

Catskill Town Board Monthly Meeting
Catskill Town Hall
July 5, 2011 6:30 pm

Attendance: Pat Walsh, Acting Supervisor; Robert Antonelli, Councilman; Michael Smith, Councilman; Kevin Lennon, Councilman; Elizabeth Izzo, Town Clerk

Acting Supervisor Walsh opened the meeting with a moment of silent prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. The following minutes were reviewed:

06/02/2011	Government Operations Meeting Motion Councilman Antonelli Second Councilman Smith Ayes 4, Nays 0 Absent 0
06/07/2011	Catskill Town Board Meeting Motion Councilman Antonelli Second Councilman Smith Ayes 4, Nays 0 Absent 0
06/15/2011	Catskill Town Board Committee Meeting Motion Councilman Antonelli Second Councilman Smith Ayes 4, Nays 0 Absent 0
06/16/2011	Joint Meeting Motion Councilman Antonelli Second Councilman Smith Ayes 4, Nays 0 Absent 0

The following county resolution was mentioned:

Res 207-11	Adjusting Weighted Votes Pursuant To 2010 Census
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Acting Supervisor Walsh moved to new business. He stated the Highway Union has tentatively agreed to a one year contract with no wage increase but everything else in the contract to stay the same. He stated they will get back to us.

Acting Supervisor Walsh stated Michael Richardson will be attending the committee meeting to speak about health insurance and a health savings plan.

Councilman Antonelli stated this has been done before. We have too few people in Town Hall and last year after the proposal, they never came back with a price. He stated to start negotiating with the unions to change and then get everyone on board. He stated he agrees with a plan to save money but needs to be a package deal. Acting Supervisor Walsh stated if the insurance change is substantially the same there is no problem.

Acting Supervisor Walsh stated we need to make some changes. Councilman Antonelli stated 10 people won't change a thing. He stated maybe look at going under the County plan. Councilman Smith stated why have Michael Richardson give us a proposal for health insurance when we foreclosed the opportunity to negotiate with the Highway Department that would be more important than no increase. He stated at this point do we table our negotiation with the Highway Department. He stated we have to give the guy something to work with and 10 people in Town Hall is not going to do it. He also stated the other thing is the Ambulance. There should be a review where all the departments are subject to a review. It needs to be addressed in such a way that Richardson knows his parameters as well as our union and non-union employees.

Acting Supervisor Walsh stated he is having him come to the committee meeting and the questions can be asked to him at that time. He is very familiar with the union contracts because he negotiated all of them. It is time to get this thing in the works.

Acting Supervisor Walsh stated in everyone's box is a tentative schedule for Peter to spend more time to clean at the Senior Center. Councilman Lennon stated the department heads for the Senior Center, Ambulance and Town Hall, if we could give Peter a more concise list of activities that he will do and clean and look at further enhancements to do.

Councilman Antonelli stated this change in his schedule came about because Celeste left. He stated when he is at the Senior Center, they tell him what to do. When Celeste was there, he was doing a lot more because Celeste was the assistant director up there. Councilman Lennon stated that is what he is getting to; is that we have an employee there who is suppose to be cleaning, but if we have no agenda of what she is going to do. Councilman Antonelli stated she is no longer there; Celeste. Councilman Lennon stated the second person's job description has cleaning duties. We need to define those. Councilman Antonelli stated it is defined in the job description. Councilman Lennon stated it is not detailed enough. He stated we don't know if Peter is doing his cleaning or the other person and we are already paying someone to do that job so we are sending two people to possibly do the same job. Councilman Antonelli stated the problem is when we hired the two part-time people there were working 20 hours per week. Know the one part-time person is working 30 some hours per week. This is the director's fault. She is not

cleaning. Councilman Lennon stated she is only supposed to working 20 hours per week. It was mandated by the board a month ago. He stated he saw his time sheet and she is working more and it needs to be handled. Councilman Antonelli agreed. Councilman Antonelli stated we need to start with the director and make sure she knows her duties. She goes on these trips with the seniors and we have nothing to do with those trips and we pay her to go on those trips. Her job is to run the Senior Center; not to go on the junkets with them. Her position needs to be corrected and then come down the line. Councilman Lennon agrees. Councilman Antonelli stated this girl is working 30 hours and if we don't say anything it will be up to 40. Corrective action needs to start from the top. Leave Peter's schedule as Stanley set it up for now.

Acting Supervisor Walsh asked if there were anymore comments on the Senior Center. He stated we will let Peter go up a couple more hours a week to the Senior Center and we will work on the administrative duties and the job description of the person hired.

Councilman Lennon stated he handed out at the last meeting the AED procedure and hoped to have a resolution passed at tonight's meeting. We can schedule a CPR and AED training for employees and town councilman after.

RESOLUTION #57-2011

AED PROCEDURE &
MAINTENANCE

Councilman Lennon presented the following for consideration and adoption,

WHEREAS, the Town of Catskill has AED (Automatic External Defibrillator) machines to aid in the event of cardiac arrest, located in Town Hall, Senior Center, and Highway buildings; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Catskill Ambulance Administrator will be in charge of restocking and maintaining the equipment at each location; and

WHEREAS, employees of the Town of Catskill will be trained on how to provide basic first-aid, CPR and AED in a course approved by the state; so

THEREFORE WE, the Catskill Town Board approve the AED procedure and maintenance (attached).

Councilman Antonelli seconded this motion.

Ayes 4, Nays 0, Absent 0

Motion Carried

Councilman Lennon stated he received three complaints regarding noise in the Town. He asked the complainants to send their complaints in writing and he will proceed with the Code Enforcement Officer. He stated two locations were in Leeds (Cauterskill & Five Mile Woods Rd.) and the other the campground. He stated Cauterskill and Five Mile Woods Road had ATV usage. He stated people are bringing about 30 ATV's up and they are riding them all day. Councilman Antonelli stated that is why they never wanted us to develop that area as a park.

The Code Enforcement Officer, John Cashin, stated he received a complaint regarding the campground.

Councilman Lennon stated he stopped by Landon Avenue between the Village of Catskill and the Town of Catskill and the residents would like to have a joint meeting to discuss parking issues.

He also stated the other problem is in Palenville on 32A. He stated DOT had posted some parking signs awhile back and there is still a problem with people parking on the side of the road that limits fire and emergency personnel if needed. He stated the Sheriff and the State Police were called and they could not ascertain or do a summons at that point because we never passed a resolution for those parking signs. He asked John to look into it for us to see who posted the signs.

Councilman Lennon stated he had a discussion with the President of the Little League over the contract. He stated Tri-City Valley Cats may be reluctant to do business if the Little League doesn't have an extending contract. He stated he has been in contact with the general manager and try to coordinate a meeting with them and the President of the Little League. He would hate to see the Tri-City Valley Cats back out because that would be a \$30,000 investment in the field. He has a meeting with Fraser next week to go over the preliminary numbers and the complete concept and opportunities for grants.

Councilman Antonelli asked if we have a decision regarding the lighting in Jefferson Heights. Acting Supervisor Walsh stated he phoned Gary and there isn't a time constraint but we have to decide if we want to have a public hearing. Councilman Antonelli stated you have to have a public hearing. He stated the new lights would look good. Acting Supervisor Walsh stated we will need the numbers for the public hearing so we can tell the residents. Councilman Antonelli recommended having this public hearing at a time different from our regular meetings.

RESOLUTION #58-2011

SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING
FOR JEFFERSON HEIGHTS
SREETLIGHTS

Councilman Antonelli presented the following for consideration and adoption,

WHEREAS, the Greene County Highway Department is in the process of a streetscape project in Jefferson Heights; and

WHEREAS, part of this streetscape project includes possibly changing the streetlights within the Route 23B corridor of the Jefferson Heights Lighting District; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Catskill would like to have a public hearing to hear comments and concerns from those citizens within the lighting district; so

THEREFORE WE, the Catskill Town Board will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, July 13th at 6:15 pm at Catskill Town Hall to hear public comment on the possible change of streetlights along Route 23B in the Jefferson Heights Lighting District.

Councilman Lennon & Smith seconded this motion.

Ayes 4, Nays 0, Absent 0

Motion Carried

With no further comment a motion to enter into executive session to discuss a personnel issue was made by Councilman Antonelli and seconded by Councilman Smith. Executive session began at 6:55 pm.

A motion to exit executive session and end the meeting was made by Councilman Antonelli and seconded by Councilman Smith. Meeting ended 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Izzo
Town Clerk

