

TOWN BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING

November 19, 2014

The Town Board of the Town of Catskill held their committee meeting on November 19, 2014 at Catskill Town Hall at 6:30 pm. The meeting was opened with a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance. The following members were present:

Joseph Leggio, Supervisor
Robert Antonelli, Councilman
Pat Walsh, Councilman
Gary Carlson, Councilman
Jared Giordiano, Councilman

Also Attending: Joseph Izzo, Planning Board Chair

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution #117-2014 with motion by Councilman Antonelli second by Councilman Walsh for General A Fund Budget Transfers in the amount of \$101,288. Adopted 5 Yes

Resolution #118-2014 with motion by Councilman Antonelli second by Councilman Giordiano for General B Fund Budget Transfers in the amount of \$6,521.00. Adopted 5 Yes

Resolution #119-2014 with motion by Councilman Antonelli second by Councilman Walsh for General DB Fund Budget Transfers in the amount of \$2,953. Adopted 5 Yes

Resolution #120-2014 with motion by Councilman Antonelli second by Councilman Giordiano to approve the contract with CGHS for the year 2015. Adopted 5 Yes

Resolution #121-2014 with motion by Councilman Antonelli second by Councilman Walsh to accept the certiorari proposal with Wal-Mart Stores. Adopted 5 Yes

CONTINUING/NEW BUSINESS:

Supervisor Leggio stated Code is in the process of amending the local law to be able to write summons and violations to be assessed to a person's property tax. This will be a quicker process than having a public hearing. The attorney will review and will have everything ready so we may schedule a public hearing at our next meeting.

Supervisor Leggio asked Mr. Izzo, Planning Board Chair, if there were any issues regarding with the GIS. Mr. Izzo stated he has told Patricia to get in touch with Clough Harbor. He has spoken

with Clough Harbor and the lines drawn are how they are supposed to be. Supervisor Leggio stated their contract is up for renewal and this is why he is asking.

Supervisor Leggio stated the professional service contract with Pattison, Kosky, Howe & Bucci is up for renewal. The cost is the same as last year. *Resolution #122-2014 with motion by Councilman Carlson second by Councilman Giordiano authorizing the Supervisor sign the renewal contract with the accounting firm of PKHB. Adopted 5 Yes*

Supervisor Leggio mentioned Mr. Ballard's tool allowance and asked how the board wishes to proceed. The mechanics submit tool allowances. Mr. Ballard never purchased tools in 2013 but did so in 2014 and submitted a voucher for his 2013 tool allowance. Councilman Carlson stated it is spelt out in their contract. He stated if the tools were bought in 14 than it is 14's tool allowance. *Resolution #129-2014 with motion by Councilman Antonelli second by Councilman Carlson to reject the reimbursement of tools purchased in 2014 for the yearly 2013 tool allowance and further resolve the tools purchased in 2014 will be for the yearly 2014 tool allowance. Adopted 5 Yes*

Supervisor Leggio stated a voucher was received from the Town Court to purchase a robe for the Justice-Elect. To his knowledge the Town has never purchased a robe for a justice. *Resolution #128-2014 with motion by Councilman Carlson second by Councilman Antonelli to not authorize the purchase of a robe for the Justice-Elect. Adopted 3 Yes 1 Nay (Giordiano) 1 Abstention (Leggio)*

Supervisor Leggio stated Greene EMS met last night and they will be using our ambulance building for residency for 2015. The cost to modify the building is \$3,450 and it is under state bid to purchase the materials. Greene EMS will reimburse the Town the cost of improvements. *Resolution #123-2014 with motion by Councilman Antonelli second by Councilman Walsh approving the purchase of materials in the amount of \$3,450 for modifications to the ambulance building. Adopted 4 Yes 1 Nay (Giordiano) Councilman Giordiano stated he has a problem with a not-for-profit using a town building.*

Supervisor Leggio mentioned the contract with Greene County Dept of Human Services for their use of the Senior Center for the meals on wheels program. It is the board's desire to keep the rent at \$1,200 per month. The County wishes to have the rent at \$1,000 per month. *Resolution #124-2014 with motion by Councilman Antonelli second by Councilman Giordiano to approve the contract with GCDHS for use of the Senior Center with a monthly rental fee of \$1,200. Adopted 5 Yes*

Supervisor Leggio stated SHPO has decided we need a Phase II archeological survey for Leeds for the Leeds Jefferson Heights Wastewater Project. The cost is \$10,400. It must be done or we

will not be able to qualify for funding. *Resolution #125-2014 with motion by Councilman Antonelli second by Councilman Walsh to accept the recommendation of Delaware Engineering to hire Hartgen Archeological Assoc to complete the additional survey work in the amount of \$10,400. Adopted 5 Yes*

Joseph Izzo asked what was found in Jefferson Heights. Supervisor Leggio stated arrowheads, pottery was found near the Little Red Schoolhouse and along the route. Mr. Izzo asked what lead them to significant artifacts along the route. Mr. Tavenner stated even if we don't understand what the find was we still need to go through this process. The line was rerouted to cause less of an issue.

Mr. Tavenner then mentioned the sewer alignment and now it will be routed in back and a pump station will be on Gilfeather's property in Leeds. He mentioned three homes on Park Lane where sewer will be run in back of the property and easements will be needed. He stated the survey will be completed December 12th and this will give the final elevations. He stated some issues will need to be resolved with property owners for the primary pump site locations. The project funding was discussed. EFC is changing their formula on how to determine need. The application will be sent in soon as the sooner it is in the better. We will still need SHPO and the Comptroller to sign off on the project. The bond will wait until after the Comptroller's review comes in but he has asked the bond attorney to have the resolution ready.

He is speaking with the Town Attorney regarding easements that will be needed. The Town will need to decide to either buy or lease where the pump stations will be. Councilman Carlson asked if we purchase the lots if they will be illegal. Mr. Izzo stated the town is exempt from zoning regulations but will need to find out the parcel size.

Mr. Tavenner stated we are still waiting on the Thruway Authority to get back in touch with us. He also stated John Brust has Sandy Mathes speaking with CHGE for the potential of gas service in Jefferson Heights and Leeds.

Supervisor Leggio mentioned the hours at Town Hall for Thanksgiving Eve and Christmas Eve. It has been past practice to close at noon on those days. *Resolution #126-2014 with motion by Councilman Giordiano seconded by Councilman Walsh to close at noon on Thanksgiving Eve and Christmas Eve. Adopted 3 Yes 2 Nays (Antonelli & Carlson)*

Supervisor Leggio mentioned the ski program. The town has received the money from the school district. He wants to move the ski program to the Community Center. Councilman Giordiano stated to leave alone for this year. Councilman Antonelli stated if the CC is willing to administer the program, turn it over. Councilman Carlson stated the prevailing issue was the school funding. Since they did, we don't have to worry about it. *Resolution #127-2014 with*

motion by Councilman Antonelli second by Councilman Carlson to rescind resolution #111-2014 and allow the Community Center to administer the ski program and be it further resolved to have any remaining funds in the Learn to Ski budget transferred to the Community Center. Adopted 4 Yes 1 Nay (Giordiano)

Supervisor Leggio stated the Appellate Court upheld the lower court's ruling regarding the Maetrum of Cybele case. They are now tax exempt.

With no further business a motion by to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Antonelli second by Councilman Walsh & Carlson. Meeting ended 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Izzo
Town Clerk