

BEEKMAN TOWN BOARD – REGULAR MEETING – January 25, 2012

The Regular Meeting of the Beekman Town Board was called to order at 7:38 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 reported that he and Councilman Moran met with Contractor, Bob Palombo, regarding the TCP Pavilion and getting the issues resolved to get the best possible result. He was involved with several interviews and filled some board and committee positions. He played Bingo with the seniors at the Recreation Center. Acknowledged the receipt of the Street Sweeper and new Highway Truck, which has minor issues that will be addressed in a few weeks' time. Attended the Fire Department Installation Ceremony on January 14th, where they honored Dave Wysocki for his 30 years of service. Supervisor Kennedy has invited Dave Wysocki to the next Town Board Meeting. Commented on the Building and Zoning violation letters that have been mailed out asking residents not to ignore these notices but to call the Town to discuss. Made a brief note that the Highway Superintendent race hasn't been decided yet, Dick Usewicz is handling the Highway Department.

Supervisor Kennedy gives sincerest condolences to Highway employee, Kevin Cooper, who lost his son. Our thoughts and prayers are with him and his entire family.

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Councilwoman Zulauf reported that she attended the January 11th Fire Commissioners meeting. They discussed the solar panel project that is near completion, they made their 4th payment and have 2 more to go. On January 18th she met with Ron Evangelista, Gerry Hutchings, and Fred Knapp regarding the highway expansion project. On January 17th Councilwoman Zulauf met with the Zoning Advisory Committee and distributed information to Town Board members. She also conducted interviews for various positions. This morning she attended the Poughkeepsie Dutchess County Transportation Council meeting.

Councilman Barton commented on the highway regarding storms being light this year. Highway Department acquired the Street Sweeper and new Truck. Some minor adjustments need to be made to the Truck; Front Rims, never received computer keyboard, Plow delivered was the wrong size. Made mention that at the February 19th Roosevelt Fireside Chat there would be a celebration for one of our residents who recently turned 101.

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Councilman Mangeri wanted to make some corrections to the January 4th Town Board meeting; he will serve as the liaison to the Town Center Infrastructure Committee, the Dalton Farms Homeowners Association, and the Dog Park Implementation Committee. He met with Town Departments to discuss several projects. He also conducted interviews for committee members. Thanked Dick Usewicz for his help with the Highway Department.

Councilman Moran advised the public about the recreation updates. They are in need of two more board members and they have resurrected the bi-laws from a few years ago and are currently reviewing said bi-laws.

COUNTY LEGISLATURE REPORT & QUESTIONS:

County Legislator, Gerry Hutchings spoke about the apportionment of the election costs, prior to 2010 the County was handling the costs. For the 2011 fiscal year the individual Towns were responsible for these costs based upon the number of machines used and number of registered voters. Beekman actually came out cheaper per voter. They authorized a levy for 2011 election chargebacks but it was never implemented and the money was taken from the Town's Quarterly Sales Tax check. We experienced a shortfall in our budget. There was a discussion about our 2012 budget; Legislator Hutchings will get back to us on that.

Legislator Hutchings gave an update on the status of the Dutchess County Resource Recovery Agency. He stated that the County Executive filled the position of Coordinator and also hired Ron Hicks to fill the position of Deputy Commissioner. He made mention that DEC has requested better communication with this Agency and has extended their license which was set to expire by the end of 2011.

PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEMS & RESOLUTIONS:

There was no public comment this evening.

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 01:25:12-1 (19)

Re: Approval of Town Board Minutes

RESOLUTION NO. 01:25:12-2 (20)

Re: To Nominate Phyllis Hughes to the NYS 40th Senate District "Women of Distinction"

RESOLUTION NO. 01:25:12-3 (21)

Re: To Create the Beekman Spirit Committee

RESOLUTION NO. 01:25:12-4 (22)

Re: To Appoint Volunteers to Serve on Town of Beekman Committees

RESOLUTION NO. 01:25:12-5 (23)

Re: Amending Resolution No. 01:25:12-9 "Town Board Meeting Schedule"

RESOLUTION NO. 01:25:12-6 (24)

Re: Acceptance of 2012 YDDP Grant

RESOLUTION NO. 01:25:12-7 (25)

Re: Adoption of a New Inclement Weather Policy

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RESOLUTION NO. 01:25:12-8 (26)

Re: To Amend Resolution No. 12:07:11-5 “Salary & Wage Schedule for the 2012 Fiscal Year”

RESOLUTION NO. 01:25:12-9 (27)

Re: To Submit a Damage Claim to the New York Environmental Protection and Spill Compensation Fund

RESOLUTION NO. 11:16:11 -10

Re: Authorizing a Performance Bond Reduction for Beekman Chase

RESOLUTION NO. 01:25:12-11 (29)

Re: Town Center Park Recreation Building & Pavilion Project Contract Changes

RESOLUTION NO. 01:25:12-12 (30)

Re: To Approve Change Order Requests for the Construction of the Town Center Park Pavilion and Recreation Building

RESOLUTION NO. 01:25:12-13 (31)

Re: Payment of Claims

OTHER BUSINESS:

Councilman Mangeri thanked the Dog Park Implementation Committee for their cost analysis presentation of constructing a Dog Park at the Doherty Park facility. In the future, when we are in a better fiscal situation, he would like to look further into this project.

Attorney, David A. Sears requests Councilman Mangeri to file said presentation with the Town Clerk for public record. Councilman Mangeri makes a motion to make this presentation public and gives to Town Clerk to file.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT:

John Donnelly, Chairman of the Recreation Commission, states that the Town may want to look into sponsorships for the Dog Park to help with the cost of construction. Thanked Supervisor Kennedy for inquiring about a Damage Claim that can be submitted to the New York Environmental Protection and Spill Compensation Fund. Commented on the TCP Pavilion project stating the longer we put it off, the more it will cost and thanked the Board for moving forward.

GENERAL BOARD COMMENT:

Supervisor Kennedy clarifies the Resolution about the New York Environmental Protection and Spill Compensation Fund stating that our Town incurred additional costs with the construction of the TCP Pavilion due to an oil spill. This Fund is established to offer compensation and he looks forward to submitting the claim.

ADJOURN:

At 9:27PM, with no further business to conduct, Supervisor Kennedy adjourns meeting. Councilwoman Zulauf makes the motion, seconded by Councilman Mangeri. All in favor.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

RACHAEL RANCOURT

TOWN CLERK

