

BEEKMAN TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING – FEBRUARY 28, 2018

The Regular Meeting of the Beekman Town Board was called to order at 7:01PM with Supervisor Mary Covucci presiding. The Meeting was held in the meeting room at Town Hall.

THOSE PRESENT: SUPERVISOR MARY COVUCCI
COUNCILMAN ROBERT SWARTZ
COUNCILWOMAN SHARON WOHRMAN
COUNCILMAN WERNER STIEGLER
COUNCILMAN EZIO BATTAGLINI

ALSO PRESENT: LISA COBB, TOWN ATTORNEY

Supervisor Mary Covucci 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. Supervisor Covucci made one administrative announcement regarding the location of fire exits.

PUBLIC HEARING – 7:00 PM SOLAR ENERGY (CONTINUED)

Lisa Cobb, Town Attorney gave an overview of the proposed amendments to this Local Law. Two residents spoke and asked questions. One resident sent in comments which Supervisor Covucci read aloud. After everyone had the opportunity to speak, Supervisor Covucci announced that this Public Hearing will remain open and continue on March 28, 2018 at 7:00PM.

Supervisor Covucci gave further details regarding the resolutions posted this evening.

RESOLUTIONS:

**RESOLUTION NO. 02:28:18 – 1 (32)
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 February 14, 2018 Town Board Meetings 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 February 14, 2018 Town Board Meeting.

Seconded COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

*****Councilwoman Wohrman made a friendly amendment to add to Supervisor Covucci’s comments under General Board Comment that she requested the State Comptroller’s Office to perform an audit of the Town’s finances. Seconded by Councilman Stiegler.*****

ROLL CALL VOTE AS AMENDED:

Councilman Stiegler AYE
Councilman Swartz AYE
Councilman Battaglini AYE
Councilwoman Wohrman AYE
Supervisor Covucci AYE

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RESOLUTION NO. 02:28:18 -2 (33)

RE: Accept Justice Court Audit

COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, Section 2019-a of the Uniform Justice Court Act requires that town and village justices annually provide their court records and dockets to their respective town and village auditing boards, and that such records then be examined or audited and that fact be entered into the minutes of the board’s proceedings; and

WHEREAS, the Comptroller has audited the statements, books, and records of the Town of Beekman court justices and prepared her findings for review; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman does hereby accept the Statement of cash receipts and cash balances for Beekman Court Justice Garito and Beekman Court Justice Ferris; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is hereby directed to submit these audit findings, along with a copy of this resolution, to the New York State Office of Court Administration.

Seconded: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN

Town Justice John Garito presented his books to the Town Board where each member of the Board initialed each of the Justice Court accounts.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Stiegler	AYE
Councilman Swartz	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	AYE
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	AYE

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RESOLUTION NO. 02:28:18 -3 (34)

RE: Approve Change Order for the Dover Ridge Water Supply Emergency Generator Contract

SUPERVISOR COVUCCI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town of Beekman is party to a contract with Black Electric Inc. duly let after a competitive bid pursuant to the Town’s procurement policy an regarding the Dover Ridge Water Supply Emergency Generator Contract; and

WHEREAS, the Town has received a request for a change order from Black Electric, Inc. which change order results in a net contract price increase in the amount of \$13,125.00; and

WHEREAS, the need for the change order request was based on an unforeseen event that was beyond the control of the parties; specifically, a unidentified waterline was discovered during excavation which required the relocation of much of the project; and

WHEREAS, the proposed work change order has been reviewed and approved by the Town Engineer; and

NOW, THEREFORE,

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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman hereby approves Request For Change Order #2 dated July 5, 2017 as submitted for the Dover Ridge Water Supply Emergency Generator Project in the amount of \$13,125 and authorizes the Supervisor and/or the Town Comptroller to pay the amended contract price.

Seconded: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Stiegler AYE
 Councilman Swartz AYE
 Councilman Battaglini AYE
 Councilwoman Woehrman AYE
 Supervisor Covucci AYE

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RESOLUTION NO. 02:28:18 – 4 (35)

RE: Authorize Proposed Senior Bus Trips - April-October 2018

COUNCILMAN SWARTZ offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the 2018 Budget includes funding for the cost of a variety of bus trips for the Senior Citizens Program; and

WHEREAS, deposits are required for tours, shows and meals to guarantee the reservations, which deposits are reimbursed to the town through ticket sales; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that payment for the charter of a bus for the following trips is hereby authorized:

<u>Date</u> <u>(Grandfathered)</u>	<u>Venue / Bus Cost</u>	<u>Resident Seniors</u>	<u>Non-Resident Non-Seniors</u>	<u>Non-Resident / Non-Seniors</u>
April 26	Silver Birches Music/Lunch Bus Cost: \$1,190.00	\$47	\$ 67	\$57
May 31	West Point Officers Club Purple Heart Museum Bus Cost: \$885	\$45	\$ 65	\$55
June 14	Mariners Harbor Restaurant And Hudson River Cruises Bus Cost: \$850	\$59	\$ 79	\$69
July 12	High Point Country Club Bus Cost: \$1,045	\$49	\$ 69	\$59
Aug 23	Goodspeed Opera House Bus Cost: \$1,170.00	\$87	\$107	\$97
Sept 27	Caramoor/High Tea/Tour Bus Cost: \$850	\$42	\$ 62	\$52
Oct 18	Norman Rockwell Museum Picnic Lunch / Ventford Mansion	\$54	\$ 74	\$64

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Bus Cost: \$1.160.00

Be it further RESOLVED, that deposits for tours, shows, and meals for above trips are hereby authorized not to exceed said total fees; and be it further

RESOLVED, that all registration costs incurred by the Town of Beekman will be reimbursed through ticket sales for each event.

Seconded: COUNCILMAN STIEGLER

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Stiegler	AYE
Councilman Swartz	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	AYE
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	AYE

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RESOLUTION NO. 02:28:18 – 5 (36)

RE: Declare April as World-Wide Parkinson’s Disease Awareness Month

COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, Parkinson’s disease is a progressive neurological movement disorder of the central nervous system, which has a unique impact on each patient; and

WHEREAS, although new medicines and therapies may enhance life for some time for people with Parkinson’s disease, more work is needed for a cure; and

WHEREAS, increased education and research are needed to help find more effective treatments with fewer side effects and ultimately a cure for Parkinson’s disease; and

WHEREAS, April has been proclaimed as World-Wide Parkinson’s Awareness Month for all to recognize the need for more research and help in dealing with the devastating effects of Parkinson’s disease; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman do hereby proclaim April as Parkinson’s Disease Awareness Month in the Town of Beekman.

Seconded: COUNCILMAN SWARTZ

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Stiegler	NO
Councilman Swartz	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	AYE
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	AYE

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RESOLUTION NO. 02:28:18-6 (37)

RE: Authorize Proposal of Teen Leadership Council Weekend at Camp Jewel

COUNCILMAN STIEGLER offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Beekman Teen Leadership Council has an opportunity to attend a Team Building Trip to the Camp Jewell YMCA in Colebrook, CT on June 1 to June 3, 2018; and

WHEREAS, 15-20 teens and two staff from the Teen Leadership Council are planning on attending this event at a cost of \$186.00 per person (two staff members are comped); and

WHEREAS, half of this has been accounted for in the 2018 Rec Contractual Expense Budget and the Teen Leadership Council provides the other half through fundraising activities and registration fees; and

WHEREAS, the school bus fee will be paid for by the Teen Leadership Council; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves the Teen Leadership Council to attend the Team Building Trip with a fee not to exceed \$1860 to Camp Jewel, and the deposit and the COI be sent and the contract signed by the supervisor.

Seconded: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Stiegler AYE

Councilman Swartz AYE

Councilman Battaglini AYE

Councilwoman Wohrman AYE

Supervisor Covucci AYE

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RESOLUTION NO. 02:28:18 - 7 (38)

RE: Approve the Awarding of a Bid to Bottini Fuel for the Dover Ridge Water Supply Emergency Generator Project

COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town of Beekman solicited bids for gas service to the Dover Ridge Water Supply Emergency Generator Project; and

WHEREAS, two bids were received by the Town deemed responsive and complete; and

WHEREAS, the Town has determined that the lowest responsive bid received was from Bottini Fuel the Towns current supplier; and

WHEREAS, the Town wishes to award the bid and enter into a contract with Bottini Fuel for gas service based upon the terms contained in the solicited bid; and

NOW, THEREFORE,

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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman hereby awards the gas service contract for Dover Ridge Water Supply Emergency Generator Project to Bottini Fuel upon the terms set for in its solicited bid and authorizes the Supervisor to enter into a contract with Bottini Fuel consistent with its solicited bid.

Seconded: COUNCILMAN STIEGLER

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Stiegler AYE

Councilman Swartz AYE

Councilman Battaglini AYE

Councilwoman Wohrman AYE

Supervisor Covucci AYE

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RESOLUTION NO. 02:28:18 -8 (39)
RE: Accept Donation of Office Furniture

SUPERVISOR COVUCCI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, iPark East Fishkill has donated office furniture; 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 doing so, does express it's gratitude to iPark East Fishkill and be it further

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

Seconded: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Stiegler AYE

Councilman Swartz AYE

Councilman Battaglini AYE

Councilwoman Wohrman AYE

Supervisor Covucci AYE

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RESOLUTION NO. 02:28:18 - 9 (40)
RE: Accept Donation from Beekman Athletic Club

COUNCILMAN SWARTZ offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, Beekman Athletic Club has donated \$1000 for the renovation of Rec 2 baseball field; 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 doing so, does express it's gratitude to the Beekman Athletic Club and be it further

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

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Seconded COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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Councilman Swartz AYE
Councilman Battaglini AYE
Councilwoman Wohrman AYE
Supervisor Covucci AYE

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**RESOLUTION NO. 02:28:18 -10 (41)
RE: Payment of Claims**

COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN 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	\$ 83,354.70
Claims to be paid from the DA-Highway Fund	\$ 16,179.75
Claims to be paid from the SS – Dover Ridge Sewer	\$ 4,026.05
Claims to be paid from the SW – Dover Ridge Water	\$ 2,799.91
Claims to be paid from the T-Trust & Agency Fund	\$ 1,517.50
	<u>\$107,877.91</u>

Payroll Paid on 2/22/18

General Fund	\$ 33,324.11
Highway Fund	<u>\$ 34,317.31</u>
	<u>\$ 67,641.42</u>

Seconded: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Stiegler AYE
Councilman Swartz AYE
Councilman Battaglini AYE
Councilwoman Wohrman AYE
Supervisor Covucci AYE

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OTHER BUSINESS:

Supervisor Covucci opened up discussion for Public Comment on Agenda items & Resolutions. Mary Bronzi questioned if resolution # 3 would raise their rates. Supervisor Covucci stated this resolution will not affect the rates.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Len Jerrum, Beyer Drive, wanted to know when the deadlines for payment of the senior bus trips were. He was advised by the Recreation Director that all that information will be published tomorrow. He also questioned, in the

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event of an emergency, such as the upcoming storm, where residents can take shelter. He was advised that during emergencies the Fire House becomes a shelter.

Linda Porter, Clapp Hill, presented the Board with an idea of a “Trash Bash” Day in the Town of Beekman. She picked up garbage today for three hours at the bottom of Clapp Hill.

Tony Coviello, Highway Superintendent, spoke in reference to a couple of telephone poles in Town that have snapped in half which have been tied to a new pole. The electric company comes out to take the wires off the broken pole and affix them to the new pole, however, it has been difficult getting the cable and phone companies out to switch their wires to the new poles. The Highway Department is working on getting them out there to rectify the situation.

Councilman Battaglini announced the Highway Department street sweeping schedule.

Tony Coviello spoke about the new bucket truck. They are very pleased with this vehicle and it has been extremely useful already.

Councilman Battaglini announced a charity Bingo event this Saturday, March 3, 2018 at 5:00 PM sponsored by the Beekman Fire Auxiliary to benefit military personnel and their families.

GENERAL BOARD COMMENT

The next meeting of the Beekman Town Board is Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at 7:00PM.

Public Hearing – 7:00PM Solar Energy (Continued) to March 28, 2018

ADJOURN

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

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

RACHAEL RANCOURT
TOWN CLERK