

TOWN BOARD MONTHLY MEETING – June 7, 2016

The Town Board of the Town of Catskill held their monthly meeting Tuesday, June 7th at 6:35 pm at Town Hall. The following members were present:

Doreen Davis, Supervisor
Robert Antonelli, Councilman
Jared Giordiano, Councilman
Patrick McCulloch, Councilman
Paul Vosburgh, Councilman

MINUTES:

Motion by Councilman Giordiano, seconded by Councilman Vosburgh to accept the minutes of the Public Hearing #3-2016 May 3rd; Town Board Monthly Meeting May 3rd; Department Head Meeting May 5th; and Town Board Committee Meeting May 18th, carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

Supervisor Davis asked Ms. Bianconi for a brief overview for the following resolution. Ms. Bianconi stated the project started four to five years ago. Costs have increased since then which increases the maximum amount to be expended for the project even though the cost per user decreased due to zero percent financing. A public hearing was conducted in May and OSC requires a review since the cost exceeds the threshold. After approval, the board will adopt the amended bond resolution.

Supervisor Davis stated we would like to send out a brief FAQ, the top five or six, and send out in the water bills as people have been asking questions.

Resolution # 68-2016 Authorization and Verification of Application for Permission from the State Comptroller for an increase in the maximum amount to be expended for the Leeds Jefferson Heights Sewer District under Part 85. Motion: Councilman Vosburgh
Second: Councilman McCulloch Adopted Vote: 5 Yes (Roll Call)

Resolution #69-2016 Authorizing Town Court Clerks attend NYS Court Clerk & Magistrate Conference September 25-28th in Binghamton. Motion: Councilman McCulloch
Second: Councilman Vosburgh Adopted Vote: 5 Yes

Resolution #70-2016 Amendment to Employment Handbook Section 705 Overtime.
Motion: Councilman Giordiano Second: Councilman McCulloch Adopted Vote: 5 Yes

Resolution #71-2016 Accept Collective Bargaining Agreement with UPSEU-Ambulance
Motion: Councilman McCulloch Second: Councilman Vosburgh Adopted Vote: 5 Yes

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Highway-RFP for One ton Pickup; Recommendation from Superintendent to remove Jason Jubie from his probationary period as HEO and Justin Menalaos from his probationary period.
Councilman McCulloch asked for a motion to put out for RFP's for a one ton pickup truck.
Resolution # 72-2016 with motion by Councilman Giordiano, seconded by Councilman Vosburgh authorizing the Highway Superintendent request proposals for a one ton pickup truck.
Adopted Vote: 5 Yes

Councilman McCulloch asked for a resolution to change the employment status of Jason Jubie.
Resolution# 73-2016 with motion by Councilman Vosburgh, seconded by Councilman Giordiano to change the employment status of Jason Jubie removing him from his probationary period for HEO. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes

Resolution # 74-2016 with motion by Councilman Vosburgh, seconded by Councilman Giordiano changing the employment status of Justin Menealos by removing him from his probationary period. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes

Ambulance-bid for new ambulance. *Councilman McCulloch would like a resolution authorizing George June go out to bid for a new ambulance to replace the 2008 Ford. Resolution # 75-2016 with motion by Councilman Giordiano, second by Councilman Vosburgh authorizing the Ambulance Administrator solicits bids for a new ambulance. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes*

Finance – Enhanced Business Systems renewal. *Supervisor Davis stated the contract is to renew however we have transitioned to QuickBooks to track our finances. The question remains is if the \$900 annual support fee is needed to make sure if we need to get into the program we can. Webjogger is looking into and it will be reviewed next meeting.*

CONTINUING BUSINESS

Supervisor Davis asked for a motion for the water district. Ms. Bianconi stated the board needs to review and adopt SEQR first and issue a negative declaration. She stated the board does not need to declare lead agency as the town is the only agency involved. *Resolution # 76-2016 with motion by Councilman Giordiano seconded by Councilman Vosburgh determining the SEQR*

review for the Leeds and Jefferson Heights Water District will not have any significant adverse environmental impact and therefore issues a Negative Declaration. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes

Resolution # 77-2016 with motion by Councilman McCulloch, seconded by Councilman Giordiano establishing the Leeds Jefferson Heights Water District subject to a Permissive Referendum under Town Law Article 12-A. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes (Roll Call)

COUNTY RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 182-16 Distribution of Mortgage Tax (Catskill's share \$107,813.16) *Supervisor Davis stated this is an increase from the last amount distributed.*

BOARD COMMENTS:

Councilman Antonelli stated a tree has been removed in the Cemetery along the property line of Country Club Estates and he wants to plant 5 trees to replace. The cost is \$931.50 and Story's Nursery will do the planting. This is to help shield the cemetery from the homeowner's. Supervisor Davis and all board members were in support of planting the five trees.

Councilman McCulloch asked if the school passed the Veteran's exemption. They did not and Supervisor Davis stated a letter of support will be sent to the school.

CORRESPONDENCE

Permit Application for septic system plan for property owned by Christine Annese from Dept of Army.

In-Flight Inc. flyer for success academy for Independent living.

Letter from Catskill Central School District regarding budget vote results.

24th Annual New York State ReLeaf Conference at Skidmore College for public works, planning and zoning boards.

Letter from Robert Van Valkenburg from GC Highway regarding SEQRA Lead Agency for Palenville & Coxsackie Sidewalk Improvements. *Supervisor Davis stated the State Dormitory is near approving the grant.*

Invitation from Cornell Cooperative Extension for invasive species (Emerald Ash borer & Hemlock woolly adelgid) overview in our region, June 16th from 12:30-3:00 pm.

New York State Dept of Taxation & Finance tentative equalization rate for TOC Is 61.00

NYMIR accounting statement for fiscal year 2015.

Letter from Department of State regarding recent complaint submitted to their office (TOC Code). *Supervisor Davis state the Code was absolved and the case is closed.*

Letter from Charter Communications regarding Time Warner Cable transaction as part of their company.

Email from Young/Sommer LLC regarding Eminent Domain Leeds Jefferson Heights Sewer District report. *Supervisor Davis stated there were 7 properties. Three have been resolved and the other four the town now owns that portion of the property.*

CONTINUING BUSINESS:

Andy Bronstein of the Maltasia Music Festival was present and appreciates the boards support and corporation. Supervisor Davis stated your letter was self explanatory. The festival will be from September 2nd to the 4th. The property owners have signed a contract. Mr. Bronstein stated it is a three day camp/music festival. The ticket sales will cap at 900. There will be twenty plus bands. Councilman Vosburgh stated a meeting with involved agencies is scheduled.

Councilman McCulloch mentioned a moratorium on the noise ordinance for the event.

Resolution # 78-2016 with motion by Councilman Giordiano, seconded by Councilman Vosburgh to issue a moratorium on the noise ordinance from September 2nd to September 4th for the music festival. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes

With no further business a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Giordiano seconded by Councilman Vosburgh. Meeting ended 7:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Izzo
Town Clerk