

BEEKMAN TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING – JANUARY 24, 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 WERNER STIEGLER
 COUNCILMAN ROBERT SWARTZ
 COUNCILMAN EZIO BATTAGLINI
 COUNCILWOMAN SHARON WOHRMAN

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(S)

7:00PM – SOLAR ENERGY (CONTINUED) Supervisor Covucci continued the Public Hearing on Solar Energy by stating that they are waiting for additional information from Lisa Cobb and hope to have a draft of the new law in early February and vote on it in March. There was no additional public comment on this Hearing. Supervisor Covucci made a motion to continue this Public Hearing on February 28, 2017 at 7:00PM. The motion was moved by Councilman Battaglini.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Highway Superintendent, Tony Coviello, reported on the activity of the Highway Department over the last few weeks. His Department has hauled in 680 tons of sand and ordered 1800 tons of salt. These items are mixed to create a 70% salt/ 30% sand product. Tony also reported that the street signs throughout Town have been updated to the 6" high intensity ones. Repairs to the equipment have been at a minimum. The scrap metal was picked up and we should be receiving a \$ 3,610.96 check shortly. In closing, Tony reported that he met with Supervisor Covucci and Congressman Faso. They went over the buildings and he looks forward to seeing what the Congressman can assist with. Tony spoke briefly on the local law to amend vehicles and traffic. The amendment is intended to keep the excessive heavy vehicles from utilizing Clapp Hill as a by-pass and only allowing heavy vehicles on that road for local deliveries.

7:10PM – AMEND CHAPTER 141 VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC

Supervisor Covucci opened this Public Hearing and read the proposed amendments to keep heavy vehicles off of Clapp Hill Road except for local deliveries. She opened it up for public comment. There was no public comment on this amendment. At 7:15PM, Councilman Stiegler made the motion to close this Public Hearing seconded by Councilman Battaglini. All in favor.

COUNTY LEGISLATOR REPORT

County Legislator, Marc Coviello, gave an update on progress that has been made in the Legislature. The County has recently passed their budget. They increased funding in youth services, mental health and crisis stabilization services by 2%, however, were still able to reduce property taxes with a levy reduction. The Legislature projects growth in sales tax and tourism for the upcoming year. The Capital Improvement plan to re-align and reconstruct County Route 9 (Beekman Road), should be completed this year. In closing, Legislator Coviello, reported that he is Vice-Chair of the Veterans Affairs Committee and they have increased outreach and funding to continue taking care of our Veterans.

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PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEMS & RESOLUTIONS:

There was no public comment on agenda items this evening.

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 01:24:18 – 1 (13)
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 January 3, 2018 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 January 3, 2018 Town Board Meeting.

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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RESOLUTION NO. 01:24:18 – 2 (14)
RE: Approve Agreement for the Expenditures of Highway Monies

COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

Now therefore be it RESOLVED, that the Agreement between the Town Superintendent of the Town of Beekman, Dutchess County, New York and the undersigned members of the Town Board Pursuant to the provisions of Section 284 of the Highway Law, we agree that the moneys levied and collected in the Town for the repair and improvement of highways, and received from the State for State Aid for the repair and improvement of highways, shall be expended as follows:

1. GENERAL REPAIRS. The sum of **\$250,000.00** shall be set aside to be expended for primary work and general repairs upon **3.93** miles "**7.86 Lane Miles**" out of **149.44** lane miles of town highways, including sluices, culverts and bridges having a span of less than five feet and boardwalks or the renewals thereof.

2. PERMANENT IMPORVEMENTS: The following sums shall be set aside to be expended for the permanent improvement of Town Highways:

(a) On the road commencing at **Grape Hollow Rd.** and leading up to Depot Hill Rd a distance of **.75** lane miles, **2000** feet of **Grape Hollow Rd.**, "one third of the total length" there shall be expended not over the sum of **\$42,000.00 for 550 Tons of Blacktop**, Width of traveled surface **21 Feet, a thickness of 2"**

(b) On the road commencing at Clapp Hill Rd and leading into **Andrews Road** finishing at the Beaver Rd intersection a distance of **.46** lane miles, "**1275** feet" there shall be expended not over the sum of **\$31,500.00 for 424 Tons of Blacktop** Width of traveled surface **25 Feet with a Thickness of 2"**

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(c) On the road commencing at Hilton Rd and leading into **School House Lane** ending at the Town of Lagrange Town Line, a distance of **.74** lane miles, “2040 feet” there shall be expended not over the sum of **\$43,500.00** for **560 Tons of Blacktop** Width of traveled surface **20 Feet with a Thickness of 2”**

(d) On the road commencing at Sylvan Lake Road Entering into **Hemlock Hollow Rd** a distance of **.32** lane miles, “**865** feet” there shall be expended not over the sum of **\$17,250.00** for **250 Tons of Blacktop** Width of traveled surface **20 Feet with a Thickness of 2”**

(e) On the road commencing at the South Green Haven Rd Intersection, leading into **Davis Hill Rd**, a distance of **.42** lane miles, “**2225** feet” there shall be expended not over the sum of **\$42,500.00** for **560 Tons of Blacktop** width of traveled surface **20 feet with a Thickness of 2”**

(f) On the road commencing at the intersection of Davis Hill Rd & Pansy Road traveling a distance of **.10** lane miles, **530** feet of **Pansy Road** there shall be expended not over the sum of **\$11,250.00** for **140 Tons of Blacktop** Width of traveled surface **21 Feet with a Thickness of 2”**

(g) On the road commencing at the intersection of **Hynes Road** and Gardner Hollow Rd traveling west a distance of **1 .14** lane miles, **3000** feet of **Hynes Road**, there shall be expended not over the sum of **\$62,000.00** for **760 Tons of Blacktop** Width of traveled surface **21 Feet with a Thickness of 2”**

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. 01:24:18 – 3 (15)

RE: Board Appointments

SUPERVISOR COVUCCI 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 following appointments be made:

-Mary Bronzi to Recreation Advisory Committee with a term to expire December 31, 2019

And be it further

RESOLVED, that all appointments are contingent upon completion and submission of the Disclosure of Interest Statement pursuant to Chapter 19-9 of the Town Code, unless already on file and the information has not changed; 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 STIEGLER

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ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

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RESOLUTION NO. 01:24:18 – 4 (16)

RE: Allow Overflow Parking from Fire Department on February 3 and March 3, 2018

COUNCILMAN SWARTZ offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Beekman Fire Department is holding a Bingo events on February 3 and March 3, 2018; and

WHEREAS, they would appreciate additional parking to accommodate the many anticipated visitors for the day's events; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board allow the use of Beekman Town Hall parking lot for the Beekman Fire Department to accommodate the overflow parking on February 3 and March 3, 2018.

Seconded COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI & 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. 01:24:18 – 5 (PULLED)

RE: Accept Justice Court Audit

PULLED

RESOLUTION NO. 01:24:18 – 6 (17)

RE: Waive the Prohibition against Alcohol Contained in the Park Policies for an Event Sponsored by the Portuguese American Cultural Center

COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the adopted Park Policies of the Town of Beekman prohibits the consumption, serving or selling of alcoholic beverages in the parks of the town; and

WHEREAS, the Town has received an application from the Hudson Valley Portuguese American Cultural Center to hold a carnival on town park property and a request to waive the prohibition against the consumption serving and/or selling of alcohol in town property; and

WHEREAS, the application and request for a waiver was reviewed by the Recreation Advisory Committee which approved of the application and wavier and forwarded such approval to the Town Board for action; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board and the Town Attorney have had the opportunity to review the application and the waiver request; and

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WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that the event is beneficial to the community at large and reasonable safe guards could be put in-place to protect the community for the issuance of a waiver from the adopted park rules and regulations; and now therefore be it

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman hereby approves the request from the Hudson Valley Portuguese American Cultural Center to waive the Town’s prohibition on the consumption, serving and/or selling of alcoholic beverages in town parks for its carnival event to be held with the following conditions:

1. A Certificate of Insurance for “Liquor Legal Liability” coverage with a limit of \$1 Million per occurrence/ \$1 Million annual policy aggregate naming the Town as an additional insured together with any and all other insurance requirements set forth in the Town’s Park Policies and as approved by the Town’s Insurance Broker.
2. Any vendor the applicant brings on site will have a written agreement with each including the Town’s insurance requirements.
3. A valid Liquor License issued by the New York State Liquor Authority for the date, time and place of the event.
4. A dumpster of sufficient capacity to handle the trash generated by the event.
5. A bathroom monitor who shall monitor the Town’s bathrooms and any portable toilets utilized for the event which shall be inspected and documented in no less than forty-five minute intervals during the hours of the event

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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RESOLUTION NO. 01:24:18 – 7 (18)

RE: Retain Bond Counsel Services for the Town of Beekman

COUNCILMAN STIELGER offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town of Beekman is interested in retaining bond counsel to assist in connection with the issuance of Town obligations; and

WHEREAS, the Town has received a detailed description of services from Capital Markets Advisors LLC, as well as a schedule of fees for such services; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Beekman, Dutchess County, New York, as follows:

Section 1. The firm of Capital Markets Advisors LLC is hereby retained for bond counsel services in connection with Town financings based upon the fee schedule attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Section 2. This resolution takes effect immediately.

Seconded COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Stiegler	AYE
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Councilman Swartz AYE
Councilman Battaglini AYE
Councilwoman Wohrman AYE
Supervisor Covucci AYE
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RESOLUTION NO. 1:24:18 – 8 (19)
RE: Authorization to Purchase 2005 International Truck

COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Highway Department is in need of a bucket truck; and WHEREAS, Highway Superintendent and Highway Department Mechanic, has had the opportunity to locate, research a 2005 International 4300 bucket truck in Genesee, New York; and WHEREAS, the Town Board has had the opportunity to review the particulars for the 2005 International 4300 bucket truck; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the purchase of the 2005 International 4300 bucket truck Vin #1HTMMAAN95H128870 for a fee not to exceed \$25,000.

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. 1:24:18-9 (20)
RE: Resolution Appointing Receiver of Taxes

SUPERVISOR COVUCCI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS; a vacancy in the office of the Receiver of Taxes has occurred by the retirement and resignation of the duly elected Receiver of Taxes, Judy Crawford; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Town Law, the Town of Beekman is required to have a Receiver of Taxes duly appointed for, among other things, receiving tax payments; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has the authority to appoint a Receiver of Taxes until the election of a replacement at a duly held special election; and

Now, Therefore,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman hereby appoints Teresa Crispino as the Receiver of Taxes with a term expiring December 31, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, that such appointment is conditioned upon the appointee filing the oath of office and Town Ethics Form with the Town Clerk.

Seconded COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN

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ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

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RESOLUTION NO. 1:24:18-10 (21)

RE: Resolution Adding Position of Building Department Typist Part-Time

COUNCILMAN SWARTZ offers the following and moves for its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman hereby amends the 2018 budget to add the position of Typist (part-time) in the building department at a rate of \$17.58 per hour; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the additional position will not have a financial impact to the 2018 budget.

Seconded COUNCILMAN STIEGLER

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

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RESOLUTION NO. 01:24:18 – 11 (22)

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	\$ 92,237.72
Claims to be paid from the DA-Highway Fund	\$ 14, 119.99
Claims to be paid from the SS – Dover Ridge Sewer	\$ 2,932.98
Claims to be paid from the SW – Dover Ridge Water	\$ 762.34
Claims to be paid from the T-Trust & Agency Fund	<u>\$ 1,960.00</u>
	\$ 112,013.03

Payroll 1	Paid on 1/11/18	\$ 73,416.48
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General Fund	\$ 32,313.57
Highway Fund	\$ 41,102.91

Seconded COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

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ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

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OTHER BUSINESS:

There was no other business this evening.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Virginia Peters, Robin Court, inquired about an update with the litigation case regarding the Robin Court subdivision. Supervisor Covucci stated that Attorney John Wirth, drafted a settlement stipulation for the new Council and the case could possibly get settled soon.

Len Jerrum, Beyer Drive, questioned who the new Receiver of Taxes is, questioned if the typist position was CSEA and what the hours per week were. Supervisor Covucci gave a summary as to the job responsibilities of the new Building Department typist and stated that the position is Civil Service not Union.

GENERAL BOARD COMMENT

Supervisor Covucci advised the public that the new Receiver of Taxes will start tomorrow. The tax bills went out today. Monday begins the processing of tax payments beginning with the pre-payments received. The Supervisor met with Congressman Fasso to discuss some opportunities for grants and other ways his office may be able to assist. In closing, Supervisor Covucci announced that the DEC will re-issue the permit to operate the lake this upcoming season.

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

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

ADJOURN

At 7:50PM, 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