

Catskill Town Board Monthly Meeting
Catskill Town Hall
December 7, 2021 6:30 pm

Attendance: Dale Finch, Supervisor
 Patrick McCulloch, Councilman
 Paul Vosburgh, Councilman

Absent: Jared Giordiano, Councilman

Supervisor Finch opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES:

November 2, 2021 Public Hearing 2022 Preliminary Budget, Public Hearing Malden West
Camp Fire Contract & Town Board Monthly Meeting

November 17, 2021 Catskill Town Board Committee

Motion to accept Councilman McCulloch, second Councilman Vosburgh. Carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

Cementon Sewer Relevy (\$15,217.92) – Resolution # 114-21 on motion of Councilman Vosburgh, second by Councilman McCulloch authorizing the Cementon Sewer Relevy in the amount of \$15,217.92).
Adopted Vote: 3 Yes 1 Absent (Giordiano)

Cementon Sewer Billing January –June 2022 – Resolution # 115-21 on motion of Councilman McCulloch, second by Councilman Vosburgh approving the amount of \$297.75 per unit for January to June sewer billing. Adopted Vote: 3 Yes 1 Absent (Giordiano)

CORRESPONDENCE:

Municipal Shelter report from NYS Dept. Agriculture & Markets.

Department of Public Works annual outreach program and education campaign re energy costs and links to state and utility financing assistance programs.

HOCA invitation to sponsor Music in the Park 2022 season.

GC Highway reminder of the need for a highway work permit on a county road.

Notice from Trustco Bank the Catskill Branch located at 345 Main St. closing January 28, 2022.

NYS Dept. of Public Works letter regarding the Low Income Household Water Assistance Program as a federally funded program providing drinking and wastewater emergency assistance to eligible households. Applications will start to be accepted 12/1 at the Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance <http://otda.ny.gov/LIHWAP>

Supervisor Finch stated he received an email from Catskill Wheelhouse to meet regarding Summer Recreation Program 2022.

CONTINUING BUSINESS:

NYSERDA – LED Street Lighting – Supervisor Finch stated the agreement with NYSERDA renews automatically. There are 120 non LED lights which will be converted to LED. The grant amount is \$35,000. The cost from Central Hudson to convert is \$36,556. The potential savings looks to be substantial. Resolution # 116-21 on motion of Councilman Vosburgh second by Councilman McCulloch authorizing the Supervisor enter into to a contract with Central Hudson for the conversion of 120 HID streetlights to LED fixtures at a cost not to exceed \$36,556. Adopted Vote: 3 Yes 1 Absent (Giordiano)

Clough Harbor – GIS Mapping Service 2022 – Supervisor Finch stated many offices use this mapping service. In the future, consider breaking out the cost with other departments. If we enter into a multi-year contract the price will be lower. The main cost is cloud storage. Resolution # 117 on motion of Councilman McCulloch second by Councilman Vosburgh authorizing the Supervisor sign the renewal with Clough Harbor for GIS Mapping. Adopted Vote: 3 Yes 1 Absent (Giordiano)

Webjogger Quote – Firewall replacement – Supervisor Finch stated we have \$10,500 remaining in that line. We spoke about this during budget meetings. Resolution # 118-2021 on motion of Councilman McCulloch second by Councilman Vosburgh authorizing the Supervisor sign the quote for the replacement of the firewalls in all town buildings in the amount of \$5,912.76. Adopted Vote: 3 Yes 1 Absent (Giordiano)

Supervisor Finch stated the engineering portion of the quote will be reserved for next year.

Supervisor Finch stated he spoke with George June and the ambulance sign will be installed by next week. Tony will take care of the installation of the light fixtures.

NEW BUSINESS:

Establishing Reserve Accounts for IT and Cemetery Equipment. Resolution # 119-2021 on motion of Councilman Vosburgh second by Councilman McCulloch to establish the IT (Information Technology) and Cemetery Equipment reserve accounts. Adopted Vote: 3 Yes 1 Absent (Giordiano)

Supervisor Finch stated we need to bond for the purchase of the loader for the Highway Department. Resolution # 120-21 on motion of Councilman McCulloch second by Councilman Vosburgh authorizing the bond process for the acquisition of a loader at the Highway Department. Adopted Vote: 3 Yes 1 Absent (Giordiano)

Supervisor Finch stated we took possession in 2021 and we need to offset the account entry to balance.

Resolution # 121-21 on motion of Councilman Vosburgh second by Supervisor Finch authorizing the use of up to \$157,000 in DB Fund Balance for the purchase of the loader at the Highway Department. Adopted Vote: 3 Yes 1 Absent (Giordiano)

Supervisor Finch was contacted by Pat Esposito and will ask her to attend the next meeting to discuss her desire to replant trees in the Cemetery and to form a non-formal committee for such purpose.

Columbia-Greene Humane Society shelter renewal agreement. *Resolution # 122-2021 on motion of Councilman Vosburgh second by Councilman McCulloch authorizing the Supervisor sign the renewal agreement with CGHS/SPCA for shelter services. Adopted Vote: 3 Yes 1 Absent (Giordiano)*

Vacant position – Code Office – *Supervisor Finch would like to advertise for this Administrative Asst. position with duties to include assistance with Planning and Zoning. Resolution # 123-21 on motion of Councilman McCulloch second by Councilman Vosburgh authorizing the advertisement of an Administrative Assistant in the Code Enforcement Office. Adopted Vote: 3 Yes 1 Absent (Giordiano)*

Letter from Judge Jacobs requesting appointment of Kiera Roush as Clerk to Town Justice effective November 13, 2021. *Resolution # 124-21 on motion of Councilman McCulloch second by Supervisor Finch appointing Kiera Roush as Clerk to the Town Justice effective November 23, 2021 at a rate of pay of \$19.99 per hour. Adopted Vote: 3 Yes 1 Absent (Giordiano)*

Letter from Judge Paolino requesting appointment of Ashley Craven as Clerk to Town Justice effective December 13, 2021. *Tabled until the next meeting.*

Letter from ROT Sam Aldi of his appointment of Anthony Petrianni as Clerk for the Receiver of Tax office. *Resolution # 125-21 on motion of Supervisor Finch second by Councilman McCulloch appointing Anthony Petrianni as Clerk for Receiver of Tax at a rate of pay of \$16.58 an hour. Adopted Vote: 3 Yes 1 Absent (Giordiano)*

Accept resignation Dawn Scannapieco for remaining term effective December 7th. *Resolution # 126-21 on motion of Councilman McCulloch second Supervisor Finch accepting the resignation of Dawn Scannapieco for the remainder of her 2021 term. Adopted Vote: 3 Yes 1 Absent (Giordiano)*

Supervisor Finch stated we need to re-bid the Highway and Central Garage trucks. Resolution # 127-21 on motion of Councilman McCulloch second by Councilman Vosburgh authorizing re-bidding of the Central Garage and Highway trucks. Adopted Vote: 3 Yes 1 Absent (Giordiano)

Supervisor Finch stated we will discuss at the next meeting the changes to zoning and schedule a special meeting thereon.

Supervisor Finch stated the ARPA bonus will be in the payroll on the 17th. A memo will be sent alerting those employees receiving the bonus.

Supervisor Finch asked if anyone had any further discussion. With no comment a motion to end the meeting was made by Councilman Vosburgh second by Councilman McCulloch. Meeting ended 7:01 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Izzo
Town Clerk