

TOWN BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING-January 20, 2016

The Town Board of the Town of Catskill held their committee meeting Wednesday, January 20, 2016 at 6:30 pm at Town Hall. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. The Supervisor stated the meeting is being live streamed by WGXC and reviewed the outline of the meeting. The following members were present:

Doreen Davis, Supervisor
Robert Antonelli, Councilman
Jared Giordiano, Councilman
Patrick McCulloch, Councilman
Paul Vosburgh, Councilman
Also Attending: Michael Smith, Town Attorney

RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Councilman Giordiano, second by Councilman Antonelli confirming the appointment of Kim Leggio as Judge Wootton's court clerk.

Vote: Adopted 5-Yes

Motion by Councilman McCulloch, second by Councilman Giordiano to approve the attendance of elected and appointed officials to the Association of Towns Conference February 14-17th.

Vote: Adopted 5-Yes

Motion by Councilman McCulloch, second by Councilman Vosburgh requesting a comprehensive review from the Financial Restructuring Board for Local Governments.

Vote: Adopted 5-Yes

Motion by Councilman Antonelli, second by Councilman Vosburgh authorizing the Supervisor sign the professional services contract for web-based hosting for GIS (Geographic Information System) by Clough Harbor.

Vote: Adopted 5-Yes

Motion by Councilman Giordiano, second by Councilman McCulloch adopting budget amendments to the DB Fund in the amount of \$90,085.

Vote: Adopted 4-Yes 1 No-(Antonelli)

Motion by Councilman Giordiano, second by Councilman McCulloch changing the employment status of Jason Oakley to full-time MEO.

Vote: Adopted 4- Yes 1- No (Antonelli)

Motion by Councilman McCulloch, second by Councilman Vosburgh changing the employment status of Jason Jubie to HEO.

Vote: Adopted 4-Yes 1-No (Antonelli)

Motion by Councilman McCulloch, second by Councilman Vosburgh changing the employment status of Chris Sprague to MEO.

Vote: Adopted 4-Yes 1-No (Antonelli)

Motion by Councilman McCulloch, second by Councilman Vosburgh hiring Justin Menealos as MEO with stipulation.

Vote: Adopted 4-Yes 1-No (Antonelli)

Motion by Councilman Giordiano, second by Councilman McCulloch renewing the five FortiGate security appliance licenses for the town's computer system in the amount of \$1,644.50.

Vote: Adopted 5-Yes

NEW BUSINESS:

Gary Harvey, Greene County Highway Superintendent, gave a brief presentation of the Cauterskill Bridge which was built in 1921 and has outlived its usefulness. The County has received a federal grant for 80% cost of the project with the state contributing 15% and the local share 5%, which is the county share as the bridge is over 25 feet in length. He introduced Barton & LoGiudice who presented the proposed bridge rehabilitation.

Joseph Izzo, Planning Board Chair, approached the board regarding a letter the Planning Board sent the Town Board asking for permission to revise the code regarding solar power and wind power/tunnels for which the Town Board could review and act on. The Planning Board has had an applicant come before their board for solar power for a complex and even though our code references solar power it is not specific. All board members were in agreement they would welcome anything for their review.

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:

The board has been given revisions to the Procurement Policy for their review. She would like all to review the existing and revised policy and merge the two.

We received a letter from DASNY regarding the Palenville sidewalk project. They are administering the grant money the town received and are hoping the project will begin soon.

The Town is considering the use of incident report forms. Samples will be looked at.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Supervisor Davis stated traditionally there is no public comment at work committee meetings; however, we will open the meeting to public comment this one time. The public is limited to two minutes of speaking and they need to be respectful and address the board as a whole.

John Delvecchio approached the board regarding his medical insurance dilemma. Supervisor Davis stated she will look into it for him.

Renee Birnbaum wanted an update on the sewer district. Supervisor Davis stated Delaware Engineering will be at the next meeting. Ms. Bianconi is to call you regarding your property. The goal is to start the project in the spring.

Stella Martin approached the board regarding her ongoing issues with the property in Palenville. She also requested the board make a formal investigation into Elliott Fishman.

Supervisor Davis stated we are committed to resolving the issue and to schedule a meeting with you about this.

Martina Merced stated the issue is composting and he is out of zoning for composting. Supervisor Davis reiterated there is a commitment to look at it all but if in a litigation environment; we are limited to what can be done.

Mr. Hackett asked the code to examine the height he is filling up holes as they are 35 to 50 feet high.

Supervisor Davis stated it is under advisement.

With no further public comment the Supervisor asked for a motion to enter into executive session to review resumes. No further business will be discussed. Motion by Councilman McCulloch, second by Councilman Giordiano to move into executive session. Time 7:50 pm.

On motion by Councilman Giordiano second by Councilman Antonelli, executive session is closed and the committee meeting adjourns. Time 9:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Izzo
Town Clerk