

BEEKMAN TOWN BOARD – REGULAR MEETING – APRIL 2, 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

ABSENT: 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.

Librarian Report:

Executive Director, Carol Rodriguez, summarized the libraries activities over the last year. They tracked 67,000 visits to their website; more and more people are taking advantage of their online resources. They made some technology upgrades and replaced the 2004 computers. Many residents, who don't have access at home, rely on the Library's computers. Carol described some of the programs the Library has to offer including, gardening, raising chickens, meditation & yoga, homework helpers and teen geek. The Library is continuing to look for funding and they would like to expand their digital services. In closing, she distributed the Annual Report and the Spring 2014 newsletter.

David Herbowy from Tectonic Engineering was present this evening to discuss the Verizon Tower proposal. He distributed a site plan and gave a brief description of the project. The proposed site is located behind the DPW building. The tower would be 140' tall and accommodate up to 3 additional carriers. A 12 x 36 equipment building would also be constructed on the site. David opened up the presentation to questions. Several Board members and members of the audience asked questions. The Supervisor thanked David for his presentation and stated if they have questions they will be in touch with him.

REPORTS:

SUPERVISOR:

The Supervisor had a meeting at the Dover Ridge Water treatment facility to discuss the necessary updates and installation of a generator. She has begun contract negotiations with the CSEA; the next meeting is scheduled for the end of April. The Teamsters negotiations will begin within the next few weeks. The Supervisor and Town Engineer met at TCP to discuss the kitchen concession items that are needed. The Town was awarded a \$50,000 grant for this project. She announced that the Town Board will have their road clean up on May 10th and she encouraged residents to pick up debris on their own roads also. She attended the Poughkeepsie Dutchess County Transportation meeting where they had discussions for improvements but nothing pertaining to Beekman. In closing, the Supervisor attended the monthly Supervisor & Mayors meeting where they discussed the newly adopted Governors budget and the proposed tax cap and also the Shared Services Program.

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Councilman Stiegler reported that the Maintenance Department are working on the ball fields and are hoping to have the fields open by Monday. There is a need to improve security to our parks due to issues with vehicles driving on them tearing up the turf.

Councilman Battaglini attended the Fire Commissioners meeting last Wednesday where they discussed business as usual. The New York State Department of Corrections is talking about turning over the Reservoir to the Town. He will keep us up to date on the status of those communications. Councilman Battaglini attended the MS4 Meeting with Town Engineer, Dan Koehler. He reminded the public that we are in a burn ban until May 15th.

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Councilman Del Vecchio made mention that the individuals who are vandalizing our Parks will be caught and prosecuted. He urged residents if they see something suspicious to report it to the authorities immediately. He reported that the Recreation Director, Jeanne Scigliano met with the Arlington Superintendent of Schools, Brendan Lyons to discuss several items, which turned out to be a very positive meeting. He made some reminder announcements that the Annual Easter Egg Hunt is April 12th, the Fishing Derby is May 3rd, and Community Day is July 19th.

Supervisor Zulauf stated that the Highway Department has been doing some improvements to the Rec and thanked them for their hard work.

PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEMS & RESOLUTIONS:

There was no public comment this evening.

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 04:02:14 –1 (58)
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 March 19, 2014 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 March 19, 2014 Town Board Meeting.

Seconded COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

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RESOLUTION 04:02:14 – 2 (59)
RE: Appointment to Ethics Board

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:

Ethics Board Beth Gibson Term to expire 12/31/20

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

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

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RESOLUTION 04:02:14 – 3 (60)

RE: Authorizing Attendance at Town Finance & Management School

SUPERVISOR ZULAUF offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, The Association of Towns will be holding the 14th Annual Town Finance & Management School on May 8-9, 2014 in Saratoga, New York; and

WHEREAS, it will be beneficial for the Comptroller, Andrew Forman, to attend these sessions of said school; and

WHEREAS, the cost of the school is \$200.00; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Andrew Forman is hereby authorized to attend the Finance and Management School.

Seconded COUNCILMAN DEL VECCHIO

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

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RESOLUTION NO. 04:02:14 –4 (61)

RE: Authorize Community Day Entertainment

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

WHEREAS, Community Day is an annual event that is popular and well attended by Town of Beekman Residents and their families; and

WHEREAS, Community Day for 2014 has been scheduled for Saturday, July 19th and will be held at Recreation Park; and

WHEREAS, the 2014 Budget includes funding for entertainment for Community Day; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Supervisor to enter into an agreement with the following vendors: Sound Advantage Mobile DJ's for entertainment at Community Day for an amount not to exceed \$600.00,

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Aladdin Tent Rentals for tent and dance floor in the amount not to exceed \$1,250.00, and for Legion Fireworks Co., Inc in the amount of \$3,000.

Seconded COUNCILMAN STIEGLER

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

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RESOLUTION NO. 04:02:14 –5 (62)

RE: Approve Agreement with WML Aquatics for Lifeguard Training Classes

COUNCILMAN STIEGLER offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, WML Aquatics ably provided lifeguard training classes at Beekman Rec in 2013, and is desirous of doing so in 2014 as well; and

WHEREAS, the Recreation Commission has recommended approval and adoption of an agreement for 2014, with WML Aquatics, pursuant to which the cost will be \$310, of which the Town will receive 15% of registration; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby authorize WML Aquatics to provide its lifeguard training classes on these terms, subject to WML Aquatics providing satisfactory proof of insurance in favor of the Town as additional insured.

Seconded COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

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RESOLUTION NO. 04:02:14 – 6 (63)

RE: To Accept Donation from Gerry Richardson

COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, Gerry Richardson has donated a painting by George Poterson of Town Hall; and

WHEREAS, Town Board resolutions are required to accept all donations; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town of Beekman does hereby accept this donation, and in so doing does express its gratitude to Gerry Richardson; and be it further

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RESOLVED, the record of this donation will be forwarded to the Town Clerk for her record of donations.

Seconded SUPERVISOR ZULAUF

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

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RESOLUTION NO. 04:02:14 -7 (64)

RE: Payment of Claims

SUPERVISOR ZULAUF 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:	\$ 43,200.69
Claims to be paid from the DA-Highway Fund	\$ 6,733.43
Claims to be paid from the SS-Dover Ridge Sewer	\$ 6,595.70
Claims to be paid from SW-Dover Ridge Water	\$ 905.79
Claims to be paid from T-Trust and Agency	<u>\$ 3,541.85</u>
	\$ 60,977.46

Payroll 7	Paid	\$53,159.99
General Fund: \$32,269.36		
Highway Fund: \$20,890.63		

Seconded COUNCILMAN DEL VECCHIO

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

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OTHER BUSINESS:

Supervisor Zulauf read the Thank You letter from the Parkinson's Disease Group for recognizing the month of April as Parkinson's Awareness Month.

Supervisor Zulauf announced that she is working on getting the Town Hall "Green" parking lot project started up again and will keep us posted on the progress.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT:

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Len Jerrum, Beyer Drive, wanted to know about the Beekman Carnival he was seeing advertised. The Supervisor advised him this was being organized by the Beekman Elementary School. He stated that the Town needs to address the issue with the front steps. The wall is crumbling and needs to be repaired.

Highway Superintendent, Tony Coviello, stated that the proposed cell tower location on the map is not where it was originally discussed. The cell tower needs to be 190' from the property line; therefore they will need to obtain a variance.

GENERAL BOARD COMMENT:

Councilman Del Vecchio thanked Tony Coviello and the Highway Department for the street sweeping. He also thanked the Fire Department for handling the Gold Road fire, condolences go out to the family of the victim. In closing, he congratulated Kiernan Lawlor for being recognized as “Assemblyman of the Year” and a special thanks to Senator Greg Ball and Assemblymember Didi Barrett for getting mandate relief for Dutchess.

ADJOURN:

At 7:55PM with no further business to conduct Supervisor Zulauf made the motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Councilman Battaglini. All in favor.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

RACHAEL RANCOURT
TOWN CLERK