

**Dated: July 28, 2020 BEEKMAN TOWN BOARD MEETING** – Meeting of the Beekman Town Board was called to order at 7:04PM 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. 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 went over the Resolutions. **ROLL CALL WAS TAKEN BY TOWN CLERK LAUREEN ABBATANTUONO and a Quorum was met.**

1. Approval of April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020 minutes
2. Accept Audit for the year ending December 31, 2019
3. Approve Bond Reduction Stone Ridge Estates: **Bond reduction has been requested by the developer and discussions have been ongoing regarding the reduction.**
4. Set Public Hearing for Local Law amending Chapter 75 of Town code regarding Development Consulting Fees: **Post development fees are needed for developments for various reasons continue to require input from Legal & Engineering but those costs are not included in the original escrow accounts.**
5. Approve the Cancellation of the August 25 Town Board Meeting
6. Payment of Claims

**BOARD COMMENTS: COUNCILMAN STIEGLER regarding RESOLUTION NO. 07:28:20-3**, made a **MOTION TO TABLE** this Resolution, stating that at this time he does not feel comfortable moving forward and would prefer to wait on this until the September 8, 2020 **SUPERVISOR COVUCCI**; the Town of Beekman Board members have indicated that they feel it would be beneficial to wait until the Planning Board meeting which will be held on August 20th so that they can address the reductions. **SUPERVISOR COVUCCI** stated she does agree with their determination to wait until the Town Board meeting which will be held on September 8<sup>th</sup>. She also mentioned she had received an email from a resident of Stone Ridge this afternoon and that there is information that needs to be reviewed by the Town Board. This was **SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN SWARTZ** **\*\*\*\*ROLE CALL VOTE TO TABLE:** Supervisor Covucci AYE, Councilman Stiegler AYE, Councilman Battaglini AYE, Councilman Swartz AYE, Councilwoman Wohrman AYE.

**GENERAL BOARD COMMENTS: SUPERVISOR COVUCCI** wanted to remind everyone that the Dutchess County sponsored Senior Picnic for Beekman residents is combined with LaGrange and will be held via **reserved** “curbside pick-up”, Tues. Aug. 25<sup>th</sup> at Freedom Park, 212 Skidmore Road, LaGrange. Interested Beekman Seniors must RSVP by calling the DC Office for the Aging at 486-2555, M-F, 9am-5pm, to make a reservation. Once you call, you will be provided with your own designated pick up time. Reservations are limited so be sure to call soon! Also, there was a reminder that a **Public Hearing regarding Development Fees** will take place **on September 8 @7pm** at Town Hall. Town Clerk Laureen Abbatantuono will have a public notice published in the Poughkeepsie Journal 10 days prior to September 8<sup>th</sup>.

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS:** There were no comments made at this time. **SUPERVISOR COVUCCI** made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:21pm, **SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI**

All in favor. **RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, LAUREEN ABBATANTUONO TOWN CLERK**

**TOWN OF BEEKMAN  
TOWN BOARD MEETING AGENDA  
JULY 28, 2020**

**FOR THE SAFETY OF THE TOWN BOARD AND THE TOWN RESIDENTS,  
THE JULY 28th TOWN BOARD MEETING WILL BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC  
AS ADVISED BY THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK**

**7:00 PM**

- Meeting called to order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Administrative Announcement--Fire Exits

**TOWN BOARD MEETING**

- Supervisor's Comments

**RESOLUTIONS**

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  5. Approve the Cancellation of the August 25 Town Board Meeting
  6. Payment of Claims
- Other Town Board Business
  - General Board Comments
  - **Next Town Board Meeting: Tuesday, August 11, 2020 at 7:00 PM**

**RESOLUTION NO. 07:28:20 – 1 (112)**  
**RE: APPROVAL OF PAST TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**COUNCILMAN STIEGLER**  
adoption:

offers the following and moves for its

**WHEREAS**, Town Clerk Laureen Abbatantuono has provided copies of the minutes of the July 14, 2020 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 July 14, 2020 Town Board Meeting.

**Seconded: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Stiegler	<b>AYE</b>
Councilman Battaglini	<b>AYE</b>
Councilman Swartz	<b>AYE</b>
Councilwoman Woehrman	<b>AYE</b>
Supervisor Covucci	<b>AYE</b>

Dated: July 28, 2020

**RESOLUTION NO. 07:28:20 – 2 (113)**

**RE: ACCEPTING AND RECOGNIZING THE INDEPENDENT AUDIT FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2019 AND THE INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT ON COMMUNICATION OF INTERNAL CONTROL MATTERS IDENTIFIED IN THE AUDIT**

**COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI**  
for its adoption:

offers the following and moves

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Beekman Town Board retained the services of the accounting firm of EFRP Group to perform the independent audit of the Town’s finances including the Tax Receiver and the Justice Court operations for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board has received and reviewed the said Auditors’ Report and the Town of Beekman Financial Statements and Supplementary information for the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, the results of the Audits were presented and discussed at the July 14, 2020 Town Board Meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, the Audit Reports will be available for public review at the office of the Beekman Town Clerk and on the Town of Beekman website.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman does hereby accept the Independent Auditors’ Reports and findings prepared by EFRP Group for the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2019 and that they be officially filed with the Town Clerk, and if management responses are required that they be rendered in writing within 60 days of this date.

**Seconded: COUNCILMAN SWARTZ**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Councilman Stiegler	<b>AYE</b>
Councilman Battaglini	<b>AYE</b>
Councilman Swartz	<b>AYE</b>
Councilwoman Woehrman	<b>AYE</b>
Supervisor Covucci	<b>AYE</b>

Dated: July 28, 2020

**RESOLUTION NO. 07:28:20 – 3 TABLED (114)**  
**RE: APPROVING THE REDUCTION IN THE PERFORMANCE BOND FOR STONE RIDGE ESTATES**  
**SUBDIVISION**

**SUPERVISOR COVUCCI** offers the following and moves for its adoption:

**WHEREAS**, on September 3, 2014 by Resolution 09:03:14-10 (154) the Town Board of the Town of Beekman by Resolution approved the posting of a performance bond in the amount of \$1,221,785.31 pursuant to an approved subdivision known as the Stone Ridge Estates Subdivision; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 2, 2015, by Resolution 12:02:15-4 (156) the Town reduced the required Performance Bond from the original posted amount to \$384,331.19 at the recommendation of the Town engineer and with the consent of the Town Attorney; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town is in receipt of a request from the applicant to further reduce the Performance Bond based upon additional work completed and conditions of approval that were met; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Engineer has submitted a performance bond estimate whereby he recommends the Performance Bond be reduced to \$244,357.06 for the full performance of the developers remaining obligations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Engineer has also submitted a Construction Observation Report dated May 26, 2020 (the, "COR") which lists certain deficiencies noted in the field; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board is desirous of accepting the recommendation of the Town Engineer conditioned on the applicant addressing those items raised in the Town Engineer's COR; and

**NOW, THEREFORE,**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Town Board of the Town of Beekman hereby approves and accepts the recommendation of the Town Engineer setting the required Performance Bond for the Stone Ride Estates Subdivision in the amount of \$244,357.06 provided that the applicant completes the following remedial actions:

1. By August 6, 2020 submit an application for an amended site plan to the Town addressing the following comments contained in the COR: Note 2(a); 2(c)(i); 2(d)(i)-(v).
2. By August 6, 2020 submit an application for an amended site plan eliminating the public walking trail and public parking lot for the public walking trail and replace with an appropriate open space conservation easement to be maintained by the Homeowners Association.
3. By October 30, 2020 complete item 2(i) on the COR; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the remaining items contained in the COR shall be completed prior to any further request for a Performance Bond reduction and no later than June 1, 2021 with the exception of COR note 2(n) which shall be eliminated; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the applicant shall prepare the roads for dedication no later than June 1, 2021 and applicant's time to dedicate the roads contained in the subdivision shall be extended to that date; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the reduced performance bond or Letter of Credit in the amount of \$244,357.06 shall be deposited with the Town Clerk in form and substance as acceptable to the Town Attorney.

**Seconded: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI**

**\*\*\*\*Councilman Stiegler made the motion to table this resolution seconded by Councilman Swartz\*\*\*\***

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Stiegler	<b>AYE</b>
Councilman Battaglini	<b>AYE</b>
Councilman Swartz	<b>AYE</b>
Councilwoman Woehrman	<b>AYE</b>
Supervisor Covucci	<b>AYE</b>

Dated: July 28, 2020

**RESOLUTION NO. 07:28:20 – 4 (115)**

**RE: RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF BEEKMAN INTRODUCING LOCAL LAW AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLIC NOTICE AND HEARING**

**COUNCILMAN SWARTZ** offers the following and moves for its adoption:

**BE IT RESOLVED** that an introductory Local Law, entitled LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 75-6, “Local Law amending Chapter 75 of the Town Code regarding Development Consulting Fees” be and it hereby is introduced before the Town Board of the Town of Beekman in the County of Dutchess and State of New York; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that copies of the aforesaid proposed local law be laid upon the desk of each member of the Board; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board hold a public hearing on said proposed local law at Town Hall, 4 Main Street, Beekman, New York, at 7:00 o’clock P.M., on September 8, 2020; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Town Clerk publish or cause to be published a public notice in the official newspaper of the Town of Beekman of said public hearing at least ten (10) days prior thereto.

**Seconded: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Councilman Stiegler	<b>AYE</b>
Councilman Battaglini	<b>AYE</b>
Councilman Swartz	<b>AYE</b>
Councilwoman Wohrman	<b>AYE</b>
Supervisor Covucci	<b>AYE</b>

Dated: July 28, 2020

**RESOLUTION NO. 07:28:20 - 5 (116)**  
**RE: APPROVING THE CANCELLATION OF THE AUGUST 25, 2020 TOWN BOARD MEETING**

**COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN** offers the following and moves for its adoption:

**WHEREAS**, due to vacation schedules and other obligations of the Town Board members there will not be a quorum present for the August 25, 2020 Town Board meeting, and

**WHEREAS**, a quorum is required to hold the meeting,

**Now therefore be it RESOLVED** that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman will cancel the meeting scheduled for August 25, 2020. The Town Board meeting scheduled for August 11, 2020 will be the only meeting to be held in the month of August.

**Seconded: COUNCILMAN SWARTZ**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Stiegler	<b>AYE</b>
Councilman Battaglini	<b>AYE</b>
Councilman Swartz	<b>AYE</b>
Councilwoman Wohrman	<b>AYE</b>
Supervisor Covucci	<b>AYE</b>

Dated: July 28, 2020

**RESOLUTION NO. 07:28:20 – 6 (117)**  
**RE: PAYMENT OF CLAIMS**

**COUNCILMAN STIEGLER** offers the following and moves for its adoption:

**WHEREAS**, the Bookkeeper 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	\$ 165,277.06
Claims to be paid from the DA-Highway Fund	\$ 19,319.96
Claims to be paid from the SS-Dover Ridge Sewer Fund	\$ 70.22
Claims to be paid from the SW-Dover Ridge Water Fund	\$ 96.87
Claims to be paid from the T-Trust & Agency Fund	<u>\$ 1,400.00</u>
	<u>\$ 186,164.11</u>

Payroll #15 Paid on 7/23/2020

General Fund	\$ 30,960.90
Highway Fund	<u>\$ 20,905.13</u>
	<u>\$ 51,866.03</u>

Bond Payment open space principle interest \$ 127,100.00

**Seconded: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Stiegler	<b>AYE</b>
Councilman Battaglini	<b>AYE</b>
Councilman Swartz	<b>AYE</b>
Councilwoman Wohrman	<b>AYE</b>
Supervisor Covucci	<b>AYE</b>

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