

BEEKMAN TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING – APRIL 20, 2016

The Regular Meeting of the Beekman Town Board was called to order at 7:02PM with Supervisor Barbara Zulauf presiding. The Meeting was held in the meeting room at Town Hall.

THOSE PRESENT: SUPERVISOR BARBARA ZULAUF
COUNCILMAN MICHAEL DEL VECCHIO
COUNCILMAN WERNER STIEGLER
COUNCILMAN EZIO BATTAGLINI

Supervisor Barbara Zulauf 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. She made one administrative announcement regarding the location of fire exits.

REPORTS

Highway Superintendent, Tony Coviello, reported that the men have been very busy in the last few weeks. Several easements have been cleared out and road sweeping is completed. The Highway Department has been performing town wide tree clearing and hired a tree vendor with a bucket truck for the taller trees. The blacktop plant re-opened for the season last week and the men have been patching holes and repairing basins. Tony Coviello gave an update that the State postponed the closure of Route 55 until April 25th. In closing, Tony reported that the men constructed a walking path on Recreation Road. The materials were donated and the idea originated via a Girl Scout project.

PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEMS & RESOLUTIONS:

There was no public comment on the agenda this evening.

RESOLUTIONS:

**RESOLUTION NO. 04:20:16 – 1 (47)
RE: Approval of Past Town Board Minutes**

COUNCILMAN STIEGLER offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, Town Clerk Rachael Rancourt has provided copies of the minutes of the April 6, 2016 Town Board Meeting to all members of the Beekman Town Board; and

WHEREAS, Town Board members have had the opportunity to review said minutes; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Town Board hereby adopts the minutes of the April 6, 2016 Town Board Meeting.

Seconded COUNCILMAN DEL VECCHIO

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Stiegler AYE
Councilman Del Vecchio AYE
Councilman Battaglini AYE
Supervisor Zulauf AYE

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**RESOLUTION NO. 04:20:16 – 2 (48)
RE: Authorize Request for Proposal for Legal Services**

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COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town Board is desirous in obtaining bids for the provision of Legal Services to the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Request for Proposals (RFP) has been prepared and reviewed by the Town Board; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby authorize the Town Clerk to advertise and publish the attached RFP for Legal Services for the Town of Beekman.

Seconded SUPERVISOR ZULAUF

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Stiegler	AYE
Councilman Del Vecchio	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	AYE
Supervisor Zulauf	AYE

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RESOLUTION NO. 04:20:16 – 3 (49)
RE: Authorize Loan from General Fund to Highway Fund

SUPERVISOR ZULAUF offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, in December 2015, the Comptroller determined that there would not be sufficient funds in the Highway Department bank account to cover the anticipated expenses for the remainder for 2015 and beginning of 2016; and

WHEREAS, subsequently, two cash transfers took place on December 21, 2015 totaling \$117,000. \$32,000 was transferred from the General Fund to the Highway Fund to cover the anticipated December 2015 expenses and \$85,000 was transferred from the General Fund to the Highway Fund to cover the anticipated January and February 2016 expenses; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that a \$117,000 loan from the General Fund (A) to the Highway Fund (DA) be approved as follows:

DR A.0000.0391 - DUE FROM OTHER FUNDS (\$117,000)

CR A.0000.0200 – Cash (\$117,000)

DR DA.0000.0200 – Cash (\$117,000)

CR DA.0000.0630 - DUE TO OTHER FUNDS (\$117,000)

Seconded COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI & COUNCILMAN DEL VECCHIO

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Stiegler	AYE
Councilman Del Vecchio	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	AYE
Supervisor Zulauf	AYE

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RESOLUTION NO. 04:20:16 – 4 (50)
RE: Authorize Dutchess County Office of Aging Program

COUNCILMAN DEL VECCHIO offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town of Beekman Recreation Department offers programs for Senior Citizens to enjoy and learn about topics that pertain to them; and

WHEREAS, the Dutchess County Office of the Aging is offering a program called “A Matter of Balance”; and

WHEREAS, there is no fee for this program, but there is a suggested contribution of \$10.00; and

WHEREAS, this program is offered to all Senior Citizens of Dutchess County, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Dutchess County, in conjunction with Beekman Recreation, offer “A Matter of Balance” Program at the Community Center.

Seconded COUNCILMAN STIEGLER

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Stiegler	AYE
Councilman Del Vecchio	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	AYE
Supervisor Zulauf	AYE

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RESOLUTION NO. 04:20:16 – 5 (51)
RE: Payment of Claims

COUNCILMAN STIEGLER offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Comptroller has audited and approved claims pursuant to Sect. 119 of Town Law as set forth in the attached abstracts; be it

RESOLVED, that the payment, therefore, is hereby authorized as follows:

Claims to be paid from the A-General Fund	\$24,803.42
Claims to be paid from the DA-Highway Fund	\$10,343.28
Claims to be paid from the SS – Dover Ridge Sewer	\$ 2,886.49
Claims to be paid from the SW – Dover Ridge Water	<u>\$ 745.79</u>
	\$ 38,778.98

Payroll	8 4/21/16	Paid	\$64,522.12
General Fund	\$34,982.93		
Highway Fund	\$29,539.19		

Seconded COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Stiegler	AYE
Councilman Del Vecchio	AYE

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Councilman Battaglini AYE
Supervisor Zulauf AYE
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OTHER BUSINESS

**Other Town Board Business
RE: Authorize Music for Memorial Day**

COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town of Beekman holds a Memorial Day service and parade each year to remember, reflect and honor those veterans who have served our great nation; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor be and hereby is authorized to enter into a contract with the PUMC Wind Ensemble for their participation in our service on Monday, May 30, 2016 at a cost of \$250.00.

Seconded SUPERVISOR ZULAUF

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Stiegler AYE
Councilman Del Vecchio AYE
Councilman Battaglini AYE
Supervisor Zulauf AYE
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Councilman Battaglini requests the use of Town Hall parking lot to accommodate additional parking for a special security drill between the Fire Department, the Sheriff's Department and Arlington Central School. Supervisor Zulauf seconded, all in favor.

Supervisor Zulauf appointed Councilman Stiegler to be the liaison to the Highway Department which he accepted. Supervisor Zulauf also stated that the Fishing Derby last Saturday was a great success and thanked Suzanne Puma and Andrew Forman for organizing it. In closing, she read two thank you notes, one from Katrina Poon, the Girl Scout who had the idea to extend the Rec Park walking trail and the other was from Peter Maher who was recognized as Hudson Valley's business man of the year.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Len Jerrum, Beyer Drive, questioned the rates regarding the new Ambulance provider in Town. Councilman Battaglini answered that the rates will remain the same. Len announced the Fire House spaghetti dinner is on April 29, 2016 from 6:00PM to 9:00PM.

GENERAL BOARD COMMENT

Councilman Del Vecchio announced the Beekman Athletic Club Opening Ceremony is scheduled to take place this Saturday at 9AM. The Town Board cleaned the roads on April 9, 2016. There was quite a bit of garbage this time around. Councilman Del Vecchio reminded the residents to take advantage of the Early Bird prices for Recreation programs up through May 1, 2016. In closing, he thanked all the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts that complete projects throughout our Town.

Councilman Battaglini made two announcements pertaining to the Fire Department. This Saturday they will conduct a live fire training at the East Fishkill training facility and Sunday is recruit New York day so they are holding an open house for anyone who may be interested in joining.

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At 7:30PM, we moved to a brief recess to await the arrival of Senator Terrance Murphy to Recognize Emil Preuss into the Veterans Hall of Fame.

At 7:39PM, the meeting reconvened with the Recognition of Emil Preuss by Senator Terrance Murphy into the Veterans Hall of Fame. Unfortunately, Emil was unable to attend the meeting due to health related issues so his daughter Debbie was present to accept on Emil's behalf.

Supervisor Zulauf announced the next meeting of the Beekman Town Board is Wednesday, May 4, at 7:00PM.

ADJOURN:

At 7:58PM with no further business to conduct, Councilman Del Vecchio made the motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Councilman Battaglini. All in Favor.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

RACHAEL RANCOURT
TOWN CLERK