

**TOWN OF BEEKMAN
TOWN BOARD MEETING AGENDA
JUNE 23, 2020**

**FOR THE SAFETY OF THE TOWN BOARD AND THE TOWN RESIDENTS,
THE JUNE 23rd 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

1. Approval of June 2, 2020 Minutes
 2. Appoint Gayle O'Donnell to Conservancy Advisory Board (CAC)
 3. Authorize Health Insurance Renewal
 4. Authorize Group Life Insurance Renewal for Town Employees
 5. Authorize Vision Insurance Renewal for Town Employees
 6. Accept Standard Work Day and Reporting for New York State
 7. Approve disposal of old Monitors and other equipment
 8. Approving the Expenditure of Highway Monies
 9. Payment of Claims
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- Other Town Board Business
 - General Board Comments
 - Executive Session
 - **Special Town Board Meeting: Tuesday, June 30, 2020 at 7:00 PM**
 - **Next Regular Town Board Meeting: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 at 7:00 PM**

RESOLUTION NO. 06:23:20 – 1 (91)
RE: APPROVAL OF PAST TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES

COUNCILMAN STIEGLER offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, Town Clerk Lauren Abbatantuono has provided copies of the minutes of the June 2, 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 June 2, 2020 Town Board Meeting.

Seconded: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Dated: June 23, 2020

RESOLUTION NO. 06:23:20 – 2 (92)
RE: APPOINTMENT TO CONSERVANCY ADVISORY BOARD (CAC)

COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town Board makes appointments to various boards, and

WHEREAS a vacancy exists on the Conservancy Advisory Board (CAC), and

WHEREAS the CAC members have interviewed and put forth the name of Gayle O'Donnell for consideration to fill the vacancy, and

WHEREAS the Town Board has reviewed her resume

NOW, therefore, be it resolved that the Town Board appoints Gayle O'Donnell to the CAC Board with a term to expire 12/31/2021.

Seconded: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Dated: June 23, 2020

RESOLUTION NO. 06:23:20 – 3 (93)
RE: AUTHORIZE HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL

SUPERVISOR COVUCCI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town health insurance coverage is due to expire June 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Supervisor has obtained proposals of insurance; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has had time to review the attached proposals; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to renew the health insurance with MVP as per the attached.

Seconded: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Dated: June 23, 2020

RESOLUTION NO. 06:23:20 – 4 (94)
RE: AUTHORIZE GROUP LIFE INSURANCE RENEWAL FOR TOWN EMPLOYEES

COUNCILMAN SWARTZ offers the following and moves its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town is renewing life insurance covering full time employees and elected officials hired before January 1, 2016; and

WHEREAS, we have obtained a proposal from Marshall and Sterling Insurance for life insurance coverage through Hartford basic Life & AD&D Insurance Company; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to accept the proposal as submitted by Marshall and Sterling Insurance with Hartford basic Life & AD&D Insurance Company and that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to execute the appropriate documents to implement the insurance proposal.

Seconded: COUNCILMAN STIEGLER

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Dated: June 23, 2020

RESOLUTION NO. 06:23:20 – 5 (95)
RE: AUTHORIZE VISION INSURANCE RENEWAL FOR TOWN EMPLOYEES

COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN offers the following and moves its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town vision insurance coverage is due to expire June 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, we have obtained a proposal from Marshall and Sterling Insurance for vision insurance coverage through Shelter Point Insurance Company; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to accept the proposal as submitted by Marshall and Sterling Insurance with Shelter Point Insurance Company and that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to execute the appropriate documents to implement the insurance renewal.

Seconded: COUNCILMAN SWARTZ

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Dated: June 23, 2020

RESOLUTION NO. 6:23:20 – 6 (96)

RE: STANDARD WORK DAY AND REPORTING RESOLUTION FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS AS REQUIRED BY THE NEW YORK STATE COMPTROLLER

COUNCILMAN STIEGLER offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Office of the New York State Comptroller requires municipalities to establish Standard Work Days for elected and appointed officials who participate in the New York State and Local Retirement System;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman hereby establishes the following standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the following information for these officials to the New York State and Local Retirement System based on their record of activities:

ELECTED OFFICIAL	Standard Work Day (Hrs/Day)	Name	Current Term Begin/End Date	Record of Activities Result	Time Keeping
Town Clerk	7	Laureen Abbatantuono	1/01/2020-12/31/2023	22.27	
Superintendent of Highways	8	Anthony Coviello	1/01/2018-12/31/2021	28.98	
Town Justice	6	Robert Ferris	1/01/2020-12/31/2023	X	
Town Councilman	6	Ezio Battaglini	1/01/2020-12/31/2019	12.48	
Town Councilman	6	Werner Stiegler	1/01/2016-12/31/2023	6.67	

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution with attachments with any social security numbers and retirement registration numbers redacted shall be prominently posted on the Town’s website and the Official Signboard of the Town for a period of not less than 30 days; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that within 15 days after the expiration of the posting period, the Town Clerk shall file the completed RS 2417-A form with the Office of the New York State Comptroller.

Seconded: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Stiegler AYE
Councilman Battaglini AYE

Councilman Swartz AYE
Councilwoman Woehrman AYE
Supervisor Covucci AYE

Dated: June 23, 2020

RESOLUTION NO. 6:23:20 – 7 (97)
RE: APPROVE DISPOSAL OF MONITORS AND OTHER EQUIPMENT

COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the monitors in the Meeting Room were replaced and the old monitors remain; and

WHEREAS, the Town follows the Security Policy passed on 9:17:2014;

NOW, therefore, be it resolved, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to dispose of the monitors and any other obsolete equipment in a manner that is environmentally safe.

Seconded: COUNCILMAN STIEGLER

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Dated: June 23, 2020

RESOLUTION NO. 06:23:20 – 8 (98)

RE: APPROVING AGREEMENT FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF HIGHWAY MONIES

SUPERVISOR COVUCCI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

Now therefore be it **RESOLVED**, that the Agreement between the Town Superintendent of Highway 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 **\$180,774.67** shall be set aside to be expended for primary work and general repairs upon **1.2508** miles **“2.5016 Lane Miles”** out of **147.44** 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 **Martin Road** Intersection of the west entrance of Heather Drive traveling west on Martin Road for a distance of **.8528** lane miles. **“4503 feet”** there shall be expended not over the sum of **\$148,748.67** for **1518 Tons of Blacktop, Width of traveled surface 25 Feet with a Thickness of 2”**

(b) On the road commencing at **2104 feet** into **Benton Moore Road** traveling south east for a distance of **0.398** lane miles. **“800 feet”** there shall be expended not over the sum of **\$32,026.00** for **350 Tons of Blacktop Width of traveled surface 27 Feet with a Thickness of 2”**

Seconded: COUNCILMAN SWARTZ

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Date: June 23, 2020

RESOLUTION NO. 06:23:20 – 9 (99)
RE: Payment of Claims

COUNCILMAN SWARTZ 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	\$ 27,376.89
Claims to be paid from the DA-Highway Fund	\$ 18,293.77
Claims to be paid from the SS-Dover Ridge Sewer Fund	\$ 3,150.06
Claims to be paid from the SW-Dover Ridge Water Fund	\$ 6,142.12
Claims to be paid from the T-Trust & Agency Fund	<u>\$ 3,674.55</u>
	<u>\$ 58,637.39</u>

Payroll #12 Paid on 6/11/2020

General Fund	\$ 32,065.13
Highway Fund	<u>\$ 20,905.05</u>
	<u>\$ 52,970.18</u>

Seconded: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Dated: June 23, 2020

RESOLUTION NO. 6:23:20-10 (100)
RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF BEEKMAN PERMITTING
THE SUPERVISOR TO WITHHOLD THE SALARY OF THE RECEIVER OF TAXES IN
ACCORDANCE WITH TOWN LAW §27(1)

COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Town Law Section 27(1) all officers and employees of the Town are required to submit a monthly verified statements of all monies received on behalf of the Town; and

WHEREAS, in lieu of such report the Receiver of Taxes may deposit any monies received directly to the credit of the supervisor and provide up-to-date reports pursuant to Town Law Section 37; and

WHEREAS, the Receiver of Taxes has consistently failed to provide such monthly reports nor has she complied with the requirements of her office as set forth in Town Law Section 37; and

WHEREAS, the Town Supervisor and the Town Attorney have on numerous occasions demanded the Receiver of Taxes properly account for monies she has received, provide up to date accountings to the Supervisor, turn over reconciliations to the auditors and timely process taxpayer monies; and

WHEREAS, despite such demands, the Receiver of Taxes has not met her statutory obligations pursuant to Town Law Section 21(a) nor Town Law Section 37; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Town Law Section 21(a) the Town Board of the Town of Beekman is hereby desirous of temporarily withholding the salary of the Receiver of Taxes pending compliance with Town Law Section 21(a); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman does hereby authorize the Supervisor to withhold the salary of the Receiver of Taxes pursuant to Section 21(a) of the Town Law until such time as the Receiver of Taxes properly accounts for all monies received by her and properly reports same to the Supervisor pursuant to Town Law Section 37.

Seconded: COUNCILMAN WERNER

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Date: June 23, 2020

JUNE 23, 2020 MINUTES: BEEKMAN TOWN BOARD MEETING – Meeting of the Beekman Town Board was called to order at 7:00PM 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 and 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.

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Councilman Stiegler made a friendly amendment to: RESOLUTION NO. 06:2:20 – 1 (83) RE: APPROVAL OF PAST TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES. Whereas, Councilman Battaglini ABSTAINED from Roll Call Vote.
Seconded: Councilman Battaglini

There was no Other Town Board Business to discuss.

GENERAL BOARD COMMENTS: Councilman Battaglini on behalf of the Beekman Fire House in the month of May there was 86 Medical calls and 15 Fire related calls, totally 101 calls for the month of May. Councilman Battaglini expressed that due to social distancing the Fire house did 150 drive-byes for kid's birthdays from Mid-March through Mid-June. Supervisor Covucci thanked Councilman Battaglini and the Fire Department.

Supervisor Covucci mentioned that residents are encouraged to celebrate Independence Day by enjoying one of three drive-in displays, which will begin promptly at 9:30pm at the following venues: Dutchess Stadium on Route 9D, Wappinger's, Dutchess County Fairgrounds, Route 9, Rhinebeck and Silo Ridge Field Club Equestrian Center, Depot Hill Road, Amenia.

Supervisor Covucci announces "Welcome to Phase 3" Phase 3 includes indoor dining at 50% capacity and personal care businesses with certain limitations. Yard Sales. Yard, tag and garage sales now permitted, however sales should follow the 25-person rule, abide by proper social distancing and include the use of face coverings and sanitizer.

Executive Session called to order at 7:16pm

Executive Session called back in to order at 7:30pm. Councilwoman Wohrman read RESOLUTION NO. 6:23:20-10 (100) RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF BEEKMAN PERMITTING THE SUPERVISOR TO WITHHOLD THE SALARY OF THE RECEIVER OF TAXES IN ACCORDANCE WITH TOWN LAW §27(1). Seconded by Councilman Battaglini. All in favor: AYE

Supervisor Covucci announced that the next Regular Town Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 14, 2020 at 7:00pm and a Special Town Board meeting held on Tuesday, June 30, 2020 at 7:00pm. The Special Town Board meeting will be for the accepting of bids for the ADA work on Town Hall.

Supervisor Covucci is encouraging people to support local business as we enter in Phase 3 and look forward to Phase 4.

SUPERVISOR COVUCCI made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:33pm,
SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI
All in favor. RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, AMY GOETZ DEPUTY TOWN CLERK