

BEEKMAN TOWN BOARD – REGULAR MEETING – August 20, 2014

The Regular Meeting of the Beekman Town Board was called to order at 7:00PM with Supervisor Barbara Zulauf presiding. The Meeting was held in the meeting room at Town Hall.

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

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.

RECOGNITIONS:

Viraj Kumar & Youth for Restoration: Supervisor Zulauf recognized Viraj Kumar and the members of Youth for Restoration for all their hard work and efforts at the Mill House. She briefly spoke about what they had accomplished over the past two weekends and presented him with Certificates of Appreciation on behalf of the Town. Viraj Kumar stated that the Youth for Restoration group sorted and cleaned the artifacts, thoroughly cleaned the second floor, assembled shelving to display the artifacts and did some landscaping on the exterior property.

Michael Polera – Eagle Scout Project – Gazebo: Supervisor Zulauf recognized Michael Polera for his Eagle Scout Project, construction of a gazebo at the Dog Park. She congratulated him on this accomplishment and presented him with a Certificate of Appreciation. Michael thanked Tony and the Highway Department for allowing him to construct the gazebo inside the garage, and he thanked all the Town Board Members for allowing him to do this.

Supervisor Zulauf also recognized two other Eagle Scouts who were not present this evening. Ryan Haight for his Eagle Scout Project, replaced the Mill House doors & shutters. Jared Oswald for his Eagle Scout Project, replaced the stone foundation and repaired the roof at the water spring on Recreation Road.

REPORTS:

COMPTROLLER REPORT

Comptroller, Andrew Forman gave an overview on the General Fund revenues and expenses for 2014 thus far. He announced that we are projected to come in short on the revenue line this year due to some extremely aggressive budgeted incomes for building permit fees and mortgage tax. Andrew announced that he will go over the Highway Fund revenues and expenses at the next meeting. He then opened up the floor to questions. Len Jerrum, Beyer Drive, asked if there would be a tax increase this year. Andrew was unable to predict that this early.

PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEMS & RESOLUTIONS:

There was no public comment this evening.

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 08:20:14 – 1 (136) 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 August 6, 2014 Town Board Meeting to all members of the Beekman Town Board; and

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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 August 6, 2014 Town Board Meeting.

Seconded COUNCILMAN DEL VECCHIO

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

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RESOLUTION NO. 08:20:14 – 2 (137)

RE: Appointment to the Recreation Commission

COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town Board will make appointments to the various boards; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby makes the following appointments to be effective immediately:

Recreation Commission: Thomas Mullins Term to expire 12/31/18

RESOLVED, that all appointments are contingent upon completion and submissions of the new Disclosure of Interest Statement pursuant to Chapter 19, Section 19-9 of Town Code unless already on file and information has not changed; and be it further

RESOLVED, that all appointees shall file their Oath of Office with the Town Clerk of the Town of Beekman prior to serving their term

Seconded SUPERVISOR ZULAUF

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

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RESOLUTION NO. 08:20:14 – 3 (138)

RE: Appoint Media Spokesman

SUPERVISOR ZULAUF offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, there are Town Hall related events and actions that occur from time to time and:

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WHEREAS, the social media will need to be updated with the details of these events; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to be the media “Spokesperson” for these Town Hall events and update the social media as needed.

Seconded COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

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RESOLUTION NO. 08:20:14 – 4 (139)

RE: Authorize Donations of Lost and Found Items for Recreation

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

WHEREAS, children leave belongings behind after recreation programs; and

WHEREAS, the Recreation Department has collected many items such as clothes and a bicycle; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Recreation Director is authorized to donate items at the end of the camp season to a good cause; and be it further

RESOLVED, that donations after the summer season will take place every thirty (30) days.

Seconded SUPERVISOR ZULAUF

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

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RESOLUTION NO. 08:20:14 – 5 (140)

RE: Adoption to Amend Local Law Chapter 19 Section 19-9 Required Disclosure of Interest

COUNCILMAN MORAN offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on August 6, 2014 before the Town Board for the Disclosure of Interest Form for the Board of Ethics; and

WHEREAS, no comments were received at the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, no written public comments were received within the allotted time period to the Town Clerk; and

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WHEREAS, the Town Board has had time to review the document; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the attached revised Disclosure of Interest Form be added to the Beekman Personnel Manual; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Local Law be filed immediately in the offices of the Beekman Town Clerk and the New York Secretary of State.

Seconded COUNCILMAN DEL VECCHIO

*****Councilman Battaglini made a motion to amend the disclosure of interest statement, on the first page in the Confidentiality paragraph, change the word moral to ethical. Councilman Moran seconded.*****

ROLL CALL VOTE: AS AMENDED

Councilman Moran AYE

Councilman Stiegler AYE

Councilman Del Vecchio AYE

Councilman Battaglini AYE

Supervisor Zulauf AYE

Dated: August 20, 2014

RESOLUTION NO. 08:20:14 – 6 (141)

RE: Accept Abandoned Properties

COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly held on August 6, 2014 before the Town Board to accept abandoned properties in the Town of Beekman; and

WHEREAS, no comments were received at the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, no written comments were received within the allotted time period to the Town Clerk; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town of Beekman authorize Town Departments to bring the following properties into compliance with the Town Code of abandoned properties as noted in Chapter 14:

294 Greenhaven Road Andersen , Lynne 6658-00-829462
19 Main Street Bank of New York Mellon 6758-02-852700
15 Short Court HSBC Bank USA National Assn 6758-00-117093
77 Beyer Drive Thompson , James and Carol 6858-00-211867
770 Route 216 Harrison , Ethan S 6757-05-192953
11 Martin Road Doyle , Thomas P 6658-02-818743

Seconded SUPERVISOR ZULAUF

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Moran AYE

Councilman Stiegler NO

Councilman Del Vecchio AYE

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Councilman Battaglini AYE

Supervisor Zulauf AYE

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RESOLUTION NO. 08:20:14 – 7 (142)

RE: Nominating Chris D’Angelo to Veterans Hall of Fame

COUNCILMAN STIEGLER offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town of Beekman was asked to nominate a member of the community to the Veterans Hall of Fame for New York State Senate’s 40th District; and

WHEREAS, Chris D’Angelo has served in the United States Air Force for 21 years, served in the U.S. Army National Guard, worked as a Corrections Officer at Sing Sing and Greenhaven Prisons, Served as a NYS State Trooper, Served in Operation Desert Storm, and is currently serving in Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, Chris has received the Southwest Asia Service Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Service Medal, the Air Force Meritorious Service Medal, the Air Force Commendation Medal and the NATO Medal; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board is desirous in nominating Chris D’Angelo to the Veteran’s Hall of Fame; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board nominates Chris D’Angelo to the Veteran’s Hall of Fame for New York State Senates 40th District.

Seconded COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Moran AYE

Councilman Stiegler AYE

Councilman Del Vecchio AYE

Councilman Battaglini AYE

Supervisor Zulauf AYE

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RESOLUTION NO. 08:20:14 – 8 (143)

RE: Amend Credit Card Company for Collection of Recreation Fees

SUPERVISOR ZULAUF offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, Recreation Program fees can be collected by way of credit card; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for better efficiency for collecting these fees; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor be authorized to enter into an agreement with “Government Portal,” a credit card processing company, for the collection of Recreation fees thorough credit cards.

Seconded COUNCILMAN STIEGLER

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Moran AYE

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\$52,314.15

Payroll 16

Paid 8/14/14 \$ 80,133.13

General Fund \$60,275.89

Highway Fund \$19,857.24

Seconded SUPERVISOR ZULAUF

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Moran AYE

Councilman Stiegler AYE

Councilman Del Vecchio AYE

Councilman Battaglini AYE

Supervisor Zulauf AYE

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OTHER BUSINESS:

Supervisor Zulauf stated that we will have the NYS Comptroller's Office performing their audit beginning tomorrow through the month of September.

The Supervisor mentioned that there is an open position available on the Recreation Commission, if anyone is interested please contact the Secretary to the Supervisor, Pam, for more information.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT:

Len Jerrum, Beyer Drive, reported that he attended the Dutchess County Department of Aging Picnic today at Freedom Park, which was very well attended. He announced a Salute to Veterans hosted by Terry Gipson at the Ramada Inn in Fishkill on September 26th from 9-12.

GENERAL BOARD COMMENT:

Councilman Del Vecchio commented on how the Ice Bucket Challenge has raised a tremendous amount of money for ALS research and asked the public to keep the momentum going.

Supervisor Zulauf made the following announcements: September 6th at 11am, Road dedication Ceremony to Kenny Mallen at the Beekman Fire House, September 11th at 7pm, 9/11 Memorial Ceremony at the 9/11 Memorial Park and September 18th at 11am, Senior Picnic at the Community Center.

ADJOURN:

At 7:47PM with no further business to conduct Councilman Battaglini made the motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Councilman Moran. All in favor.

Next meeting is September 3, 2014 at 7:00pm.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

RACHAEL RANCOURT
TOWN CLERK