

Catskill Town Board Committee Meeting  
Catskill Town Hall  
January 16, 2008 6:36 pm

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| Attendance: | Peter Markou,     | Supervisor |
|             | Robert Antonelli, | Councilman |
|             | Lewis O'Connor,   | Councilman |
|             | Patrick Walsh,    | Councilman |
|             | Michael Smith,    | Councilman |
|             | Elizabeth Izzo,   | Clerk      |

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

Supervisor Markou asked if there was any new business to discuss. Councilman Smith stated that he has been in communication with the Kiskatom Fire District, who has been in touch with the Town Board, regarding post reflective numbers for all residences and businesses in their District. They are requesting that before a certificate of occupancy is given, they are required to have post reflective number signs.

Supervisor Markou stated that this will be taken under advisement and will be addressed at the February 5<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. He then asked if there was any other new business.

Councilman Antonelli spoke about the signs that Town Hall needs in order to be in ADA compliance.

RESOLUTION #12-2008

PURCHASE OF SIGNS  
FOR TOWN HALL

Councilman Smith presented the following for consideration and adoption,

WHEREAS, Town Hall has undergone renovations and signs need to be installed for directory and ADA compliance, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has received a quote from Timely Signs of Kingston NY in the amount of \$2,345.00 to install such signs for ADA compliance, window signs, and directory signs, so

THEREFORE WE, the Catskill Town Board hereby accept this quote in the amount of \$2,345.00 for the installation of signs for Catskill Town Hall.

Councilman O'Connor seconded this motion.

Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 0

Motion Carried

Councilman Antonelli also requested that Joe Leggio be appointed to the Recreation Commission. He also thought that maybe he could be the Town's liaison to the Board.

Supervisor Markou decided to wait until the February meeting to vote on this to check on the legality of this appointment.

Councilman Antonelli wants the Board to address the issue of the Recreation program being run by the Community Center. Councilman O'Connor stated that the Community Center was to submit a written program. Supervisor Markou stated that this hasn't been done because there are issues that the Community Center is dealing with. Councilman Antonelli stated that people need to realize how long the Town Board will subsidize the Community Center. He feels that the Community Center should encompass all projects for the youth.

Councilman Antonelli feels that the two Boards should sit down together to see if they are interested.

Larry Federman wanted the Board to know that he whole heartedly supports Joe Leggio's appointment to the Board and hopes that this can be passed tonight and that the idea of him being a liaison to the Town Board can be spoken about at another time.

The Board agreed:

RESOLUTION #13-2008

APPOINTMENT TO THE TOWN/  
VILLAGE OF CATSKILL  
RECREATION COMMISSION  
(Joe Leggio)

Councilman Antonelli presented the following for consideration and adoption,

WHEREAS, there is a vacancy on the Town & Village Recreation Commission, and

WHEREAS, Joseph Leggio has expressed an interest in serving on said Commission, as a Town Representative, so

THEREFORE WE, the Catskill Town Board do hereby appoint Joseph Leggio to serve as a member of the Town & Village Recreation Commission, effective immediately.

Councilman Smith seconded this motion.

Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 0

Motion Carried

Larry stated that as far as the Community Center taking over the Summer Rec Program, the Recreation commission has spoken with members of the Board of the Community Center. The issues that they are looking at are the State mandates that may possibly jeopardize their funding and space and service.

Supervisor Markou spoke of the public hearing and the resolutions that need to be passed that were discussed.

RESOLUTION #9-2008

TO SCHEDULE PUBLIC  
HEARING FOR LOW INCOME  
SENIOR CITIZEN & LOW  
INCOME DISABLED  
TAX EXEMPTION

Councilman Antonelli, presented the following for consideration and adoption,

WHEREAS, the Catskill Town Board will hold a public hearing on February 5, 2008 at 6:00 pm to hear public comment and concerning the increase of the Town of Catskill's Low Income Senior Citizen & Low Income Disability Tax exemption maximum limit sliding scale from \$18,000 to \$18,500, and

WHEREAS, the proposed increase to the Town of Catskill's Low Income Senior Citizen and Low Income Disability Tax Exemption maximum limit sliding scale from a maximum income limit of \$26,899.99 to \$18,500, is as follows:

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| MAXIMUM INCOME LIMIT | \$18,500.00 | 50% |
| \$18,500.00          | \$19,499.99 | 45% |
| \$19,500.00          | \$20,499.99 | 40% |
| \$20,500.00          | \$21,499.99 | 35% |
| \$21,500.00          | \$22,399.99 | 30% |
| \$22,400.00          | \$23,299.99 | 25% |
| \$23,300.00          | \$24,199.99 | 20% |
| \$24,200.00          | \$25,099.99 | 15% |
| \$25,100.00          | \$25,999.99 | 10% |
| \$26,000.00          | \$26,899.99 | 5%  |

Councilman Walsh, seconded this motion.

RESOLUTION #10-2008

TO SCHEDULE PUBLIC  
HEARING TO PROPOSE A  
LOCAL LAW FOR "COLD WAR"  
VETERAN'S EXEMPTION

Councilman Antonelli, presented the following for consideration and adoption,

WHEREAS, the Catskill Town Board wishes to propose a Local Law for "Cold War" Veteran's exemption, and

WHEREAS, this exemption is permitted under Section 458B under the Real Property Tax Law, so

THEREFORE WE, the Catskill Town Board will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 5, 2008 at 6:15 pm at Catskill Town Hall to hear comments and concerns regarding this proposed local law.

Councilman O'Connor, seconded this motion.

Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 0

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION # 11-2008

AGREEMENT PUBLIC SECTOR  
HR CONSULTANTS, LLC

Councilman Antonelli, presented the following for consideration and adoption,

WHEREAS, the Town of Catskill wishes to enter into a retainer agreement for professional human resource management services with the Public Sector HR Consultants, LLC, so

THEREFORE WE, the Catskill Town Board hereby approve this retainer agreement for the period January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008 at a yearly cost of \$24,000 or \$2,000 per month for services outlined in the proposed agreement. (see attached)

Councilman Walsh, seconded this motion.

Ayes 5, Nays 5, Absent 0

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION #14-2008

REMOVAL OF JUNK AT  
PREMISES OF FRELIGH/  
LUCAS, 994 BOGART RD  
PALENVILLE NY

Councilman O'Connor presented the following for consideration and adoption,

WHEREAS, existing violations of the Code of the Town of Catskill-Junk, Chapter 115, Article 2, Sections 115-19, at 994 Bogart Rd, Palenville, NY, Tax Map #169.00-7-14.11, and

WHEREAS, Order to Remedy # 216-2007 was issued by the Code Enforcement Office and has not yet been complied with, and

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing #2-2008 was held on January 16, 2008 at 6:00 pm at Catskill Town Hall, 439-441 Main Street, Catskill, NY on the aforementioned matter, and

WHEREAS, the violations continue to exist, so

THEREFORE WE, the Catskill Town Board will have the Code Enforcement Office with the cooperation of the owners, visit the property by January 25<sup>th</sup>, and if property not cleaned up by February 8<sup>th</sup>, we will go out to bid to clean up the property.

Councilman Antonelli seconded this motion.

Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 0

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION #15-2008

ISSUE CITATION FOR  
NONCOMPLIANCE OF JUNK  
LAW-THORPE/JOHN'S  
GROCERY

Councilman O'Connor presented the following for consideration and adoption,

WHEREAS, existing violations of the Code of the Town of Catskill-Junk, Chapter 115, Article 2, Sections 115-19, at 1187 Route 23A, Catskill, NY, Tax Map #185.02-1-3, and

WHEREAS, Order to Remedy # 181-2007 was issued by the Code Enforcement Office and has not yet been complied with, and

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing #2-2008 was held on January 16, 2008 at 6:15 pm at Catskill Town Hall, 439-441 Main Street, Catskill, NY on the aforementioned matter, and

WHEREAS, the violations continue to exist, so

THEREFORE WE, the Catskill Town Board will have the Code Enforcement issue a citation if conditions have not been met by Friday, January 18, 2007.

Councilman Walsh seconded this motion.

Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 0

Motion Carried

Supervisor Markou reviewed the correspondence.

Councilman O'Connor received a letter from Jeff Seeley to name the island off of Embought Road in memory of Douglas Bush (Bush Island).

Supervisor Markou asked if the island is the property of the Town of Catskill. There was some discussion and the Supervisor stated that this is a dangerous zone to be in and that the Board does not want to get involved. He told Councilman O'Connor to have him contact the Army Corps of Engineers.

Supervisor Markou opened the Public comment section of the meeting.

Dan Howard, Planning Board Chair, thanked the Board for having a public hearing on the Comprehensive Plan and urged the Board to continue to work to passing the Plan.

With no other comments, Supervisor Markou asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Antonelli made the motion and Councilman O'Connor seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:09 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth C. Izzo  
Town Clerk