

Catskill Town Board Monthly Meeting – March 3, 2020

Catskill Town Hall 6:30 pm

Attendance: Supervisor, Dale Finch
 Council - Jared Gordiano, Patrick McCulloch, Dawn Scannapieco,
 Paul Vosburgh

Supervisor Finch opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and welcomed all in attendance.

MINUTES:

2/4/20 Monthly Meeting
2/6/20 Department Head Meeting
2/29/20 Town Board Committee

Motion by Councilman Giordiano, second Councilman McCulloch; carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Supervisor Finch stated correspondence not on the agenda is CSX bridge repair and Census – boundaries verified.

Emergency contact information for Central Hudson.

Email from Jesse Pasackow, coordinator for Braking AIDS ride 2020, traveling through area Sept 12th from 8:45 am to 11:30 am. Same route as last year with approx. 125 bicyclists.

County Resolutions – Res 44-20 2019-2020 Eight Year and Annual Review Agricultural District No. 124 SEQRA; Res 64-20 Authorizing Chargeback of Assessment Roll Related Services (Catskill's share \$983.16); Res 65-20 Authorizing Chargeback of Assessment Related Services and Materials – Postage (Catskill's share \$76.44).

Greene County IDA notice of public hearing Catskill Boutique Hotel & Suites at Catskill Town Hall, March 25th 6 pm.

Memo from Shawn Groden, GC Administrator regarding notice of unsafe building demo's policies and procedures.

Community Center year end budget 2019 and projected budget 2020.

CONTUINING BUSINESS:

Trees & Fencing- RCF – *Councilman Giordiano gathering quotes for fence. Supervisor Finch for tree removal. The tree removal quote is \$1,000 from Ray's Tree Service. All were good with quote.*

Councilman Giordiano stated the quote for the infield work is \$65,000. We are waiting on other quotes and will do as we can afford to do.

Councilwoman Scannapieco entered meeting 6:35 pm.

Furniture Quote –Ambulance - Councilman McCulloch will look over the fabric options. Motion by Councilwoman Scannapieco second by Councilman Giordiano to approve up to \$3,645 for office furniture at the Ambulance Department. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes

Code Enforcement fee schedule change commercial CO searches. The current fee is \$125 for both residential and commercial. Commercial CO searches are more extensive and take much more time and the Code Enforcement Officer has requested an increase. Resolution #12-20 on motion of Councilman McCulloch second by Councilman Giordiano to increase commercial certificate of occupancy searches to \$200 per search. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes

BOARD COMMENT:

Councilman McCulloch would like a mailing sent to the residents of the sewer district reminding them not to use flushable wipes and to site the part of the sewer use law which forbids there use. There was an issue on James Place.

SUPERVISOR COMMENT:

Supervisor Finch working with GC Highway Dept. regarding repair of fencing on Route 23B.

The Little Red Schoolhouse property was cleaned up by the cemetery crew.

The Highway Superintendent will give a date for town-wide cleanup soon. Councilman Vosburgh mentioned eliminating the acceptance of tires. Supervisor Finch will review the cost factor.

Supervisor Finch stated he had a request from an Eagle Scout for a project in the yet formed dog park. After discussion it was decided to hold off as it is not feasible at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT/NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Izzo asked about the IDA public hearing. He asked the board if the software purchase for the code department was approved. He was under the impression it was approved last year as the December minutes stated it was moving forward. Supervisor Finch stated it was not a vote and the contract wasn't signed. Mr. Izzo stated the current system is antiquated and it is imperative it is updated. Supervisor Finch was in agreement and is seeking advice from our CPA as how to purchase. Mr. Izzo explained how to transfer the money in the budget to purchase the software and stated monies will be coming in from the battery storage project and the solar project on Cauterskill Rd. and also building permits. Supervisor Finch stated he would like to see the arrival of the money first. The quote expires the end of March.

Councilwoman Scannapieco stated if code is bringing in the money it is a wise purchase. Councilman McCulloch stated we had the money last year. Supervisor Finch stated it will be addressed at the committee meeting.

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE:

Mr. Izzo stated the time will be 11 am. There was a question if the American Legion would like to run the parade and ceremony. A letter needs to be sent to the county for use of the courthouse steps. We will also need a certificate of insurance. A speaker will need to found but we should meet with the American Legion first to see if they are interested in taking over the parade.

Supervisor Finch asked for a motion to enter executive session to discuss a union contract. Motion to enter executive session and have the clerk remain was made by Councilman Giordiano second by Councilwoman Scannapieco. No further business will be conducted once executive session ends. Executive session began 7:22 pm.

Motion to exit executive session and end the meeting was made by Councilman Giordiano second by Councilman Vosburgh. Meeting ended 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Izzo
Town Clerk