

CATSKILL TOWN BOARD MONTHLY MEETING

April 7, 2015

The Town Board of the Town of Catskill held their monthly board meeting on Tuesday, April 7, 2015 at 6:35 pm. The meeting immediately began upon the close of the public hearing. The following members were present:

Joseph Leggio, Supervisor
Robert Antonelli, Councilman
Pat Walsh, Councilman
Gary Carlson, Councilman
Jared Giordiano, Councilman

Also Attending: Michael Smith, Town Attorney

Supervisor Leggio stated to set up a meeting with the property owner of Meadow Wood LLC and come up with a time line/plan within the week for at least one building to avoid a litigation process.

Mr. Cashin stated everything they have said is true. He would like an inventory of the apartments as some things will require building permits. Mr. Smith stated he would like an inspection of the unoccupied and occupied apartments to satisfy Mr. Cashin of the living conditions being up to code. Mr. Baynes stated that is no problem unless the tenant wishes them to not have them come in. Mr. Bodine stated no one is charging them rent and there are no lease agreements and everyone is happy; however, when there will be rules and regulations, people will not be happy. Mr. Baynes stated they will do everything they can to get John into the apartments. Supervisor Leggio thanked them for coming.

MINUTES TO BE ACCEPTED:

03/03/2015	Town Board Monthly Meeting	Motion: C. A. Second: C. C.
03/16/2015	Government Operations Meeting	Motion: C. A. Second: C. W.
03/18/2015	Town Board Committee Meeting	Motion: C. A. Second: C. G.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE:

Dog Control Log

Highway Department: Quotes for overhead doors; quote removal of fuel tanks

Supervisor Leggio stated there are two quotes for replacement of the overhead doors. The quotes include prevailing wage. One is from C & R in the amount of \$8,950.00 and the other is from Madsen in the amount of \$12,213.00. The doors are in rough shape. There is no safety

stops on them. Resolution #30-2015 with motion by Councilman Walsh second by Councilman Giordiano awarding quote to C & R Overhead Doors in the amount of \$8,950.00 Adopted 5 Yes

Supervisor Leggio next mentioned the old oil/propane tanks. It is the recommendation of DEC to use Albany Tank Services. There is a permit issued to each of them so they cannot be just cut up. Patrick stated two businesses and one municipality want them but they do not want to pay the cost of cleaning them. Resolution #31-2015 with motion by Councilman Antonelli second by Councilman Giordiano to have Albany Tank Services clean the four aboveground diesel storage tanks in the amount not to exceed \$6350.00. Adopted 4 Yes 1 No (Carlson)

Patrick McCulloch gave an update on the Highway Department. He stated starting in the middle of May road paving will commence. Supervisor Leggio asked if this will use all the CHIPS money. Mr. McCulloch stated yes.

Supervisor Leggio asked about the surplus equipment. Mr. McCulloch stated Jack called Auctions International. Every piece of equipment will need a form. All of the equipment is currently at the landfill. He stated he received a verbal offer from the Town of Rensselaerville for \$6,000 for the OshKosh.

Councilman Carlson asked about the bridge on Penn Ave. Mr. McCulloch stated Rich Praetorius is looking into it as the State is not cutting money and it is still in the review process. If something isn't done by winter, it will have to be braced.

Councilman Antonelli asked about the inventory. Mr. McCulloch stated Sandy has it.

Supervisor Leggio asked when the brush dump is to open. Mr. McCulloch stated April 18th. Supervisor Leggio stated we will figure out who to put up there. He next mentioned ten hour days. The town board hasn't discussed but if you need to go to ten hour days it is upon your discretion and Apple's but unless you are motor paving, there is so much stuff to get done there is no advantage to ten hour days. Councilman Carlson concurred. Councilman Antonelli stated it is a waste with the certain exceptions of motor paving.

Supervisor Leggio asked to start to prepare a replacement equipment list. Mr. McCulloch stated #3 is in rough shape. He asked about seasonal workers. Three people have applied and Kirsten is calling for the drug screening. Mr. McCulloch asked about a cleanup day. Councilman Antonelli does not want to have one. Supervisor Leggio stated it costs us \$10,000. Councilman Giordiano supports a cleanup day. Councilman Carlson doesn't believe in it. Councilman Walsh stated to forego because of budgetary reasons. Councilman Antonelli stated there are three votes to not have it. *Resolution #32-2015 with motion by Councilman Antonelli second by Councilman Carlson to NOT have a cleanup day this year. Adopted 4 Yes 1 No (Giordiano)*

CORRESPONDENCE:

Letter from GC Treasurer re: Maetrum of Cybele retroactive tax exemption to be reimbursed (\$6,761.12).

Notice of Tentative Special Assessment Roll from NYS Dept of Taxation & Finance

Letter from GCEMS regarding the 2015 Contract to be signed

Letter from Catskill Mountain Development in regards to the PILOT program for Autumn Grove Apts.

Postcard from Hudson River Valley Greenway for grant program.

Letter from Homeland Security regarding allowing local govt's to share sources during declared states of emergencies and the 'IMAP' program (Intrastate Municipal Aid Program).

Letter from Village of Athens Village Attorney Tal Rappleyea regarding a proposed zoning change in the VOA.

Letter from Town of Coxsackie regarding a public hearing to amend their zoning law.

Invitation from Ruth Pforte, Volunteer Coordinator for GC Dept of Human Services to participate in Official's Day of Recognition assisting home bound meal program, April 7th.

Dept of Army Permit Application for CSX Transportation Inc.

Letter from NYSDOT regarding rehabilitation of the Route 23A bridge over the Kaaterskill Creek, projected work to begin April 6th.

NYMIR invitation for a "Drive to Survive" seminar (free) for any employee who operates heavy/commercial motor vehicle. This will be held at the GC Emergency Building on May 12th from 8 am to 11 am.

Annual meeting notice for NYMIR and proxy if not attending (mtg to be held 5/1 10 am at the Fort Orange Club in Albany).

Letter from North America Transmission regarding their New Scotland to Leeds to Pleasant Valley proposal.

Letter from CSD regarding the Ricky Cramer Field.

Letter from Donald Matusik, Esq. on behalf of JG's Bar & Grill Inc liquor license, temp retail permit as well as on premise retail license (located at 800 Rt 23B)

30 day advanced notice liquor license renewal from B & B Lounge (located at 5207 Rt 32)

COUNTY RESOLUTIONS:

Res 92-15 Approving reimbursement to Comm. Colleges (Catskill's share \$7,568.71)

CONTINUING BUSINESS:

Supervisor Leggio stated the contract with GCEMS has not been signed. Michael Smith to follow through with George.

Supervisor Leggio asked if anyone had any comment. Councilman Giordiano asked if there has been any headway finding out the total cost of the ambulance. Supervisor Leggio stated there have been preliminary numbers. George is in the process of reviewing. If we go with ALS or stay it is not a big monetary difference. The bigger issue is where the control will be. If the TOC contributes 40% of ALS share and we have a county wide plan, we are only 1/13th vote. Currently we are in control of our own destiny.

Councilman Antonelli recommends staying. Councilman Carlson recommends staying as a non-profit has no checks or balances. There will be no way in the future to get back what we have if it doesn't work out. We have the preeminent service in the County. Maybe we should reach out to other muni's to serve. All of our pieces are in place to start our ALS service. Supervisor Leggio stated George will have a package for us to address at our next meeting.

Supervisor stated he has received a letter from Solomon & Solomon regarding collections. Their recommendation is claims under \$500, no litigation but if there offers on claims, what will the town accept. They have an 80% threshold. For claims over \$500, civil litigation. Councilman Walsh stated it sounds fine as did Councilman Giordiano. People can still fill our hardship forms. It is best to leave in their hands. Councilman Antonelli recommended adopting that. *Resolution #33-2015 with motion by Councilman Antonelli second by Councilman Walsh to adopt the recommendations from Solomon & Solomon for ambulance collections. Adopted 5 Yes.*

Supervisor Leggio asked John Cashin to have for next week's meeting, the local laws itemized by the Code. Mr. Cashin stated there are 3 recommendations and he will have them to you before the next meeting.

With no further business a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Antonelli second by Councilman Carlson. Meeting ended 7:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Izzo
Town Clerk