

Catskill Town Board Meeting
Catskill Town Hall
April 2, 2024 6:30 pm

PRESENT:	Patrick McCulloch,	Supervisor
	Jared Giordiano,	Councilman
	Dawn Scannapieco,	Councilwoman
	Steven Espel,	Councilman
	Brian Kozloski,	Councilman

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

MINUTES:

March 5, 2024 Town Board Meeting
March 20, 2024 Town Board Committee Meeting

Motion: Councilman Giordiano, second Councilwoman Scannapieco. Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Card from Priscilla DiConti thanking us for choosing her cat for this year's Cat n Around Catskill.

Letter from NYS Dept Public Service regarding broadband connectivity act of 2021.

Letter from Capital Region Clean Energy Hub, NYSEDA initiative, for renewable energy, especially solar energy, and participation in Capital Region Community Solar.

Notice from the Village of Catskill public hearing purpose of upgrading a 2-family residence to a 4-family unit on Thompson St. (held Marh 25th).

Letter from Vitaliy Bobkov with his recommendations to streamline the Planning Board process.

CONTINUING BUSINESS:

Palenville Sidewalk Project. Supervisor McCulloch stated an email was received by the County inquiring about the local share reimbursement for the project. The town applied for a grant through George Amedure's office and was awarded the grant. We have not received the money. He has contacted Sen. Hinchey's office. He is at a loss as to the next step to finalize this. Discussion about the possible next steps to take.

NEW BUSINESS:

PT EMT Positions. Received an email from George June regarding appointments. *Resolution # 37-2024 on motion of Councilman Giordiano, second Councilman Kozloski appointing Harleigh Frascello, Natalie Tedesco, Thomas Todd, and Powers Kemmy as PT -EMT's pending pre-employment screening April 2, 2024. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes*

Laptop proposal for Code Office. *Supervisor McCulloch stated this is needed for fieldwork with the new software. Code has money in their budget. Resolution # 38-2024 on motion of Councilman Giordiano, second Councilwoman Scannapieco authorizing the purchase of two (2) iPad 256GB with unlimited data at a cost of \$1,499.98 and \$63.98 per month respectfully. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes*

Summer Recreation – posting two (2) assistant directors, \$20 per hour; eleven (11) councilors, \$18 per hour, must be 18 years of age. *Supervisor McCulloch would like this post and then Barb can interview at the end of the month. We can then hire and train and submit our renewal applications to the state. Resolution # 39-2024 on motion of Councilwoman Scannapieco, second Councilman Espel authorizing the posting of Assistant Counselor and Counselor positions for Summer Recreation. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes*

Cemetery – posting two (2) part-time cemetery workers. *Supervisor McCulloch would like to post these positions. Resolution # 40-2024 on motion of Councilman Giordiano, second Councilman Kozloski to post for two (2) PT Cemetery Seasonal Laborers. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes*

EFC grant agreement resolution for the Wastewater Infrastructure Engineering Planning Grant award. *Supervisor McCulloch reviewed the grant for work to be done at Cementon Sewer. Resolution # 35-2024 on motion of Councilman Giordiano second by Councilwoman Scannapieco to have Patrick McCulloch, Town Supervisor, have authorization for designated representative for the execution EPG Wastewater Infrastructure Grant Agreement through NYSEFC. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes*

Resolution # 36-2024 on motion of Councilman Giordiano second by Councilman Kozloski authorization and appropriation of local match for the EPG Wastewater Infrastructure Grant Agreement. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes

This will come from Cementon Sewer and will not be a town-wide expense.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

SUPERVISOR COMMENT:

Supervisor McCulloch mentioned an email received from Reed Mower this afternoon. It will be discussed at the next meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING Local Law 1 of 2024 reconvened. Supervisor McCulloch asked if anyone had any questions with the proposed changes to the zoning, including the change he and Councilman Giordiano sent to the board. Ted has reviewed and edited the language. With no comment, a motion to close the public hearing was made by Councilman Giordiano, second by Councilwoman Scannapieco. The public hearing ended at 6:44 pm.

Supervisor McCulloch met with DEC and Michael Blenner and it is clear what the issue is. Ted and Matt are contacting the VP of Albany Medical Center and we hope to remediate the situation soon.

BOARD COMMENTS:

Councilman Giordiano reviewed the repairs for the Ambulance building. He is getting more information/dates for the celebration at the Griffin House.

Mr. Hilscher entered the meeting. He reviewed Part 2 of the EAF/SEQRA for the zoning amendments. He stated the county had no input. Each action was discussed and answered. There is no environmental impact and the board can enter a motion to issue a negative declaration. *Resolution # 41-2024 on motion of Councilman Giordiano, second Councilwoman Scannapieco issuing a Negative Declaration for amendments to the Code of the Town of Catskill. Adopted Vote 5 Yes*

Resolution # 42-2024 on motion of Councilman Giordiano, second Councilwoman Scannapieco adopting Local Law 1 of 2024 Amending the Code of the Town of Catskill. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes

Supervisor McCulloch asked for a motion to enter executive session to discuss a legal issue with the Town Attorney. No further business will be conducted after the close of the executive session. Motion to enter executive session made by Councilman Giordiano, second by Councilwoman Scannapieco. The executive session began at 7:17 pm.

Motion to exit executive session and end the meeting made by Councilman Giordiano, second Councilman Kozloski. Meeting ended 8:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Izzo
Town Clerk