

**TOWN OF BEEKMAN
TOWN BOARD MEETING AGENDA
JUNE 2, 2020**

**FOR THE SAFETY OF THE TOWN BOARD AND THE TOWN RESIDENTS,
THE JUNE 2nd 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 May 12, 2020 Minutes
 2. Approval of May 21, 2020 Minutes
 3. Approve Budget Revision # 2020-05
 4. Appoint Katie Whittaker to Conservancy Advisory Board (CAC)
 5. Close the beach and Summer Camp for the 2020 season
 6. Outdoor dining
 7. Approve disposal of old Copy machine
 8. Payment of Claims
- Other Town Board Business
 - General Board Comments
 - **Next Town Board Meeting: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 at 7:00 PM**

RESOLUTION NO. 06:2:20 – 1 (83)
RE: APPROVAL OF PAST TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES

COUNCILMAN STIEGLER offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, Town Clerk Laureen Abbatantuono has provided copies of the minutes of the May 12, 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 May 12, 2020 Town Board Meeting.

Seconded: COUNCILMAN SWARTZ

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Dated: June 2, 2020

RESOLUTION NO. 06:2:20 – 2 (84)
RE: APPROVAL OF PAST TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES

COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI
for its adoption:

offers the following and moves

WHEREAS, Town Clerk Laureen Abbatantuono has provided copies of the minutes of the May 21, 2020 Special 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 May 21, 2020 Special Town Board Meeting.

Seconded: COUNCILMAN SWARTZ

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Stiegler	ABSTAINED, NOT AT PRIOR MEETING
Councilman Battaglini	AYE
Councilman Swartz	AYE
Councilwoman Woehrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	AYE

Dated: June 2, 2020

RESOLUTION NO. 06:2:20 – 3 (85)
RE: APPROVE TOWN OF BEEKMAN BUDGET REVISIONS # 2020-05

SUPERVISOR COVUCCI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town of Beekman’s Accounting Office recommends certain budget revisions based on department requests and/or the Accounting Office review and analysis of expenditures or revenues

NOW, therefore, be it resolved that the following itemized revisions are approved by the Town of Beekman Town Board identified as Budget Revision Number # 2020-05

Budget Revisions # 2020-05

<u>Revision #</u>	<u>Account #</u>	<u>Account Title</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
<u>General Fund</u>				
2020-05-01	A-1355-0400	Assessor Expense	29,817	
	A-1355-0100	Town Assessor -Adjust for Assessor Salary		29,817
2020-05-02	A-1680-0450	DATA Support Contract	770	
	A 1680-0400	DATA Expense -Transfer for New Contract Budget		770
2020-05-03	A-3510-0440	Dog Control Contract	750	
	A-3510-0400	Dog Control Expense -Adjust for New Contract Amount		750
2020-05-04	A-7110-0450	Parks Equip Maintenance	500	
	A-7110-0400	Parks Expense -Transfer for Equipment Maintenance		500
<u>Highway Fund</u>				
2020-05-05	DA-5112-0210	Permanent Improvement		100,000
	DA-0000-9910	Fund Balance -Remove extra funding for Road Paving		100,000
<u>Sewer Fund</u>				
2020-05-06	SS-8189-0480	Other Expenses	1,000	
	SS-8189-0470	Special Services		1,000

-Transfer for Testing / Other Expenses

Seconded: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Dated: June 2, 2020

RESOLUTION NO. 06:2:20 – 4 (86)
RE: APPOINTMENT TO CONSERVANCY ADVISORY BOARD (CAC)

COUNCILMAN SWARTZ 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 Katie Whittaker 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 Katie Whittaker to the CAC Board.

Seconded: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Dated: June 2, 2020

RESOLUTION NO. 06:2:20 – 5 (87)

**RE: AUTHORIZING THE CLOSING OF THE WATERFRONT / BEACH AREA AND
SUMMER CAMPS FOR THE 2020 SEASON**

COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, there exists a declared coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic by the World Health Organization, the CDC and the recognition of its present and substantial impact to the United State generally, and the State of New York specifically, by the respective declarations of emergencies by the President and Governor; and

WHEREAS, such pandemic has forced the temporary closing of many Town park facilities, programs and camps; and

WHEREAS, while New York State has begun the process of re-opening many segments of the community and economy, public recreation facilities and programs are not predicted to be permitted anytime soon; and

WHEREAS, based upon the guidance from the Dutchess County Department of Health, the New York State Department of Health and other local, state and federal officials, the Town is desirous of closing, for the 2020 season, the Town Waterfront and Beach Area as well as all summer camps;

NOW, therefore, be it resolved, the Town Board of the Town of Beekman due to Health and Safety Concerns for Residents and Staff hereby authorizes the closing of the Town Waterfront and Beach Area, as well as all summer camp programs for the 2020 summer season.

Seconded: COUNCILMAN STIEGLER

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Dated: June 2, 2020

RESOLUTION NO. 6:2:20- 6 (88)

**RE: AUTHORIZING THE BUILDING INSPECTOR TO APPROVE TEMPORARY
SUSPENSION OF ENFORCEMENT OF OUTDOOR DINING RESTRICTIONS AND
ANCILLARY OFF-STREET PARKING REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN THE BUILDING
ZONE ORDINANCE OR LAND USE RESTRICTIONS UNTIL FURTHER
DETERMINATION OF THE TOWN BOARD, SUBJECT TO SPECIFIED CONDITIONS.**

COUNCILMAN WERNER

offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has led to necessary closures of lawfully operating restaurants in the Town of Beekman; and

WHEREAS, outdoor dining at lawfully operating restaurants and food establishments, excluding bars, are subject to the provisions of required off-street parking spaces or other land use restrictions under the Town Zoning Code; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board is mindful of both the public health concerns and the public interest of safely and gradually reopening businesses; and

WHEREAS, allowing restaurants and food establishment, where feasible, the opportunity to reopen for the safe conduct of outdoor dining, subject to approval and conditions hereinafter set forth, is a prudent measure that rationally balances those public interests;

NOW, therefore, be it resolved, that the Town of Beekman Building Inspector be and hereby is authorized as a matter of prosecutorial discretion to suspend enforcement of the zoning requirements or land use restrictions or obtain an Outdoor Dining Permit and maintain required off-street parking for outdoor dining at a lawful restaurant and food establishment in an intensity no greater than its current intensity, subject to the following conditions:

1. A permit for a Temporary Outdoor Dining be submitted and issued from the Town of Beekman Building Inspector; and

2. All compulsory social distancing and other applicable COVID-19 requirements shall be observed; and

3. No patron of the restaurant or food establishment shall be permitted within the interior of the restaurant or food establishment unless and until authorized by Order of the Governor of New York State or other controlling authority; and

4. Prior submission to the Building Department to two (2) copies of a property survey showing the proposed location of outdoor tables and chairs with the total outdoor occupancy indicated, as well as the areas on-site devoted to off-street parking; and

5. As to be shown on the survey, all temporary outdoor dining areas must be protected from vehicular traffic for occupant safety, in the judgment of the Building Department and the Fire Inspector's Office; and

6. As to be shown on the survey, tables and chairs of non-fixed seating shall maintain appropriate social distancing standards; and

7. Such survey shall be signed, stamped and dated "Approved" by the Building Department and kept on premises during operation for viewing by law enforcement, and in the event of approval, not greater than 25% of the required on-site off-street parking area shall be obstructed, and all tables and chairs shall be removed by 10 P.M.;

8. Every business must secure and maintain throughout the term of the license liability insurance issued by a company duly authorized to do business in the State of New York, insuring the business and the Town of Beekman and to hold them harmless from and against any claim, injury, or damages caused or alleged to be caused by or as a result of the construction, operation or use of the outdoor seating in an amount set by the Town;

9. No outdoor dining shall be permitted after 10:00 p.m.; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that nothing herein shall be deemed to supersede any New York State or federal requirements, including those dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the Town Board and remain in effect until further resolution of the Town Board.

Seconded: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Dated: June 2, 2020

RESOLUTION NO. 06:2:20 – 7 (89)
RE: APPROVE DISPOSAL OF COPY MACHINE

COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the copier in the Town Clerk’s office is in need of repair and it was determined that the cost of repair is prohibitive due to the age of the machine; and

WHEREAS, a new copier was purchased to replace it; and

WHEREAS, the old copier is of no value or use to the town; 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 Konica Minolta Copier Model bizhub C280 in a manner that is environmentally safe.

Seconded: COUNCILMAN SWARTZ

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Dated: June 2, 2020

RESOLUTION NO. 06:02:20 – 8 (90)
RE: Payment of Claims

SUPERVISOR COVUCCI 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	\$ 98,786.53
Claims to be paid from the DA-Highway Fund	\$ 302,776.44
Claims to be paid from the SS-Dover Ridge Sewer Fund	\$ 60.67
Claims to be paid from the SW-Dover Ridge Water Fund	\$ 414.35
Claims to be paid from the T-Trust & Agency Fund	<u>\$ 1,177.50</u>
	<u>\$ 403,215.49</u>

Payroll #10 Paid on 5/14/2020

General Fund	\$ 31,905.72
Highway Fund	<u>\$ 16,033.76</u>
	<u>\$ 47,939.48</u>

Payroll #11 Paid on 5/28/2020

General Fund	\$ 31,748.45
Highway Fund	<u>\$ 19,685.26</u>
	<u>\$ 51,433.71</u>

Highway:

*\$200,000 repay GF for advance for cash flow early 2020 voucher payment

*\$80,141.58 Bond Payment Road Improvements

Seconded: COUNCILMAN STIEGLER

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Stiegler AYE

Councilman Battaglini AYE

Councilman Swartz AYE

Councilwoman Woehrman AYE

Supervisor Covucci AYE

Dated: June 2, 2020

Dated: June 2, 2020 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 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. Due to the meeting not be opened to the public, a roll call vote was completed by the Town Clerk Laureen Abbatantuono to show a full quorum was in place. Supervisor Covucci went over the Resolutions.

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GENERAL BOARD COMMENTS: Supervisor Covucci wanted to thank Katie for coming on board with the CAC. Supervisor Covucci also provided a detailed report which included State mandated guidelines as to why the Town of Beekman will not be able to open the camps and beach this Summer. SUPERVISOR COVUCCI and the TOWN OF BEEKMAN BOARD MEMBERS are disheartened by having to make this decision but look forward to seeing everyone enjoying themselves in 2021. Both COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI and COUNCILMAN SWARTZ also added that their decision was not an easy one to make but they know they did make the right call due to the unforeseen circumstances. COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI was also sorry to say that as of June 1 the Beekman Fire Department will be stopping the birthday parades. As NY begins to reopen the department will begin its training protocol but did add that it was a pleasure to be able to do this for our residents. SUPERVISOR COVUCCI, COUNCILMAN SWARTZ AND COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI also wanted to comment regarding Resolution #6, Outdoor dining for our Town of Beekman small business restaurants. COUNCILMAN SWARTZ, we have to do all we can to support our small businesses, SUPERVISOR

COVUCCI, we need to be supportive and provide as much opportunity that we can to those in our Town. COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI, is glad to be a part of this effort.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were no comments made.
SUPERVISOR COVUCCI made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:26pm, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN STIEGLER
All in favor. RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, LAUREEN ABBATANTUONO
TOWN CLERK