

Catskill Town Board Monthly Meeting
Catskill Town Hall
April 2, 2013 6:30 pm

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

Supervisor Leggio opened the meeting with a moment of silent prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. He asked for a motion to enter into executive session to discuss an employee issue and a grievance with the union. Motion made by Councilman Antonelli seconded by Councilman Carlson. Executive session began 6:32 pm. Motion to exit executive session and resume the meeting was made by Councilman Antonelli and seconded by Councilman Carlson. Meeting resumed 6:35 pm.

Supervisor Leggio stated no business was discussed during the executive session. The issue with the employee will be turned over to Ronni. He stated adjustments in the ambulance negotiations last year were if we were to have a paramedic service. A line item was created along with establishment of rate of pay for part time individuals for paramedic level service. It was not clarified when the contract was ratified. The employees thought they would get the pay when there is no paramedic service. An adjustment created a paramedic title but the Town does not have a paramedic service at this time. If an employee has paramedic training the rate of pay is \$18 an hour. Motion by Councilman Carlson to pay certified paramedics \$18 an hour as of April 1, 2013 seconded by Councilman Antonelli and Walsh. Vote: 4 Yes 0 No/Absent Motion carried.

Supervisor Leggio reviewed the minutes:

03/05/2013	Public Hearing #1 of 2013 Road Name Change (Ben Hill) Motion Councilman Antonelli Second Councilman Walsh Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 0
03/05/2013	Public Hearing #3-2013 Naming a Private Road: Nappa Ln Motion Councilman Antonelli Second Councilman Carlson Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 0
03/05/2013	Town of Catskill Monthly Meeting Motion Councilman Antonelli Second Councilman Walsh

Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 0

03/15/2013

Government Operations Meeting

Motion Councilman Antonelli

Second Councilman Carlson

Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 0

03/20/2013

Public Hearing #4-2013 Private Road Name-Strulovitch

Motion Councilman Antonelli

Second Councilman Walsh

Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 0

03/20/2013

Town of Catskill Committee Meeting

Motion Councilman Antonelli

Second Councilman Carlson

Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 0

Supervisor Leggio reviewed the following resolutions:

Res 36-2013

Agreement between the Town of Catskill & GCCA

(Sprout's program) \$1,000.00. Motion by Councilman Antonelli
seconded by Councilman Walsh. Vote: 4 Yes 0 No/Absent

Motion Carried

Res 37-2013

Justice Court Exam: Motion by Councilman Antonelli seconded by
Councilman Carlson. Vote: 4 Yes 0 No/Absent Motion Carried.

Res 38-2013

Authorize Supervisor sign Lease/Purchase Power Stretchers for
Ambulance. Motion by Councilman Antonelli seconded by
Councilman Walsh. Discussion: Councilman Carlson stated it
benefits our employees and Town as it enables the ambulance
personnel to do their jobs in a safer manner. Supervisor Leggio
stated part of the reason is for lifting issues over the years for
ambulance personnel and this is in hopes to reduce injuries. Vote:
4 Yes 0 No/Absent Motion carried.

Res 39-2013

Authorize Town Clerk to advertise for bids to replace/
repair Sand Shed cover for Highway Department. Motion by
Councilman Antonelli seconded by Councilman Carlson.
Discussion: Supervisor Leggio stated the Highway Superintendent

received quotes. All were over \$10,000 so the formal bidding process has to be applied. The salt shed is 15 to 18 years old and it is a metal frame with a fabric cover. Vote: 4 Yes 0 No/Absent Motion carried.

Res 40-2013 Amend Section 904 of the Town of Catskill Employee Handbook. Motion by Councilman Antonelli seconded by Councilman Walsh. Vote: 4 Yes 0 No/Absent Motion carried.

Res 41-2013 Amend Mileage Reimbursement Rate (\$0.565/mile) Motion by Councilman Antonelli seconded by Councilman Walsh. Vote: 4 Yes 0 No/Absent Motion carried.

Res 42-2013 Assessment Settlement with Greene Healthcare Assoc. Inc. Motion by Councilman Walsh seconded by Councilman Antonelli. Discussion: Supervisor Leggio stated he spoke with the Assessor. This is in the best interest of the Town. Our liability for four years is \$10,000 which will be reimbursed to GHCA. The case went to court and in the process the judge was appointed to Federal court and never wrote his decision. To retry the case will be very costly. He believes it is right and the assessed value correct and the court put a monkey wrench in it. Councilman Antonelli stated Dan handles our certiorari cases and he has never steered us wrong. His record of winning is 95% and if he thought we could win he would have gone for a retrial. He takes Dan at his word and the place has also been sold. Supervisor Leggio stated it has been bought by Columbia Memorial Hospital. The School District used to contribute to the cost of tax certiorari cases but they are not any longer. Vote: 4 Yes 0 No/Absent Motion carried.

Supervisor Leggio reviewed the County resolution:

Res 126-13 Approving Reimbursement to Comm Colleges
(Catskill's share \$16,521.46)

Supervisor Leggio reviewed the correspondence:

Greene County Highway Dept County Road 47 (Cauterskill Rd.) over Kaaterskill Creek Project newsletter.

Energy Bulletin from Central Hudson

Invitation to public policy forums at the Nelson A. Rockefeller Institute of Government April 8th and 11th.

Brochures from Legal Aid Society regarding Domestic Violence Legal Assistance Project.

Email from Rich Pratorius for quote for fence for Route 23A Culvert Pipe Replacement.

Discussion: Supervisor Leggio stated the one quote is \$2,600 and the second is \$1,625 but they did not quote the exact same thing. He stated Rich should re-contact and Councilman Carlson concurs. He will contact Rich.

Letter from Hudson River Frontier Missionary Baptist Assoc., Inc, Rev. Richard Turpin, inviting Board to their Association's 50th Anniversary August 2, 2013. Discussion: Supervisor Leggio stated they would like a proclamation or letter commenting on their milestone. Councilman Antonelli stated to send them a proclamation and the rest of the board concurs. Supervisor Leggio asked Liz to write it.

Letter from McDonald's Owners and Operators of the Capital Region asking for a proclamation of recognition of the Sixth McTeacher's Night, Tuesday, April 16th. Motion by Councilman Antonelli and seconded by Councilman Carlson in support of this endeavor. Vote: 4 Yes 0 No/Absent Motion carried.

Copy of letter sent to NYS Office of Emergency Management from Rich Pratorius regarding Woodstock Retaining Wall Reconstruction. Discussion: Supervisor Leggio stated DEC and Army Corp had design changes and adjustments to the retaining wall. Paperwork has been sent and this is a follow up letter. We are waiting for them to review. He spoke with Karen Giadasz from DEC this morning and reiterated to her the ball was in their court and he would like the project to start in May and would appreciate an answer as soon as possible. We have to bond the money and do not want to do that until we know the start date. He is hoping to have an answer next week. He is hoping for them to answer so he doesn't have to go through our Congressman or Senator. He stated everyone knows the importance of the wall.

Resignation from Nancy McCoy, Town Assessor, effective April 30, 2013. Motion from Councilman Walsh seconded by Councilman Antonelli to accept Nancy McCoy's resignation with regret. Vote: 4 Yes 0 No/Absent Motion carried.

Supervisor Leggio had asked Code to come up with a fee schedule of building without a permit. Councilman Antonelli stated they are meeting with Mike Smith Friday.

Supervisor Leggio mentioned finalizing the ambulance billing hardship cases. Councilman Antonelli stated we are waiting from Digitech to see what is involved with them.

Supervisor Leggio stated the new ambulances will be here near the end of the month.

Supervisor Leggio next mentioned the discussion of the rent for the Senior Center from DOA. Councilman Walsh wishes to wait for her to come back from vacation and discuss with us. Councilman Carlson concurs. He stated it is presumptuous for them to send a contract with the amount stated without discussion. Councilman Antonelli wants to know why the Town has to shoulder as the County has more money. Councilman Carlson stated it is like the fly car. When they have a shortfall we have to come up with it. Councilman Antonelli stated to set up a meeting or his answer is no. Supervisor Leggio stated it is tabled until she gets back.

Supervisor Leggio asked the board if there was anything else to discuss. The board stated no. The public stated no. With no further business a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Walsh and seconded by Councilman Carlson. Meeting ended 7:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Izzo
Town Clerk