

**BEEKMAN TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING – MARCH 1, 2017**

The Regular Meeting of the Beekman Town Board was called to order at 7:05PM with Supervisor Barbara Zulauf presiding. The Meeting was held in the meeting room at Town Hall.

THOSE PRESENT:       SUPERVISOR BARBARA ZULAUF  
                          COUNCILMAN EZIO BATTAGLINI  
                          COUNCILWOMAN MARY COVUCCI  
                          COUNCILMAN WERNER STIEGLER  
                          COUNCILMAN MICHAEL DEL VECCHIO

Supervisor Barbara Zulauf 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 Zulauf made one administrative announcement regarding the location of fire exits.

PRESENTATIONS:

Sprint Cell Tower – Hillel Gedrich & Robert Medina were present this evening to discuss the installation of a portable, temporary cell tower at Town Center Park. They would lease the space from the Town for \$500 per month for a maximum of two years. Several residents had questions about the tower and stated their concerns with its placement.

Eagle Scout Project by Brendan Kackley – Eagle Scout, Brandan Kackley, gave a presentation of his proposed project. He would like to construct and install three park benches at the Dog Park. He will purchase the materials and have volunteers assist in the construction. Finally, he will deliver them to the Park to be installed. Town Engineer, Jon Bodendorf, recommended that he go below frost line with the footings.

PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEMS & RESOLUTIONS:

There was no public comment this evening.

RESOLUTIONS:

**RESOLUTION NO. 3:1:17 – 1 (37)**  
**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 15, 2017 Town Board Meeting and the February 21, 2017 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 February 15, 2017 Town Board Meeting and the February 21, 2017 Special town Board Meeting.

Seconded   COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Covucci        AYE  
Councilman Stiegler            AYE

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Councilman Del Vecchio AYE  
Councilman Battaglini AYE  
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**RESOLUTION NO. 3:1:17 – 2 (38)**  
**RE: Accept Donation of Bounce House for Egg Hunt from Party Hopper**

COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, annually the Recreation Department has held an old fashion egg hunt for the residents of the Town; and

WHEREAS, in the past the Town has entered into an agreement with the Party Hopper whereby the Party Hopper provides a Bounce House at the Event and the Town grants the Party Hopper permission to be the sole vendor of food at the event; and

WHEREAS, the value of the agreement is \$265.00 and requires no formal procurement; and therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman hereby agrees to permit the Party Hopper to be the sole food vendor at the Egg Hunt to be held on April 8, 2017 in exchange for the Party Hopper providing a Bounce House at the Event.

Seconded SUPERVISOR ZULAUF

ROLL CALL VOTE:  
Councilwoman Covucci AYE  
Councilman Stiegler AYE  
Councilman Del Vecchio AYE  
Councilman Battaglini AYE  
Supervisor Zulauf AYE  
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**RESOLUTION NO. 3:1:17 – 3 (39)**  
**RE: Pi Day Math and Physics Exploration**

SUPERVISOR ZULAUF offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, “Pi Day” is observed annually on March 14<sup>th</sup> throughout the world commemorating the mathematical constant  $\pi$  (pi which is 3.14); and

WHEREAS, the Town of Beekman is proud to proclaim that March 14<sup>th</sup> will be **Math Recognition Day** in the Town of Beekman: and

WHEREAS, Math and Physics Exploration, Inc., with the cooperation of the Arlington Central School District, will select the students to be recognized annually using the Twelve Labours of Minerva examination; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman does hereby enthusiastically proclaim March 14 as Math Recognition Day; and be it further

RESOLVED, that originally signed proclamation be presented to the Math and Physics Exploration Inc. under the Great Seal of the Town of Beekman, Dutchess County, State of New York.

Seconded COUNCILMAN DEL VECCHIO

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ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Covucci AYE  
Councilman Stiegler AYE  
Councilman Del Vecchio AYE  
Councilman Battaglini AYE  
Supervisor Zulauf AYE  
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**RESOLUTION NO. 3:1:17 – 4 (40)**  
**RE: Approve Blue Bird Houses at Beekman Library**

COUNCILMAN DEL VECCHIO offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Ralph T. Waterman Birding Club is interested to donate and install two (2) Eastern Bluebird Nesting Boxes at Beekman Library; and

WHEREAS, the Ralph T. Waterman Birding Club has submitted specific information on the Blue Bird Nesting Boxes for review of the Town Board; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Ralph T. Waterman Birding Club to install two (2) Eastern Bluebird Nesting Boxes at the Beekman Library.

Seconded COUNCILMAN STIEGLER

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Covucci AYE  
Councilman Stiegler AYE  
Councilman Del Vecchio AYE  
Councilman Battaglini AYE  
Supervisor Zulauf AYE  
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**RESOLUTION NO. 03:01:17 – 5 (41)**  
**RE: Authorize Trips for Senior Citizens**

COUNCILWOMAN COVUCCI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the 2017 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:

<b>DATE</b>	<b>VENUE/Bus Cost</b>	<b>Resident Seniors</b>	<b>Non-resident Non-Senior (Grandfathered)</b>	<b>Non-Resident Non-Senior (After 2016)</b>
June 22nd	NY Botanical Garden <b>Bus Cost \$1080</b>	\$35	\$45	\$55

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**Bus Deposit due \$200**

July 27 <sup>th</sup>	Kruckers Picnic Grove Pomona, NY <b>Bus Cost \$955</b> <b>Bus Deposit due \$200</b>	\$58	\$68	\$78
August 17 <sup>th</sup>	Madava/Crown Maple Dover, NY <b>Bus Cost \$0</b>	\$41	\$42	\$44
September 11 <sup>th</sup>	Dutch Apple Cruise/Lunch Albany, NY <b>Bus Cost \$1195</b> <b>Bus Deposit due \$200</b>	\$51	\$61	\$71
October 12 <sup>th</sup>	Ellis Island <b>Bus Cost \$1120</b> <b>Bus Deposit \$200</b>	\$30	\$40	\$50
November 30	Mansions Tour/Lunch <b>Bus Cost \$860</b> <b>Bus Deposit due \$200</b>	\$47	\$57	\$67
December 14	Westchester Broadway <b>Bus Cost \$955</b> <b>Bus Deposit due \$200</b>	\$59	\$69	\$79

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 DEL VECCHIO

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Covucci AYE  
Councilman Stiegler AYE  
Councilman Del Vecchio AYE  
Councilman Battaglini AYE  
Supervisor Zulauf AYE  
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**RESOLUTION NO. 3:1:17 – 6 (42)**  
**RE: Payment of Claims**

COUNCILMAN STIEGLER offers the following and moves for its adoption:

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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	\$ 1,414,627.02
Claims to be paid from the DA-Highway Fund	\$ 87,300.92
Claims to be paid from the SS – Dover Ridge Sewer District Fund	\$ 26,454.84
Claims to be paid from the SW – Dover Ridge Water District Fund	\$ <u>2,018.95</u>
	\$ 1,530,401.73

Payroll Paid 2/23/2017	\$ 72,824.43
General Fund	\$ 34,426.39
Highway Fund	\$ 38,398.04

Seconded SUPERVISOR ZULAUF

**\*\*\*Supervisor Zulauf made a friendly amendment to the first WHEREAS paragraph to change Comptroller to Supervisor has audited and approved claims. Seconded by Councilman Del Vecchio. All in favor.\*\*\***

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Covucci AYE  
Councilman Stiegler AYE  
Councilman Del Vecchio AYE  
Councilman Battaglini AYE  
Supervisor Zulauf AYE

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OTHER BUSINESS:

**RESOLUTION NO. 3:1:17 – 7  
RE: Authorize Eagle Scout Project**

COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, Boy Scout, Brendan Kackley, is working to achieve the rank of Eagle Scout and has proposed a project that would benefit the Town of Beekman at Doherty Park; and

WHEREAS, the project would involve construction of benches at Doherty Park; and

WHEREAS, materials for the construction of these benches is the responsibility of Brendan Kackley, through donations and volunteers; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby approve the project outlined by Brendan Kackley and does hereby authorize him and his assistants to plan and construct benches at Doherty Park.

Seconded COUNCILMAN DEL VECCHIO

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Covucci AYE  
Councilman Stiegler AYE

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### **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

Len Jerrum, Beyer Drive, questioned the Board if the pot holes in the Town Hall parking lot can be fixed. He also asked if the Marcus Molinaro Town Hall Forum on March 9, 2017 could be videoed.

Debbie Jarry, Route 216, gave a presentation a few months ago pertaining to the pesticides we use on our fields that are harmful to bees. She is requesting that the Town stop using these pesticides and look for a natural, chemical-free way to maintain the fields. She is asking that the Board let her know their decision soon.

### **GENERAL BOARD COMMENT**

Supervisor Zulauf stated that County Executive, Marcus Molinaro will be hosting a Town Hall Forum on Thursday, March 9, 2017 at 6PM at Beekman Town Hall. All are welcome to attend.

Councilman Del Vecchio advised the public that the Rec Advisory Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 8, 2017. He mentioned that Arlington Schools have a half day on Friday, March 10, 2017 and the Rec is hosting a School's out program for anyone who is interested. Saturday, March 11, 2017 the Rec is having a Laser Tag program for grades 8-12. Friday, March 24, 2017 is Ladies night where they will be crafting lantern centerpieces. Lastly, the senior bus trip/play will be "Cagney" on May 25, 2017.

Supervisor Zulauf announced the next meeting of the Beekman Town Board is Wednesday, March 15, 2017 at 7:00PM.

Supervisor Zulauf made the motion to move to Executive Session at 8:35PM seconded by Councilman Del Vecchio, to discuss medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or relating to appointment, promotion, demotion, discipline or removal. All in favor.

Supervisor Zulauf took the minutes following Executive Session.

At 9:22PM the Board returns from Executive Session taking the following action: Supervisor Zulauf offers the following and moves for its adoption; WHEREAS the Town is interested in hiring two part time bookkeepers for the purpose of financial reconstruction, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that two part-time bookkeepers be hired with a fee not to exceed \$30 per hour, seconded by Councilman Del Vecchio. Roll call vote: Councilman Del Vecchio – AYE, Councilwoman Covucci – AYE, Councilman Stiegler – AYE, Councilman Battaglini – AYE, Supervisor Zulauf - AYE.

Supervisor Zulauf offers the following and moves for its adoption, WHEREAS Thomas Carey was hired as a consultant on February 15, 2017 now THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Thomas Carey be hired at a rate not to exceed \$90.00 per hour. Seconded by Councilman Stiegler. Roll Call Vote: Councilman Del Vecchio – AYE, Councilwoman Covucci – AYE, Councilman Stiegler – AYE, Councilman Battaglini – AYE, Supervisor Zulauf – AYE.

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ADJOURN:

At 9:23PM with no further business to conduct, Supervisor Zulauf made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Del Vecchio. All in favor.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

RACHAEL RANCOURT  
TOWN CLERK