

**BEEKMAN TOWN BOARD – REGULAR MEETING – January 4, 2012**

The Regular Meeting of the Beekman Town Board was called to order at 7:32 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 MICHAEL MORAN  
COUNCILMAN RON MANGERI  
COUNCILWOMAN BARBARA ZULAUF

ALSO PRESENT: DAVID SEARS – ATTORNEY TO TOWN

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.

REPORTS:

SUPERVISOR:

Supervisor Kennedy began by introducing the newly elected candidates, Michael Moran as Councilman and Rachael Rancourt as Town Clerk. Congratulated Councilwoman Zulauf on her re-election, Robert Ferris – Town Justice, John Garito – Town Justice, and Gerry Hutchings – County Legislator. Made mention of the Swearing in Ceremony that took place on January 1<sup>st</sup>, roughly 150 people in attendance including our Town Councilmen Peter Barton and Ron Mangeri. Commented on the beautiful speech from his children.

Supervisor Kennedy states that with this new year it presents an opportunity for a fresh start, and he will appreciate all members of Town Board. We will cast aside confrontation and work together and have common decency and respect for each other. Recognized outgoing Supervisor Dan French for his term and congratulated him on his engagement. Recognized Tom Kinsley for his dedicated service during his term. Met with many people from Town Committees over the last month and conducted several interviews for various positions.

Supervisor Kennedy appointed Peter Barton as Deputy Supervisor, Mike Moran as liaison to the Recreation Commission, Barbara Zulauf as liaison to the Fire District, also asked her to continue pursuing funds for the Highway Improvement Project that were allocated several years ago. Ron Mangeri was asked to be the liaison to the Dalton Farms Homeowners Association and the Dover Ridge Water / Sewer Districts. Supervisor Kennedy will be the liaison to the Town Center Infrastructure Committee. Made the announcement that Dick Usewicz will serve as the Interim Highway Superintendent until the Election results are finalized. Advises the public about the many openings within Town Committees and would like to also form a “Beekman Spirit Committee” to organize various activities such as: Town Field Day, Spelling Bee, Geography Bee, and Baking Contests. Supervisor Kennedy states that he will begin his term with an open mind, hopeful spirit and a strong work ethic.

Town Attorney, David Sears makes a brief summary regarding the Highway Superintendent Election results. The case left the Supreme Court and is now in the Appellate Division. Tony Coviello was appointed to fill a prior term which ended on December 31, 2011. There is no carryover for 2012, the Deputy Highway Superintendent, Dick Usewicz will fill in and will work with the Town Board until the Election results are resolved.

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TOWN BOARD:

Councilwoman Zulauf reported that she attended the swearing in Ceremony and looks forward to working with the new Officials as well as those currently serving. Announced that the Zoning Advisory Committee will have a meeting on January 17, 2012 and there is one opening on that committee.

Councilman Barton advised that the new Highway truck has been delivered; it was purchased a year ago. Very unique truck, computerized, tier 4 emission controls, stainless steel body. This truck will service the Depot Hill Area. Also stated that the brush removal project was very successful. The process started on November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011 and finished on December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

Councilman Mangeri looks forward to receiving new Street Sweeper.

Councilman Moran states he is honored to be the Recreation liaison.

TOWN COMPTROLLER'S FINANCIAL REPORT:

Comptroller Fred Knapp submitted a spreadsheet outlining the 2011 projected financial activities. He stated he will have more firm numbers at the next meeting or the very beginning of February.

TOWN CLERK RACHAEL RANCOURT appoints Melissa McAlley as Deputy Town Clerk.

PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEMS & RESOLUTIONS:

There was no public comment this evening.

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 01:04:12-1

Re: Approval of Town Board Minutes

RESOLUTION NO. 01:04:12-2

Re: Appointment of Accounting Consultant

RESOLUTION NO. 01:04:12-3

Re: Appointment of Engineer to the Town of Beekman

RESOLUTION NO. 01:04:12-4

Re: Appointment of Alternate Engineer to the Town of Beekman

RESOLUTION NO. 01:04:12-5

Re: Appointment of the Registrar & Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics

RESOLUTION NO. 01:04:12-6

Re: Appointment of the Town Comptroller

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RESOLUTION NO. 01:04:12-7

Re: Appointment of the Legislative Aide

RESOLUTION NO. 01:04:12-8

Re: Appointment of Town Historian

RESOLUTION NO. 01:04:12-9

Re: Town Board Meeting Schedule

RESOLUTION NO. 01:04:12-10

Re: Town of Beekman Office Hours & Inclement Weather Policy

RESOLUTION NO. 01:04:12-11

Re: Newspaper Designation and Public Notices

RESOLUTION NO. 01:04:12-12

Re: Designation of Depositories

RESOLUTION NO. 01:04:12-13

Re: Signature Authorization on Depository Accounts

RESOLUTION NO. 01:04:12-14

Re: Mileage Compensation

RESOLUTION NO. 01:04:12-15

Re: Association of Towns-Naming of Delegate & Alternate

RESOLUTION NO. 01:04:12-16

Re: To Enter into an Agreement for the Operation and Maintenance of Dover Ridge Estates Water and Sewer System

RESOLUTION NO. 01:04:12-17

Re: Payment of Claims

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

RESOLUTION NO. 01:04:12-18

Re: Appointment of Town Prosecutor

Councilman Mangeri questions where we stand with the Highway Facility Money that Councilwoman Zulauf has been pursuing. Councilwoman Zulauf is in the process of setting up a meeting with the County. Councilman Mangeri asks to have County Legislator Gerald Hutchings come to the January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Town Board Meeting to assist in the election chargeback issue.

Town Engineer, Ron Evangelista, proposed a resolution regarding the Town Center Park Pavilion project. Town Attorney, David Sears will look into further.

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Judith Crawford, Receiver of Taxes, advises the public tax bills are going out next week. She also wanted to make mention that one of our town residents, Hilde Littauer, is turning 101 on January 14, 2012. She is wondering if there is anything we can do to recognize this special milestone.

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Eugene Wright, Member of the Budget Oversight Committee, states a concern he has with the Town Park Pavilion project.

GENERAL BOARD COMMENT:

There was no general board comment this evening.

Supervisor Kennedy announces the next Town Board Meeting is January 25, 2012 at 6:30PM. Also states that Frank Marchese & Thom Usher invite you to a Fireside Chat on February 19, 2012.

ADJOURN:

At 9:40PM, 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