CEO, amend resolution #9-2012 expense of continuing education for Ed Ferratto.

RESOLUTION #19-2012 AMEND RESOLUTION # 9-2012

Councilman Lennon presented the following for consideration and adoption,

WHEREAS, Ed Ferratto requested attending the Northern Adirondack Continuing Education Conference in Lake Placed on March 5th through 8th with the registration expense being $240.00; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board passed a resolution, #9 of 2012, authorizing half of the registration fee since Ed is employed by other municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the $240 fee is an equal share of all municipalities; so

THEREFORE WE, the Catskill Town Board amend resolution #9 of 2012 and authorize the expenditure of $240 for Ed to attend the Northern Adirondack Continuing Education Conference.

Councilman Carlson seconded this motion.

Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 0 Motion Carried

Letter from GC DOA inviting the board to partake in "March for Meals", a national campaign initiated by Meals on Wheels Association for dignitaries to serve or home deliver meals on Wednesday, March 21st.

Notice of Hearing on Eight Year Review of Agricultural District No. 24 from Greene County Legislature. Hearing scheduled for February 15th at 6:15 pm County Office Building.

Letter from Liz LoGiudice, Cornell Cooperative Extension Educator with update on Catskill Creek Watershed Awareness Project

Via telephone conversation with Town Clerk-Kiskatom Fire Department cannot at this time host the monthly committee meeting on March 21st due to damage suffered to their firehouse from Hurricane Irene.

Letter from GCCA asking for donations in the name of a teacher or mentor who has made a difference in your life or that of the life or your child. Donations can be made on or before

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March 6th and will be included in the GCCA Honor Roll exhibit during the Youth Arts Show, March 10-April 14th.

Supervisor Leggio reviewed the monthly reports:

Catskill Town Code's Report for January
Catskill Town Highway Report for January

Supervisor Leggio moved on to new business. He mentioned a proposal to do repair painting in two bathrooms at the ambulance building. The price is $540.00.

RESOLUTION #20-2012 AUTHORIZE COTHREN PAINTING TO DO WORK AT AMBULANCE BUILDING

Councilman Lennon presented the following for consideration and adoption,

WHEREAS, two bathrooms at the Ambulance Building sustained water damage; and

WHEREAS, Cothren Painting submitted a proposal to replace tape/joint compound, prime, and paint two coats the ceilings and walls for $540.00; so

THEREFORE WE, the Catskill Town Board authorize Cothren Painting to complete the work in the amount of $540.00

Councilman Walsh seconded this motion.

Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 0 Motion Carried

Supervisor Leggio polled the board. Councilman Lennon mentioned a letter from NCRS that will help with funding above FEMA. A letter was sent to them. They will have a task force team come here to look at the damages. FEMA reimburses to pre-condition. NCRS covers 75% and the Town covers 25%. He stated he met with the Ulster County Task Force Team in regards to the bridge and road near Drummond Falls that was washed out and the debris is still there. They are also contacting NCRS group.

He stated there was a meeting with the GO and Historical Representatives regarding Woodstock Avenue and wall in Palenville. We are awaiting their report. He met with Pratorius & Conrad to talk about ownership of the wall. Deeds dating back to 1933 show the Town of Catskill

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responsible for the wall. They will begin writing the project worksheet and once completed will be able to go out for mitigation.

He stated there was damage in the Town Cemetery with trees. He will be working with the Town Clerk to get the deeds for those properties for documentation for FEMA to get reimbursed.

He stated the culvert system on Route 23A & Bogart Rd., the Town of Catskill assumed the deed and easement in 1964 and put the culvert system in. This was heavily damaged in the storm with 10 foot sinkholes. What FEMA doesn't cover hopefully the task force team will cover the rest of the damages.

He stated the project worksheets are being written. He met with the FEMA rep today to look at the culvert on Pennsylvania Avenue. She will start to write those up. There was clarification as she wasn't' sure what is covered and we will see how that proceeds. A lot of the work on one aspect is called non-eligible and then it has to go above them to the representatives in Troy to see how they can get it in there so FEMA will reimburse us. He hopefully will be meeting with the debris specialists Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday of next week to talk about all the debris aspect that is Category A. Whatever is not covered on Category A will then go to Category C and that comes under a different project worksheet. As long as everything is kept straight and logical and we dot our i's and t's, hopefully everything will be covered.

Supervisor Leggio asked if they stated at all when we can expect to see reimbursement for what was spent. Councilman Lennon stated some of the project worksheets that have been approved, some funds have been released. Once we sign off on it, it goes to another task team to review and approve and then a second level above that depending on the price range and then a third specialist to sign off and once that is done, hopefully it will be released for funding. Who knows when. Supervisor Leggio stated we expended all of our funds. If we are not going to get reimbursed for this in the near future, which means the next four to six months, and the work that has to be done to the do the repairs, whether it be a million dollars or a million five or a million eight, we will have to borrow the money. If the engineers and FEMA and these people get there project designs together with the weather, if we anticipate that we have everything ready to go June 1st to start doing repairs and go out to bid, if we move that fast, we will have to start doing something soon to bond the money to fund the projects.

Councilman Lennon stated he reached out to the Comptroller back in December to have her see what low interest loans are there and to look at funding available through the Governor's Office. It is being looked at. He stated we will be in a range of about $700,000 to $1.2 million in damage repair.

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Councilman Antonelli stated to do the bond it will take 2 or 3 months. Councilman Lennon is hoping that all the project worksheets will be done by the end of February. Once that is done and we get a report back from the GO specialist we will know the true value of Woodstock and then can compromise and go to mitigation for any other aspects. Hopefully sometime in March we will receive that information. Councilman Antonelli stated we won't get a commitment from the bank on the interest rate until we commit to the loan. We will need to borrow the $250,000 we already spent to put back in the landfill. We are out of money. Supervisor Leggio stated what he doesn't want to see happen is they say go and we don't have the funds available to do the work and then the work is put on hold. Councilman Lennon stated we can start the paperwork now. Supervisor Leggio stated if we use numbers that are high, we can always reduce the bond. The money will go back to the bond. Councilman Lennon stated with the numbers we have now and we are comfortable with those, we can start the process. Supervisor Leggio stated he believes we should. He does not want to get to the position where we are ready to go and we can't start. He doesn't want to be caught. Councilman Walsh stated the process needs to be started. We need to come up with some firm figures.

Supervisor Leggio asked if there are plans to go back into the streams. Councilman Lennon said we will have to. When he met with the Army Corps of Engineers and DEC in December they stated they will not do anything in the streams until the spring runoff. We have not had a typical winter, nor rainfall, and areas have been eaten out in the streambed and gravel deposited. It is taking ownership too of rebuilding and stabilizing the walls and he is trying to get a clarification from the State and DEC on whose responsibility that falls on. There are many things to be worked out and discussed with them.

Supervisor Leggio asked for an update on the time clocks. Councilman Lennon stated they have been uncrated and the software has been installed. He hasn't spoken with Joe to see how the new updates to the system are and when they will be installed in the locations needed. The routers have been installed and we are good there. The server needed in the Ambulance building due to HIPPA compliance will cost $2300. He told Joe right now we don't have the funding and Joe is giving us a loaner for the time being.

Supervisor Leggio polled the rest of the board. No comment. Supervisor Leggio asked if anyone in the public had any comment. Dick Schloss approached the board asking if the Town of Catskill is in anyway involved with the County and Village in resurrection of the Black Bridge as a historic structure. Councilman Lennon stated he met with Congressman Gibson regarding the historical value and his team was to reach out to the Village. Mr. Schloss said there is money out there. The one in Prattsville was done. The bridge is the last vestige of the mountain railroad. There is nothing more around. He stated for once, this County, this Town, this Village needs to step up and do something to preserve some part of it. Supervisor Leggio stated the bridge is part of the revitalization. There is a walking path that goes along the creek across the

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Black Bridge and around past the school. There is an actual trail. Mr. Schloss stated the school district should be stepping up to because those kids that used the Black Bridge to get out of the traffic pattern now need to go all out of the way and walk in the road. He believes if there is a collaborative effort it would work.

Mr. Schloss also stated his road is slipping again. There is a crack in it about three quarters to an inch wide and it has dropped about eight or ten inches from level now. He stated the "engineer" who looked at it before was in error as he said. Supervisor Leggio stated the last time he spoke with Mr. Schloss he was at a Town Board meeting discussing the same thing and asked what the outcome of the meeting was. Mr. Schloss stated there has been no coal patch, no anything done on that road. He stated he understands Alfie's position. He is in a position where he is doing a job on me. It is not only on me but the people down there that have to live with the road slide. It has to be taken care of. Supervisor Leggio stated he will call him tomorrow and get back to Mr. Schloss.

Supervisor Leggio asked if anyone else had any comment. Keith Ruckh had a question about the wall and stated awhile ago it was mentioned that it was the only place in Palenville that they would build a swimming hole. He stated he knows government doesn't ever work together but asked if Councilman Lennon ever heard that. Councilman Lennon stated he hasn't but can check and ask questions on the State level. Keith stated everyone is throwing everybody out of the stream because of private property and that is the only State access and that is why the monument is there for the Veteran's that was built by the Boy Scouts.

Councilman Lennon stated once we uncover that wall and get in there he believes there is a walkway down. He stated the deed states the Town of Catskill owns that property but the rights to the water is reserved to the family who owned the property prior to that and you cannot change that part by the Tannery Bridge or doing any blasting to improve it as the waterway has to stay as it was according to the deed.

Supervisor Leggio polled the board again. With no comment, Supervisor Leggio asked to enter executive session to discuss a personnel manner at the Ambulance. He stated no action will be taken and no further business will be conducted. Motion to enter executive session made by Councilman Antonelli and seconded by Councilman Walsh. Executive session started 7:16 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Izzo
Town Clerk

Motion to exit executive session and end the meeting made by Councilman Antonelli and seconded by Councilman Walsh. Meeting ended 8:30 pm.

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