

TOWN BOARD MONTHLY MEETING – April 4, 2017

The Town Board of the Town of Catskill held their monthly meeting Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at 6:30 pm at Town Hall. Supervisor Davis opened the meeting 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

MINUTES:

Motion made by Councilman McCulloch, seconded by Councilman Giordiano to approve the Catskill Town Board Monthly Minutes of March 5, 2017, carried

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution #37-17 with motion by Councilman McCulloch, seconded by Councilman Giordiano to adopt a PILOT for commercial solar installations. Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

CORRESPONDENCE:

Greene IDA notice of adoption of the final FGEIS for the CAT21 Project.

Change order approval from NYSEFC for the Wastewater Collection System in Leeds/Jefferson Heights. *This involved an increase in insurance by the contractor.*

Notice of Abandonment of Subdivision by Cambodian New Life Evangelical Church located at 7 Old High Falls Rd.

Sponsor application for the Palenville Bicentennial photo book received from Paul Agnello. Bicentennial celebration weekend of July 14-15th 2017. *A full page ad will be taken as a group.*

Copy of Order of Consolidation from the NYSDOH for the Town and Village registration districts into a single primary registration district.

Letter from Trustee Brother E. Armstead requesting full day use of the Senior Center on May 27th from 9 am to 9 pm for their Pastoral Anniversary Celebration. Use of the kitchen, dining and community room would be needed. *All were in agreement to allow the use. Councilman Antonelli asked we remind them there is no alcohol allowed on the premises. Michael DeBenedictus is to open and close and Jim should be present.*

NEW BUSINESS:

Proposal from Joe Sacchetti of CIA for building security updates. *The issue is the back door key card entry and it needing to be updated. Councilman Antonelli wishes to wait to see if we are eligible for a*

grant because he would like to change the front door for easy handicap access.

Mr. June stated he has an issue with an access door in his building. Supervisor Davis is to reach out to Mary Beth and to call Joe to quote a key card entry for ambulance.

Seasonal Building Maintenance. Mr. June stated when the assessments on the buildings were completed, the roof drains were clogged on the ambulance building and there was four inches of standing water. This raises the issue of a dedicated maintenance for the buildings. Councilman Giordiano stated we have no real maintenance plan on any of the buildings. Councilman Antonelli asked to go out for RFP's. Supervisor Davis will draft and will follow up.

2018 ALS Contract. Supervisor Davis stated the county drew \$200,000 from their general fund to make the countywide system whole and asked if we are comfortable with how our ambulance system is functioning. All council members were in agreement to stay where we are and Supervisor Davis will inform Mr. Groden.

Sgt. Adam Brainard of GC Sheriff's Office presented his suggestions regarding the security audit and active shooter presentation which was at Town Hall. He reviewed his recommendations. Supervisor Davis thanked Sgt. Brainard for his presentation as it was very well received.

CONTINUING BUSINESS:

Travis Smigel of Delaware Engineering was present. The project has re-started. They are in Brooks Lane and Wildwing Park to finish up and then they will start to move towards Leeds. A crew will be in the DOT ROW and will move toward Leeds. Currently work is being done in the tunnel underneath the thruway installing the force main.

The two pump stations, Brooks Lane and Austin Acres, the startups have been completed. The Town will own the pump stations so the fuel for them will be a town generated expense.

Supervisor Davis stated the board will need to decide after the completion of construction in Jefferson Heights if there will be an option for early connection. She stated the town will need to capture the information to put in the June FAQ. Councilman McCulloch stated we will also need to ask the Village if they are ready. Supervisor Davis stated we will also need restoration information to communicate to residents in Jefferson Heights too.

Supervisor Davis asked to explore the option for financial help for the residents regarding hooking into the system. Travis stated he will reach out as some low income homes can apply for financial assistance.

Supervisor Davis asked for a timeline. Mr. Smigel stated after testing the town will send a mailer to all residents in Jefferson Heights to come to town hall and obtain a packet of information which will have a detailed list to connect. This process can start sometime in June.

Supervisor Davis asked if there was any public comment regarding the sewer system. Mr. Izzo asked for the town to check with the Village regarding their billing as there seems to be a water charge and sewer charge.

Matt Luvera had a question regarding rocks on people's lawns and if there is some correction. Mr.

Smigel stated there is. Mr. Luvera asked about the grading of the road in Wildwing Park as it is graded higher than the lawn and if it will be leveled to the lawn height. Mr. Smigel stated there are no plans for an elevation change. Councilman McCulloch stated Shawn has something in place. Councilman Vosburgh stated if the concern is it is too high to mill before repaving. Mr. Smigel stated repaving will be done towards the end of the year into the next.

Mr. Goldfarb asked about the annual cost per home. Mr. Smigel stated since his home is now in the sewer district there will be a stub to connect. The cost will be the debt service, cost to treat and an operational and maintenance cost.

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:

Supervisor Davis stated the sidewalk project in Palenville is taking place at the end of April.

She had a meeting with Rich Praetorius regarding the culvert pipe replacement and the work he completed for it. She is recommending we pass a resolution to pay Mr. Praetorius for the plans he did. The work needs to be done off of the NYS DOT list. *Resolution # 40-17 with motion by Councilman Giordiano, seconded by Councilman Vosburgh authorizing the payment of \$17,120 for engineer work for the culvert pipe replacement on Pennsylvania Avenue. Vote: Adopted 5 – Yes*

Supervisor Davis stated we need to pass the resolution adopting the LL 3 of 2017 Mass Gatherings. *Resolution # 38-17 with motion by Councilman Giordiano, second by Councilman Vosburgh adopting Local Law 3 of 2017 Regulating Mass Gatherings. Vote: Adopted 5 – Yes*

Supervisor Davis stated we need to pass a resolution for the Bridge NY Culvert Pipe Repair Project on Pennsylvania Avenue. *Resolution # 39-17 with motion by Councilman McCulloch, seconded by Councilman Giordiano for the Bridge NY Culvert Pipe Repair Project on Pennsylvania Avenue. Vote: Adopted 5 – Yes*

Supervisor Davis complimented the First Responders today regarding the barge running aground off of the Catskill Point today.

With no further comment a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman McCulloch, seconded by Councilman Giordiano. Meeting ended 7:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Izzo
Town Clerk