

BEEKMAN TOWN BOARD – REGULAR MEETING – April 11, 2012

The Workshop portion of the Regular Meeting of the Beekman Town Board was called to order at 7:08 PM with Supervisor Matthew D. Kennedy presiding. The Meeting was held in the meeting room at Town Hall.

THOSE PRESENT: SUPERVISOR MATTHEW D. KENNEDY
COUNCILMAN PETER BARTON
COUNCILMAN RON MANGERI
COUNCILWOMAN BARBARA ZULAUF
ALSO PRESENT: DAVID SEARS – ATTORNEY TO TOWN
ABSENT: COUNCILMAN MICHAEL MORAN

Supervisor Matthew D. Kennedy began the Meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence in Honor of our Troops who have served and those currently serving. He made one administrative announcement regarding the location of the fire exits.

TOWN BOARD WORKSHOP:

Citizens' Budget Oversight Committee: Discussion on the Beekman Animal Shelter

Chairman, Paul Curran spoke about a few items the Committee has been focusing on this year. He would like to have a discussion with the Town Board in the near future regarding issuing a Bond. They are also looking at other Town budgets so that they may prepare a report to see where we can have shared services. They have been working on the animal shelter report and although it is not completed yet they wanted to present the Board with what they have so far. The Town of Beekman has been utilizing an offsite kennel since February of 2011 due to the destruction of our own kennel. The Budget Oversight Committee was asked to do a cost analysis of getting our own animal shelter restored versus utilizing an offsite facility. Eugene Wright passed out a package and gave a detailed overview of the report that was compiled thus far.

Town of Beekman Animal Control Officer Paul Hood gave his opinion of the benefits of having our facility restored.

The Regular Meeting of the Beekman Town Board was called to order at 8:05 PM with Supervisor Matthew D. Kennedy presiding. The Meeting was held in the meeting room at Town Hall.

REPORTS:

SUPERVISOR:

Supervisor Kennedy started with announcing the upcoming events; the Annual Fishing Derby is Saturday, April 14th, the Road to Cooperstown Tournament as well as In-House Soccer begins this Saturday; next Tuesday, April 24th is the 2012 Presidential Primary Election. He congratulated Didi Barrett, who won the State Assembly race and is being sworn into office next Tuesday in Albany.

He announced that the Abandoned Property proposed local law public hearing will be set at the next Town Board Meeting.

The Beekman Library is having their annual fundraiser on Saturday, May 19th.

Supervisor Kennedy congratulated Phyllis Hughes, who was in attendance this evening, on her Women of Distinction Award. Phyllis thanked the Town Board.

Supervisor Kennedy reminded everyone that there is a burning ban until May 15th.

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The Supervisor spoke about break-ins that have been occurring in the area. He has spoken to the State Police who advised him that it is happening all over due to these tough economic times. Advised the public to look after neighbors home when they are away and to report any suspicious activity.

He stated that the community art contest deadline is April 15th.

Announced that Councilman Moran is away but has been brought up to speed with tonight's agenda.

TOWN BOARD:

Councilwoman Zulauf reported that she attended the March 28th Fire Commissioners Meeting.

Councilman Barton reported that he attended the Women of Distinction event. Regarding the Highway Department, they have been making the facility more secure and recently did construction and landscaping around the Sheriff's Sub Station. Announced that the street sweeping is almost complete.

Councilman Mangeri reported that he attended the Town Infrastructure Meeting which was the 2nd one of 2012.

PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEMS & RESOLUTIONS:

There was no public comment this evening.

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 04:11:12-1 (61)

Re: Approval of Town Board Minutes

RESOLUTION NO. 04:11:12-2 (62)

Re: Proclaiming April 2012 Parkinson's Awareness Month in the Town of Beekman

RESOLUTION NO. 04:11:12-3 (63)

Re: To Amend Resolution No. 03:21:12-2 "To Appoint Volunteers onto Town of Beekman Committees"

RESOLUTION NO. 04:11:12-4 (64)

Re: To Authorize Concession Stand Services at Recreation Park

RESOLUTION NO. 04:11:12-5 (65)

Re: Introducing Local Law #1 of 2012 Regarding Flood Damage Prevention and Establishing a Public Hearing

RESOLUTION NO. 04:11:12-6 (66)

Re: Authorizing the Sale of Town of Beekman Office Supplies and Equipment

RESOLUTION NO. 04:11:12-7 (67)

Re: Authorizing a Performance Bond Release for the Gallagher Subdivision Project

RESOLUTION NO. 04:11:12-8 (68)

Re: Authorizing a Cash Bond Release for the Completion of the Beyer Drive Stormwater Pond

RESOLUTION NO. 04:11:12-9 (69)

Re: To Waive Building Permit and Planning Board Fees for the Ryan McElroy Children's Cancer Foundation

Supervisor Kennedy read a letter from the Secretary of the Ryan McElroy Children's Cancer Foundation

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RESOLUTION NO. 04:11:12-10 (70)

Re: Payment of Claims

OTHER BUSINESS:

Councilwoman Zulauf read a letter from Bill Novak about the ECHO Cottages. She also asked to have the Town Historian give a presentation on the Mill House in the near future. She asked the Town Board if they had given thought to the projects that were presented by Ron Evangelista regarding the Highway Improvements. Supervisor Kennedy stated that it will be put on the next Town Board Meeting Agenda to discuss which direction to take.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT:

Sean Johnston thanked Supervisor Kennedy and the Town Board for reading the letter regarding the Ryan McElroy Children's Cancer Foundation and passing the resolution to waive the building fees.

Len Jerrum, Beyer Drive had questions pertaining to the assessed value of his home and when grievance day is. In addition he asked to see the Budget Oversight Committee's report on the animal shelter.

GENERAL BOARD COMMENT:

There was no additional Board comment this evening.

ADJOURN:

At 8:54 pm, with no further business to conduct, Supervisor Kennedy adjourns meeting. Councilwoman Zulauf makes the motion, seconded by Councilman Barton. All in favor.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

RACHAEL RANCOURT

TOWN CLERK