

TOWN BOARD MONTHLY MEETING – December 5, 2017

The Town Board of the Town of Catskill held their monthly board meeting on Tuesday, December 5, 2017 at 6:30 pm at Town Hall. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for the passing of Councilman Robert Antonelli and Planning Board member Harry Sacco. The following members were present:

Doreen Davis, Councilman
Jared Giordiano, Councilman
Patrick McCulloch, Councilman
Paul Vosburgh, Councilman

Supervisor Davis stated the seat at the end of the table is not occupied and she is unsure if Councilman Antonelli ever missed a meeting. He will be so missed by the board and by the community. It has been suggested by members of the board to rename the Washington Irving Senior Center to the Robert A. Antonelli Senior Center in his honor. *Resolution # 110-2017 with motion by Councilmen Giordiano, McCulloch, Vosburgh and Supervisor Davis seconded by all to rename the Washington Irving Senior Center to the Robert A. Antonelli Senior Center. Adopted 4 Yes*

Supervisor Davis stated there will be a dedication ceremony at the convenience of the family.

Supervisor Davis also acknowledged the passing of longtime servant for the community, Village police force, highway clerk, Cairo Police Department, GCEMS and Town of Catskill Planning Board member Harry Sacco. It is her hope to be as good a public servant as they were.

MINUTES:

11/2/2017 Department Head Meeting
11/6/2017 Public Hearing 2018 Preliminary Budget
11/6/2017 Town Board Monthly Meeting
11/15/2017 Public Hearing Abandonment Town Road
11/15/2017 Town Board Committee Meeting

Motion: Councilman McCulloch Second: Councilman Vosburgh, carried

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution # 107-2017 Cementon Sewer Bi-Annual Billing

Motion: Councilman McCulloch Second: Councilman Giordiano, Adopted 4 Yes

Resolution # 108-2017 Reappointment to BAR (Board of Assessment Review) Zane Cheek

Motion: Councilman McCulloch Second: Councilman Giordiano, Adopted 4 Yes

Resolution # 109-2017 Ratify Collective Bargaining Agreement with UPSEU

Motion: Councilman Giordiano Second: Councilman Vosburgh, Adopted 4 Yes

CORRESPONDENCE:

Letter from Town of Hunter for proposed telecommunications facility Twilight Cottages located at Squirrel Road.

Resolution from GC Authorizing distribution of mortgage tax (Catskill's share \$54,399.64).

Letter from NYS Dept Public Service to assist in an outreach and education efforts regarding energy cost by ordering pamphlets.

Letter from Justices Wootton & Jacobs regarding the 2017 records and dockets examination and review; records are ready.

Cohen Law Group free legal assessment regarding cable franchise and wireless facilities issues.
Supervisor Davis will contact for information and will get back to the board at the committee meeting.

Letter from ZBA Clerk notice of Mary Beth Lange's resignation from said board at the end of the year.

Letter from PB Clerk Kevin Conklin will not be seeking reappointment to said board and recommendation to appoint Bridget Hernandez.

CONTINUING BUSINESS:

Approval of purchase of new sign at the Cemetery. *Resolution # 111-2017 with motion by Councilman McCulloch seconded by Councilman Giordiano to expend \$1,400 for the purchase of a new sign at the entrance to the Town of Catskill Cemetery. Adopted 4 Yes*

Spooky Hollow Road: Supervisor Davis stated the board and the Town Highway Superintendent need to sign the description of Spooky Hollow Rd and file with the Town Clerk for the abandonment of said road. A resolution to abandon the road was passed in November.

Leeds Jefferson Heights Sewer Project: Supervisor Davis reviewed a memo from Travis Smigel of Delaware Engineering regarding updated costs and project tasks for the Leeds Jefferson Heights Sewer District.

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:

Supervisor Davis stated Larry Stone of The Garland Company will be at the next meeting to discuss options and moving forward on roof repair/replacement projects on town owned buildings.

Maple Grove project: Supervisor Davis stated we are waiting on the SEQRA which will allow us to float the bond. The Highway Department will remove the bridge. The project will begin in March.

Culvert/Sidewalk Drainage Issues: Supervisor Davis stated the county is working with the engineering firm to correct. The water is running into the fire department. The solution is with the engineering firm and Creighton Manning will resolve. It may not be done until the spring but the resolution does not involve the town. She thanked the county for managing the exchange between the engineering firm and PFD.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Many seniors from Catskill High School were in the audience for an assignment for their government class.

With no further comment a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman McCulloch seconded by Councilman Giordiano. Meeting ended 6:55 pm.

Supervisor Davis at the meetings close gave a nod to a good friend here in spirit, Mr. Antonelli.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Izzo
Town Clerk