

Catskill Town Board Monthly Meeting – September 3, 2019
Catskill Town Hall

Attendance: Doreen Davis, Supervisor
Jared Giordiano, Councilman
Patrick McCulloch, Councilman
Dawn Scannapieco, Councilwoman
Paul Vosburgh, Councilman

Supervisor Davis opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC HEARING – LOCAL LAW 5 OF 2019 – NO PARKING

Supervisor Davis asked the clerk to read the notice.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Town Board of the Town of Catskill will hold a public hearing to hear comment and concern regarding Local Law 5 of 2019 amending Chapter 151 No Parking on Tuesday, September 3, 2019 at 6:30 pm at Catskill Town Hall, 439 Main St., Catskill, NY 12414. By Order of the Catskill Town Board, Elizabeth Izzo, Town Clerk

Councilman McCulloch stated this is for Brooks Lane, Mossy Hill Road and Maple St. The Highway Superintendent has discretion on amount of signs to be erected.

Supervisor Davis stated this request is from the Planning Board and residents of Maple St. who petitioned the board.

No one else wished to comment. Public hearing was closed 6:32 pm.

The regular meeting reconvened.

MINUTES:

August 6, 2019 Town Board Monthly Meeting
August 21, 2019 Town Board Committee Meeting

Motion to accept made by Councilman McCulloch second by Councilman Giordiano, carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Letter from Association of Towns regarding membership dues for 2020.

Letter from Kiskatom Fire Dept. regarding their annual fund drive and their annual chicken barbeque dinner Sept. 15th.

Notice of Public Hearing from Livingston Planning Board regarding Tarpon Towers 9/4 at 7 pm.

Letter of appreciation from Jolene Ward of Louisiana regarding assistance from the cemetery staff locating headstones.

Draft agreement for review from Empire State Development for the Quality Inn Demo RESTORE IV Project. *Supervisor Davis stated this is part of the process for funding.*

Public notice for eight year review of the Farmland Protection Board Agriculture District No. 124 by Greene County Economic Development. *Supervisor Davis stated this is a courtesy notice. Meeting dates for public are October 10th at Cornell Coop. Ext.*

PERMA overview educational classes. *Supervisor Davis stated there is a variety of on-line classes to assist employees.*

Greene County Real Property Tax Service 2019 Taxable Assessed Valuations to estimate tax rate for 2020 budget.

Letter of resignation from Aaron Claus, DCO, effective December 31, 2019. *Supervisor Davis read part of his resignation, accepted with regret and wished Aaron the best.*

NEW BUSINESS:

Pre-workshop shop budget meetings scheduled for September 17th and 24th at 6:30 pm Town Hall.

Proposal for HR Services reviewed. Same as last year. The board accepted the proposal.

Proposal for continuation of Meals on Wheels at the Senior Center. No change. Will contact Department Human Services amenable to contract.

Proposal for operation and maintenance of collection system by Village of Catskill. Supervisor Davis stated there have been some first time user errors and Mike has worked well with Delaware Engineering. No calls since. Board authorized Supervisor sign the proposal.

CONTINUING BUSINESS:

Discussion about emergency replacement of ambulance as insurance company has totaled an ambulance due to an accident in July. Councilman McCulloch stated the difference will be taken out of the ambulance budget. *Resolution # 63-19 on motion of Councilman McCulloch second by Councilman Giordiano to authorize the emergency purchase of an ambulance from NorthEastern Rescue Vehicle. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes*

Local Law 5 of 2019. *Resolution # 64-19 on motion of Councilman Vosburgh, second by Councilwoman Scannapieco adopting Local Law 5 of 2019 amending Chapter 151 of the Code of the Town of Catskill No Parking. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes*

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Glide Path Presentation – Erin Hazen and Dave Young gave a presentation to the board regarding an application before the Planning Board for a battery energy storage grid support system. This fits into

NYS's Green Deal initiative. The storage helps reduce the complexity grid operator's face. It is supported by major environmental groups. Ms. Hazen and Mr. Young reviewed how the energy works through the grid, the benefits of a storage facility, the function of energy storage, the construction, the internal component of the container, the safety and hazard mitigation, the location, emergency access to and answered public questions.

Supervisor Davis has followed their process in the Town of Ulster and has talked with Scenic Hudson regarding the project there. She would like to schedule an educational meeting with the community and invite local groups. Ms. Hazen will reach out with dates.

Jenner Michelotti of Solar Generation approached the board regarding their commercial solar project in New Baltimore and if the town would be interested in participating in the solar array. Councilman Vosburgh touched base about solar panels on the roofs of town buildings but there are costs associated with this.

Supervisor Davis asked for a proposal and will research current energy costs with Central Hudson.

Supervisor Davis asked if there was any public comment. No one wished to comment. Motion by Councilman Giordiano second by Councilman McCulloch to end the meeting. Meeting ended 7:43 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Izzo
Town Clerk