

Town Board Monthly Meeting
Catskill Town Hall
August 4, 2009 6:40 pm

Attendance: Peter Markou, Supervisor
Robert Antonelli, Councilman
Patrick Walsh, Councilman
Michael Smith, Councilman
Elizabeth Izzo, Town Clerk

Absent: Lewis O'Connor, Councilman

Supervisor Markou opened the meeting with a moment of silent prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

He reviewed the following minutes:

07/07/2009 Town Board Meeting
Motion Councilman Antonelli
Second Councilman Walsh
Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1 (OConnor)

07/14/2009 Joint Public Hearing Town Board &
Planning Board
Motion Councilman Antonelli
Second Councilman Smith
Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1 (OConnor)

07/22/2009 Town Board Committee Meeting
Motion Councilman Antonelli
Second Councilman Walsh
Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1 (OConnor)

He reviewed the following Town resolutions:

RESOLUTION # 87-2009 TO ACCEPT BID FOR SALE OF
SURPLUS HIGHWAY
EQUIPMENT

Councilman Antonelli presented the following for consideration and adoption,

WHEREAS, the Town of Catskill Highway Department has solicited a bid through an on-line auction site for the sale of a 2002 Ford F350 pickup truck, and

WHEREAS, the highest bid received was \$4,165.00, so

THEREFORE WE, the Catskill Town Board hereby accept the bid in the amount of \$4,165.00.

Councilman Walsh seconded this motion.

Ayes 4, Nays 0 Absent 1 (O'Connor) Motion Passed

RESOLUTION # 88-2009

TO SCHEDULE PUBLIC
HEARING FOR JUNK:
GARY & RAYMOND
PLUSCHAU

Councilman Antonelli presented the following for consideration and adoption,

WHEREAS, the Catskill Town Code Enforcement Office has reported that conditions on the property located at 60-70 Stony Brook Road Ext., Palenville, NY 12463, Tax Map #185.01-2-12, constitute a public nuisance, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Catskill Code Enforcement Office has an Order to Remedy (s) outstanding on this property due to junk accumulation with no corrections being made, so

THEREFORE WE, the Catskill Town Board hereby approve and set a public hearing pursuant to Chapter 115 of the Town of Catskill Code concerning this matter on Tuesday, September 1, 2009 at 6:15 pm at Catskill Town Hall, 439-441 Main Street, Catskill, NY 12414.

Councilman Smith seconded this motion.

Ayes 4, Nays 0, Absent 1 (O'Connor) Motion Passed

Supervisor Markou discussed new business. Councilman Smith stated the Code Enforcement Officer approached him regarding various complaints she is receiving regarding mold in properties. She stated there are no State statutes relative to mold control. Councilman Smith stated we have the authority to adopt rules and regulations regarding mold control. He would like to recommend that we contact council regarding adopting mold statutes and have them review and present to the Board.

Councilman Walsh stated it has been an abnormal summer with all the rain and this will be a ticklish subject. Councilman Smith stated he wants memorandum of law regarding how to measure mold and to enforce abatement. Councilman Walsh stated mitigation would be a problem. Supervisor Markou stated it is worthwhile for council to look at since there is no state statute to see if we can have a local law and to see how it can be enforced if the law is passed. Supervisor Markou stated he will contact council with all in favor.

Councilman Walsh stated that Mike Sterthous has the subdivision changes. He stated Linda had a problem with the street and sidewalks ordinances. There was a section, 138-1 that driveway permits are issued by the Code Enforcement Officer, and she feels that they should be done by the Highway Superintendent. She has no real knowledge if it would need a culvert. Councilman Walsh is hoping to have the public hearing within the month.

Councilman Antonelli stated that the old rural part of the Cemetery is no on computer. They are working on the Town's section. They went and physically looked at the sections to make sure everything is correct. He stated a copy of the record will be held in the Town Clerk's office.

He stated the records room is almost complete. It should be done by the end of the year. A dehumidifier is needed and Jean requested one through a Court grant.

He stated he ordered a flagpole for the Little Red Schoolhouse. It is a 20 foot pole with a light on top that will shine on the flag. There is no rope involved. The flagpole will be placed halfway between the schoolhouse and the gazebo. It cost \$300.00.

Councilman Antonelli also stated that Scott Dutton recommended we get a contract on the heating and air conditioning system at the Ambulance building. It is complicated system. He stated to have Scott draw up the plans and we will go out to bid.

Councilman Smith wanted all to know on the Board that State funding for programs such as the Greene County Council on the Arts is down or non-existent. He stated CCGA may disappear. He mentioned that there will be a fundraiser at the Beattie Powers Place on September 12th.

Supervisor Markou stated the Town of Catskill Board Member's sponsored the cat and if they have not paid yet, they need to submit payment to HOCA.

Supervisor Markou asked for a motion to enter executive session to talk about pending litigation against the Town. Councilman Antonelli made the motion and Councilman Smith seconded.

The Town Board entered into executive session at 7:02 pm.

Motion to end executive session was made by Councilman Antonelli and seconded by Councilman Walsh. Meeting ended at 7:31 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Izzo
Town Clerk

