

## BEEKMAN TOWN BOARD – REGULAR MEETING – SEPTEMBER 16, 2015

The Regular Meeting of the Beekman Town Board was called to order at 7:00PM with Supervisor Barbara Zulauf presiding. The Meeting was held in the meeting room at Town Hall.

THOSE PRESENT: SUPERVISOR BARBARA ZULAUF  
COUNCILMAN MICHAEL DEL VECCHIO  
COUNCILMAN MICHAEL MORAN  
COUNCILMAN WERNER STIEGLER  
ALSO PRESENT: TOWN ATTORNEY, MICHAEL VARBLE  
ABSENT: COUNCILMAN EZIO BATTAGLINI

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. She made one administrative announcement regarding the location of fire exits.

### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

#### Amendments to Chapter 155 (Zoning) Hamlets

Town Engineer, Jon Bodendorf opened this public hearing stating that the Board is desirous to re-establish the Beekmanville Hamlet Zoning to allow property owners more flexibility with what is permissible in that area. One property owner was present this evening to offer his comments. The Town Board will keep this Public Hearing open to gather further information and will continue it at the next Town Board meeting.

#### CDBG Project for new Senior Center

Town Engineer, Jon Bodendorf presented a project to construct a new Senior Center Building at the Rec Park. The Town will apply for a CDBG grant and if awarded could receive up to \$100,000 for this building. We welcome public input on this project and will accept written comments up until the next Town Board meeting. At 7:21PM Councilman Del Vecchio made the motion to close this hearing seconded by Councilman Stiegler. All in favor.

### **PRESENTATION**

Comptroller – Andrew Forman began his report this evening stating that the independent auditors should have their completed report within the next few weeks. He has concluded Department Head meetings with respect to the 2016 budget. The tentative budget will be submitted to the Town Clerk by September 30, 2015 which she will file with the Board no later than October 5, 2015. He then gave an up-to-date summary of revenues and expenses for the General Fund for 2015.

### **REPORTS:**

#### **SUPERVISOR**

Supervisor Zulauf stated that she attended meetings with Department Heads concerning their requested budget. The Supervisor mentioned that the Dover Ridge Water District suffered from a leak but has already been repaired. She attended the September 11<sup>th</sup> Memorial Service hosted by Heather Cooper and thanked her for hosting a touching service. Last night Beekman hosted a Dutchess County Transportation meeting which was fairly well attended.

#### **TOWN BOARD**

**Councilman Stiegler** attended the 9/11 Memorial Service and the Dutchess County Transportation meeting.

**Councilman Del Vecchio** reported that the Rec Commission didn't meet due to lack of quorum; however, it is tentatively re-scheduled for September 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Councilman Moran** reported that the first electronic salt and sand spreader was installed on the Highway plow truck. He also stated that Highway Superintendent, Tony Coviello has created a road pavement management plan which he will share with the Board during his report.

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**HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT**

Tony Coviello, Highway Superintendent, reported that the 2015 284 Agreement has been completed and over four lane miles have been re-striped. Over the past two weeks the men have been responding to downed trees blocking the roadways, and assisted with a water main break at Dover Ridge. We have begun to receive our salt deliveries in preparation for this upcoming winter. The Highway Department is working on opening up the end of Depot Hill to make it passable to emergency vehicles. Town wide littering is becoming more and more of an issue. Tony suggests increasing the fine to see if that will deter people from littering. In closing, Tony distributed a road pavement management plan to the Board which described the current condition of each road and the cost to resurface them.

Supervisor Zulauf announced that Councilman Battaglini is absent this evening due to a work commitment.

**PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEMS & RESOLUTIONS:**

There was no public comment this evening.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 09:16:15 – 1 (108)**  
**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 September 2, 2015 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 September 2, 2015 Town Board Meeting.

Seconded COUNCILMAN DEL VECCHIO

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Councilman Moran	AYE
Councilman Stiegler	ABSTAIN
Councilman Del Vecchio	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	ABSENT
Supervisor Zulauf	AYE

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**RESOLUTION NO. 09:16:15 – 2 (109)**  
**RE: Set Public Hearing for Local Law for Grievance Day**

SUPERVISOR ZULAUF offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town Board is desirous in amending Town Code Chapter 135, titled “Taxation”; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to properly state the date set for Grievance Day in Chapter 135; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board passed a Resolution on January 8, 2014 authorizing Grievance Day be set for the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday after the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday in May; now therefore be it

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RESOLVED, that a Public Hearing be held so the Town Board can receive Public comment on the date for Grievance Day and said public hearing shall be scheduled for the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October 2015 at 7:00pm at Town Hall, 4 Main Street, Poughquag, New York in the Town of Beekman, and that notice of the time and place of such hearing be posted and published on or before the 21<sup>st</sup> of September in the Poughkeepsie Journal, a newspaper circulating in the Town of Beekman as well as the Town of Beekman website and posted on the bulletin board in the Town Clerk’s office; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board will also accept written Public comments until October 7, 2015.

Seconded COUNCILMAN MORAN

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Moran AYE  
Councilman Stiegler AYE  
Councilman Del Vecchio AYE  
Councilman Battaglini ABSENT  
Supervisor Zulauf AYE

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**RESOLUTION NO. 09:16:15 – 3 (110)**  
**RE: Approve Girl Scout Gold Award Project**

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

WHEREAS, Katrina Poon would like to construct a trail at the Recreation Center for her Girl Scout Gold Award; and

WHEREAS, Katrina has proposed her trail to be a continuation of the existing walking trail; and

WHEREAS, Katrina has spoken with the Recreation Director, Jeanne Scigliano, and the Town Engineer, Jon Bodendorf, of her project plans; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Beekman appreciates the volunteer efforts of the Girl Scouts as their work advocates civic responsibility, community service and provides lifelong lessons to Beekman Youth; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes Katrina Poon to construct the walking trail at the Recreation Center; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Katrina Poon may consult with the Recreation Director and the Town Engineer for assistance with her walking trail at Beekman Recreation Center.

Seconded COUNCILMAN STIEGLER

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Moran AYE  
Councilman Stiegler AYE  
Councilman Del Vecchio AYE  
Councilman Battaglini ABSENT  
Supervisor Zulauf AYE

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**RESOLUTION NO. 09:16:15 – 4 (111)**  
**RE: Award Bid for Clean-Up Day**

COUNCILMAN MORAN offers the following and moves for its adoption:

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WHEREAS, Town clean-up day has been scheduled for Saturday October 24, 2015 between the hours of 7:00am and 2:00pm in the Town Hall parking lot; and

WHEREAS, bids were received for services as described in the legal published notice and opened and read publicly by the Town Clerk on September 1, 2015 at 10:00am; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Recycle Depot be awarded the contract for clean-up day; and be if further

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor be and hereby is authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to carry out the services.

Seconded COUNCILMAN DEL VECCHIO

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Moran	AYE
Councilman Stiegler	AYE
Councilman Del Vecchio	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	ABSENT
Supervisor Zulauf	AYE

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**RESOLUTION NO. 09:16:15 – 5 (112)**  
**RE: Authorize Budget Modifications**

COUNCILMAN STIEGLER offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, a request for Budget adjustment has been received from the Comptroller; and

WHEREAS, unbudgeted for activity within the HRA (Health Insurance Reimbursement Account) required the adjustment of the 2015 Adopted Budget Expenses; and

WHEREAS, the Comptroller has requested an increase in the Expense line A. 9060.0800 (Health Insurance) by \$40,000 and a decrease in the Expense line A.1990.0400 (Contingency) of \$40,000; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Beekman hereby approves the Budget Adjustment for the Employee Benefits Department.

Seconded SUPERVISOR ZULAUF

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Moran	AYE
Councilman Stiegler	AYE
Councilman Del Vecchio	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	ABSENT
Supervisor Zulauf	AYE

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**RESOLUTION NO. 09:16:15 – 6 (113)**  
**RE: Authorize Request for Proposals for Mowing and Plowing at Dover Ridge**

SUPERVISOR ZULAUF offers the following and moves for its adoption:

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WHEREAS, the Town of Beekman has the opportunity to authorize mowing and plowing services to Dover Ridge in regard to the Water and sewer Districts; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to investigate opportunities for these services; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board would like to advertise a request for proposal for mowing and plowing services for Dover Ridge Water and Sewer Districts; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Town Clerk to advertise a Request for Proposal for mowing and plowing for Dover Ridge Water and Sewer Districts ; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Request for Proposals will be advertised in the Poughkeepsie Journal, on the Town Clerk’s bulletin board and posted on the Town of Beekman website.

Seconded COUNCILMAN DEL VECCHIO

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Moran	AYE
Councilman Stiegler	AYE
Councilman Del Vecchio	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	ABSENT
Supervisor Zulauf	AYE

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**RESOLUTION NO. 09:16:15 – 7 (114)**  
**RE: Authorize Attendance at Solar Panel Zoning Class**

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

WHEREAS, Dutchess County Planning Federation is offering a workshop for Zoning for Solar Energy to be held at the Dutchess County Farm and Home Center, Thursday September 24, 2015 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm; and

WHEREAS, this workshop will offer strategies and best practices for developing a clear, comprehensive and enforceable Solar Regulatory Framework; and

WHEREAS, Town Supervisor, Barbara Zulauf and Town Engineer Jon Bodendorf, are desirous in attending this workshop; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Town Supervisor, Barbara Zulauf and Town Engineer, Jon Bodendorf are authorized to attend the Zoning for Solar Energy Workshop; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the cost of this workshop is not to exceed \$5.00 per person.

Seconded SUPEVISOR ZULAUF

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Moran	AYE
Councilman Stiegler	AYE
Councilman Del Vecchio	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	ABSENT
Supervisor Zulauf	AYE

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**RESOLUTION NO. 09:16:15 – 8 (115)**  
**RE: Authorize Funding for 2016 Mack Truck**

COUNCILMAN MORAN offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town has ordered and will shortly be in receipt of a new 2016 Mack Granite GU712 Truck for the Highway Department; and

WHEREAS, the Comptroller has received the following bids to finance the purchasing of this truck commencing on April 1, 2016 via a 5 year Lease/Purchase agreement:  
Purchase Price - \$260,138

<u>Bank</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Annual Payments</u>	<u>Purchase Price</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total Financed</u>
Key Bank	2.89%	\$55,869.15	\$260,138	\$19,207.73	\$279,345.73
First Niagara	2.89%	\$55,842.15	\$260,138	\$19,072.75	\$279,210.75
M & T Bank	2.778%	\$55,722.05	\$260,138	\$18,472.25	\$278,610.25

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor be and hereby is authorized to enter into a lease/purchase agreement with M & T Bank for the acquisition of a new 2016 Mack Granite GU712 Truck for the Highway Department for a total cost of \$278,610.25.

Seconded SUPERVISOR ZULAUF

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Moran AYE  
Councilman Stiegler AYE  
Councilman Del Vecchio AYE  
Councilman Battaglini ABSENT  
Supervisor Zulauf AYE

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**RESOLUTION NO. 09:16:15 – 9 (116)**

**RE: Authorize Request for Proposals for Additional Engineering Services Related to TCP Pavilion Repair**

COUNCILMAN STIEGLER offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town Board is desirous in making needed repairs to the Town Center Park Pavilion; and

WHEREAS, damage to the Town Center Park Pavilion has been noticed and a report written by M.A. Day Engineering PC, noting the structural damage; and

WHEREAS, a request for proposals is needed in proceeding for additional special engineering services related to Town Center Park Pavilion repair, including preparing drawings and specifications needed for recommended repair; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Town Clerk to advertise a request for proposals for special engineering services for Town Center Park Pavilion; and be it further

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RESOLVED, that the request for proposals be advertised in the Poughkeepsie Journal, on the Town Clerk’s bulletin board and on the homepage of the Town of Beekman website.

Seconded COUNCILMAN DEL VECCHIO

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Moran AYE  
Councilman Stiegler AYE  
Councilman Del Vecchio AYE  
Councilman Battaglini ABSENT  
Supervisor Zulauf AYE

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**RESOLUTION NO. 09:16:15 – 10 (117)  
RE: Set Fee Schedule for TCP Pavilion**

SUPERVISOR ZULAUF offers the following and moves for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Recreation Department along with the Town Board sets fees for Recreation Programs; and

WHEREAS, the instructor hourly rental fees needs to be amended to incorporate hourly fees for Indoor Service Counter at the Town Center Pavilion; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Town Center Park Indoor Service counter be added to the Instructor hourly rental fees with \$10.00 per hour for Beekman residents and \$20.00 per hour for all others (non-residents); and be it further

RESOLVED, that these fees take effect as of September 16, 2015.

Seconded COUNCILMAN STIEGLER

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Moran AYE  
Councilman Stiegler AYE  
Councilman Del Vecchio AYE  
Councilman Battaglini ABSENT  
Supervisor Zulauf AYE

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**RESOLUTION NO. 09:16:15 – 11 (118)  
RE: Payment of Claims**

COUNCILMAN DEL VECCHIO 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	\$ 81,651.71
Claims to be paid from the DA-Highway Fund	\$ 6,585.41
Claims to be paid from the SS – Dover Ridge Sewer	<u>\$ 1,325.00</u>
	\$ 89,562.12

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Payroll 18                      Paid 9/10/2015                      \$     59,204.50

General Fund    \$39,820.97  
Highway Fund    \$19,383.53

Seconded        SUPERVISOR ZULAUF

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Councilman Moran                      AYE  
Councilman Stiegler                      AYE  
Councilman Del Vecchio                      AYE  
Councilman Battaglini                      ABSENT  
Supervisor Zulauf                      AYE

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**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Town Attorney, Michael Varble was present this evening to address concerns from residents of Robin Court who were present at the last Town Board Meeting. The residents were present again this evening and had the opportunity to have discussions with the Attorney.

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Neil Martin, 2053 Route 55, spoke about the fields and parks within Town.

Len Jerrum, Beyer Drive, attended the Dutchess County Transportation meeting last night.

**GENERAL BOARD COMMENT:**

Councilman Stiegler mentioned that the Town applied for grants to improve Van Wyck Park; however, it should remain closed until the improvements are completed.

Councilman Del Vecchio reminded the public about Fall Festival on Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup> 1pm – 4pm at the Rec Park and Town Cleanup Day is Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup> from 7am – 2pm at the Highway Garage.

Councilman Moran mentioned the Library Family Fun Day, this Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 12PM.

Supervisor Zulauf announced the Senior Picnic is Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup> from 11AM – 2PM.

At 9:14PM Supervisor Zulauf made a motion to move to executive session to discuss proposed, pending and current litigation. The motion was seconded by Councilman Del Vecchio, all were in favor.

At 10:03PM the Board returns from executive session taking no action.

**ADJOURN:**

At 10:03PM with no further business to conduct, Councilman Del Vecchio made the motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Councilman Stiegler. All in Favor.

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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

RACHAEL RANCOURT  
TOWN CLERK