

BEEKMAN TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING – NOVEMBER 2, 2016

The Regular Meeting of the Beekman Town Board was called to order at 7:09PM with Supervisor Barbara Zulauf presiding. The Meeting was held in the meeting room at Town Hall.

THOSE PRESENT: SUPERVISOR BARBARA ZULAUF
 COUNCILMAN EZIO BATTAGLINI
 COUNCILWOMAN MARY COVUCCI
 COUNCILMAN MICHAEL DEL VECCHIO
ABSENT: COUNCILMAN WERNER STIEGLER

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.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

7:00PM – Preliminary Budget – Supervisor Zulauf opened this public hearing at 7:10PM giving the public an opportunity to speak. There was no public comment this evening. Councilman Del Vecchio made the motion to close the public hearing at 7:11PM, seconded by Supervisor Zulauf.

7:10PM – Dover Ridge Water and Sewer Rate Increase – Supervisor Zulauf opened this public hearing at 7:11PM. She described the increased amounts and opened it up to public comment. Three residents of the Dover Ridge District spoke about their frustration with not receiving a notice via mail of this public hearing and increase. Councilman Del Vecchio made the motion to close the public hearing at 7:27PM, seconded by Supervisor Zulauf.

7:20PM – Dover Ridge Water and Sewer Assessment Roll 2016 – Supervisor Zulauf opened this public hearing at 7:28PM. There was no public comment this evening. Councilman Del Vecchio made the motion to close the hearing at 7:28PM, seconded by Supervisor Zulauf.

7:30PM – Override Tax Levy – Supervisor Zulauf cancelled this hearing as it became unnecessary to override the tax levy.

PRESENTATION

Pollinator Protection Plan by Deb Jarry – Deb Jarry gave a slideshow presentation on the importance of bees and pollination and ways we can assist as a community to protect the bees. She is requesting the assistance of the Town Board to pass a resolution to ban using pesticides on Town of Beekman properties.

Marc Coviello, Dutchess County Legislator – Legislator Coviello advised that the County Executive presented the 2017 Tentative Budget. Some of the highlights are a property tax levy reduction, \$15 million dollar infrastructure improvement budget and expanding the think differently initiative. Over the next couple of weeks the Legislature will meet to discuss this budget. Legislator Coviello also mentioned that at the last meeting several residents requested No Parking signs placed on certain County Roads affected by the Barton Orchard traffic. He stated that the County will grant permission to the Town Highway Department to put No Parking signs on those County Roads.

Supervisor Zulauf stated that we have Land Use Attorney, John Wirth, with us this evening to answer questions pertaining to the Ashby Hills residents from the last meeting. He spoke to the residents and answered questions and advised them that he will keep them updated with any progress with this case. Supervisor Zulauf announced that Councilman Del Vecchio will be the liaison to the Ashby Hills residents.

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PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEMS & RESOLUTIONS:

There was no public comment this evening.

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 11:02:16 – 1 (147)
RE: Approval of Past Town Board Minutes

COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, Town Clerk Rachael Rancourt has provided copies of the minutes of the October 19, 2016 Town Board Meeting and the October 26, 2016 Special 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 October 19, 2016 Town Board Meeting and the October 26, 2016 Special Town Board Meeting.

Seconded SUPERVISOR ZULAUF

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Covucci	AYE
Councilman Stiegler	ABSENT
Councilman Del Vecchio	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	AYE
Supervisor Zulauf	AYE

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RESOLUTION NO. 11:02:16 – 2 (148)
RE: Authorize Town Clerk to Advertise a Request for Bids for Scrap Metal

SUPERVISOR ZULAUF offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town held its annual Clean-Up Day on October 22, 2016, and has received a sizeable volume of old equipment and materials that need to be disposed of; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent has recommended that these materials be sold for scrap, as the materials cannot be used by the Highway Department; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Town Clerk to advertise a request for bids for the sale and removal of scrap metal located at the Beekman Highway Department.

Seconded COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Covucci	AYE
Councilman Stiegler	ABSENT
Councilman Del Vecchio	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	AYE
Supervisor Zulauf	AYE

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RESOLUTION NO. 11:02:16 – 3 (149)

RE: Request Action from Dutchess County Department of Public Works for Beekman Poughquag Road

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

WHEREAS, Beekman Poughquag Road is currently being used for roadside parking for people attending events at Barton Orchards during the months of September and October; and

WHEREAS, parking along the roadside of Beekman Poughquag Road presents safety concerns for passing vehicles, pedestrians and residents of the neighboring communities, and it is also a serious impediment to emergency responders; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman does hereby request and recommend that the Dutchess County Department of Public Works, Highway Division, ban roadside parking, and post the required “No Parking” signage along Beekman Poughquag Road; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution, duly certified, shall be delivered by the Town Clerk forthwith, to the Dutchess County Department of Public Works, Highway Division.

Seconded SUPERVISOR ZULAUF

*****Friendly amendment was added to the first WHEREAS paragraph to include “and other events as they occur” and the first RESOLVED paragraph to include “Recreation Road and the intersection of Beekman Road and Beekman-Poughquag Road.” All in favor.**

ROLL CALL VOTE AS AMENDED:

Councilwoman Covucci	AYE
Councilman Stiegler	ABSENT
Councilman Del Vecchio	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	AYE
Supervisor Zulauf	AYE

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RESOLUTION NO. 11:02:16 – 4 (150)

RE: Approve Renewal of Dutchess County SPCA Contract

COUNCILWOMAN COVUCCI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town of Beekman requires a location to house, shelter, and care for stray and lost dogs, which service is now performed by Dutchess County SPCA; and

WHEREAS, Dutchess County SPCA has submitted a proposal for the renewal of said services, for the coming calendar year, which proposal the Board finds to be reasonable; and

WHEREAS, the Town Attorney has reviewed the agreement with the Dutchess County SPCA; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Supervisor to enter into an agreement, as attached, with Dutchess County SPCA to house, shelter, and care for stray dogs in the Town of Beekman.

Seconded COUNCILMAN DEL VECCHIO

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ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Covucci AYE
Councilman Stiegler ABSENT
Councilman Del Vecchio AYE
Councilman Battaglini AYE
Supervisor Zulauf AYE
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RESOLUTION NO. 11:02:16 – 5 (151)
RE: Waiving the Review Fee and Escrow For
Beekman Elementary School Water Service

COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 128-4 of the Town Code requires that all development activities comply with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System by filing with the Town a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan; and

WHEREAS, in order to insure compliance the Town charges a fee of \$750 in addition to an escrow for regular inspections; and

WHEREAS, Arlington Central School District has engaged the Dutchess County Water and Wastewater Authority to construct a water supply to the Beekman Elementary School to provide the school with an alternate water supply; and

WHEREAS, the Town has worked in a cooperative manner with the Dutchess County Water and Wastewater authority to bring clean drinking water to its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Dutchess County Water and Wastewater Authority has engaged a professional engineer to prepare the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan and a professional construction administrator for the construction of the water line; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that the installation of the waterline to the Beekman Elementary School is in the best interest of the residents of the Town of Beekman and serves a public purpose; and

WHEREAS, in a spirit of cooperation the Town is desirous of waiving the review fee and the escrow for the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan with the understanding that the Dutchess County Waste Water Authority will hire a Professional Engineer to prepare same; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman hereby waives the review fee and required escrow for the installation of a waterline to the Beekman Elementary School by the Dutchess County Water and Wastewater Authority; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Authority shall submit the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) stamped by a professional engineer to the Town Engineer prior to construction.

Seconded SUPERVISOR ZULAUF

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Covucci AYE
Councilman Stiegler ABSENT

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Councilman Del Vecchio AYE
Councilman Battaglini AYE
Supervisor Zulauf AYE

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RESOLUTION NO. 11:02:16 – 6 (152)

RE: Appoint Bookkeeper

SUPERVISOR ZULAUF offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the position of Bookkeeper is open due to the resignation of Nicole Scaramuzzo; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board is authorized under Town Law to make appointments and set salaries; and

WHEREAS, the position of Bookkeeper is a Civil Service position; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Beekman has followed Civil Service Guidelines and offered the position to an eligible candidate as per the Civil Service List; and

WHEREAS, interviews were conducted by the Town Board members and Comptroller, Andrew Forman; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman appoint Lorraine Anderson, the position of Hourly Bookkeeper at an hourly rate of \$16.00; hours not to exceed 25 hours per week and be it further

RESOLVED, that this appointment is contingent upon completion and submission of the Disclosure of Interest Statement pursuant to Chapter 19 Section 19-9 of Town Code, unless already on file and the information has not changed, passing of a drug test, passing of a physical test, and completion of a background check; 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 COUNCILMAN DEL VECCHIO

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Covucci AYE
Councilman Stiegler ABSENT
Councilman Del Vecchio AYE
Councilman Battaglini AYE
Supervisor Zulauf AYE

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RESOLUTION NO. 11:02:16 – 7 (153)

RE: Authorize Telephone Service from Frontier to Comcast at Recreation Center

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

WHEREAS, the Recreation Area on Recreation Center Road is currently being serviced by Frontier Communications for telephone service to the Beach Office, Camp Office, Gatehouse and Community Center; and

WHEREAS, the switch to Comcast in the Recreation Area on Recreation Center Road will make all town offices consistent with the use of Comcast telephone services, now therefore be it

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RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Comcast as attached.

Seconded SUPERVISOR ZULAUF

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Covucci AYE
Councilman Stiegler ABSENT
Councilman Del Vecchio AYE
Councilman Battaglini AYE
Supervisor Zulauf AYE

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**RESOLUTION NO. 11:02:16 – 8 (154)
RE: Award Bid for Tree Work**

COUNCILWOMAN COVUCCI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, authorization was given to the Town Clerk to advertise for tree work for 2017; and

WHEREAS, two bids for the tree work were received, opened and read publicly on October 17, 2016 at 10:00 am; and

WHEREAS, the bids have been reviewed by the Highway Superintendent and the Town Clerk, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the bid is hereby awarded to Savatree as recommended by the Highway Superintendent as attached hereto.

Seconded COUNCILMAN DEL VECCHIO

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Covucci AYE
Councilman Stiegler ABSENT
Councilman Del Vecchio AYE
Councilman Battaglini AYE
Supervisor Zulauf AYE

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**RESOLUTION NO. 11:02:16 – 9 (155)
RE: Payment of Claims**

COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI 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	\$ 94,757.54
Claims to be paid from the DA-Highway Fund	\$ 22,715.50
Claims to be paid from the SS – Dover Ridge Sewer District Fund	\$ 1,361.55
Claims to be paid from the SW – Dover Ridge Water District Fund	\$ 1,538.10
Claims to be paid from the T-Trust & Agency Fund	<u>\$ 581.25</u>

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\$120,953.94

Payroll	22
	Paid \$ 58,729.30
General Fund	\$ 35,783.13
Highway Fund	\$ 22,946.17

Seconded SUPERVISOR ZULAUF

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Covucci	AYE
Councilman Stiegler	ABSENT
Councilman Del Vecchio	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	AYE
Supervisor Zulauf	AYE

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OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business this evening.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Len Jerrum, Beyer Drive, reminded the public that Tuesday, November 8, 2016 is Election Day and make sure to vote.

Mary Bronzi, questioned if the residents who live on private roads affected by the Barton Orchard traffic would be able to post no parking signs also? Supervisor Zulauf stated they would have to talk to their HOA's.

GENERAL BOARD COMMENT

Councilman Del Vecchio mentioned that the Town Board held road clean up last Saturday and surprisingly there was not a lot of debris this time around. He also mentioned that the Arlington Central School District is sending out a survey pertaining to the partial veteran's exemption and will hold a public hearing on November 29, 2016 at the school district headquarters.

Supervisor Zulauf announced the next regularly scheduled Town Board meeting is Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at 7:00PM.

ADJOURN:

At 8:57M with no further business to conduct, Councilman Del Vecchio made the motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Supervisor Zul. All in Favor.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

RACHAEL RANCOURT
TOWN CLERK