

TOWN OF AMENIA
Town Board Meeting
Thursday, January 10, 2013
Amenia Town Hall

Supervisor Flood moved, seconded by C/Riemer to call to order the meeting.

Salute to the flag was conducted;

There was a moment of silence for the military serving in this country and around the world.

Emergency exits are behind the Town Clerk and at the rear of the room behind the audience at the door entered.

Roll Call

Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
Councilman Hoss	Aye
Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
Supervisor Flood	Aye

Public Comments

Kevin Cassone invited all to help on Saturday with the de-decorating of the town.

Highway Report- Stan Whitehead, Highway Superintendent

No report given

Town Clerk's Report- Dawn Marie Klingner

Mrs. Klingner thanked the voters for their support, and announced the taxes have been received from the County; they will be mailed out no later than January 15th. If you do not receive your tax bill by the end of next week please feel free to contact the office.

Water Department Report- Marco D'Anotnio, Natural Water Services. Inc.

Mr. D'Antonio reported that usage was slightly higher during the month of December. The well head assessment is being completed free of charge; this will take between three and four months before the report is completed. The water committee is looking to have a system evaluation completed; the engineering costs approximate twenty thousand dollars this is just an estimate no formal inquiries have been sought. NY Rural Water is to complete a free review of the cross contamination program; this will take approximately one to two months for a report.

Arlene Iuliano, Town Historian

Ms. Iuliano reported that she has several posters regarding the War of 1812 that have been displayed in Havens Real Estate windows for the past few months and would like to bring them to the town hall. She has received her complimentary membership from the Dutchess County Historical Society. She announced Jan 16th at the Millerton Movie House the Poughkeepsie Journal will be offering a free scanning event. Currently the Poughkeepsie Journal is seeking photos and memorabilia that depict political groups of the early days of Dutchess County. She has received a permit from NYS DOT Chuck Walters for the install of the historical land marker, and will bring to the permit town clerk's office to be filed.

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Recreation Commission, Christine Ford, Commission Chairperson

Ms. Ford welcomed the public to attend the recreation commission meetings that are held on the second Tuesday of the month. She announced save the dates for the upcoming free movie nights: Friday, Feb. 1st and March 1st. Ms. Ford thanked Jim Devine for proving the sound system; William Ford and Zachary Klingner for making all the popcorn; Thomas and Harrison Ford for set up and cleanup and Victoria Perotti and Dawn Klingner who have opened and stayed to lock up the building. Mulch was placed around the playground at the Wassaic Park. Ms. Ford expressed a concern that those who are walking their pets are not cleaning up behind them; please lend a helping hand in picking up behind your pet, and if you see garbage please pick it up rather than calling it in. Fran will be running the concession stand again this year at the ball park. There will be a volunteer weekend to help paint the bleachers and start the fields; dates to be announced. The Cheerleading program is moving forward. The girls have started their second session. They are preparing for a March exposition. They are working on a fundraiser to purchase another mat, date to be announced. Amenia Farm League signups will take place on March 16th and 23rd from 9am to 12pm. She is working with the Webutuck athletic director to allow high school students to umpire the games and receive community service credits in return.

Returning coaches are DJ Riley for Babe Ruth, Ron Wilson for Connie Mack, and Bob Dunlop will assist coach both Babe Ruth and Connie Mack Chip Watt for girls Softball and Sam Bailey for Little League. Steve Brentari is looking to hold a winter gymnastics class, Contact Chip Watt if you are interested. If there are enough interested a class will be offered at the Town Hall. Adult basketball has started, Sunday 8am until 11am in the gym. The Webutuck youth basketball program is off to a good a start. This will be a great feeder program for the students and in the years to come these 47 children we be better prepared to play school ball. S/Flood inquired if the commission has replied to the Millbrook Prep school who is looking to use the baseball fields this spring, and he inquired when the score boards were going to be installed. C/Doyle suggested a talent day or a battle of the bands in March. S/Flood announced that Sam Bailey was looking having a professional come in and work with the little league.

Enhancement Committee

C/Doyle announced the next meeting will be Wed. Jan 16 at 5:15pm.

Presentation –cyber/IT security policies

Rosalind Cimino presented to the Board information that would be looked for in an IT Audit by the State. Ms. Cimino reviewed the various policy and documents that are required by law. Ms. Cimino will submit an estimate for the cost and time to complete the needed.

Main Street Grant

C/Doyle provided an update. The committee has met and reviewed the six applications. M.Hagerty further explained that the two applicants that appear to be the strongest meet the priorities as listed in the grant application. J. Fenton, Building Inspector identified the geography of the two buildings to be in the middle of Main Street; they submitted complete scopes of work and fell right in line with the grant description. V/Doyle requested that the supervisor authorize an executive session at the end of the regular meeting allowing the

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committee to meet once more and provide a score for each of the applicants. This will allow for even more completion on how they committee came to their selection.

Recreation Director- open position

S/Flood announced that there are 22 applications received, 8 of which have asked for interviews. C/Riemer asked for references from the applications that they have before them. Discussion among the board resulted in a Special Meeting to be held on Monday, Jan. 21st at 5pm to discuss who will be called for interviews.

Discussion followed regarding the open ZBA seat/chairman position. This will be further discussed at the Jan 21st meeting.

Supervisors Report

S/Flood is awaiting a quote for the heating and air conditioning system and is working with the Bank of Millbrook regarding the tax bank account.

Town Board Comments

C/Doyle announced that Pilobolas class will be on March 2nd from 3-5

Public Comments

Arlene Iuliano commented to the board not to be afraid of an audit; she inquired if the Association of Towns offered classes regarding the computer policies, and asked why Amenia is so delayed in knowing about the policies and updates that where discussed this evening. She also made a point that all the conversations/ comments from the audience may not have been clearly heard since they were not made into the microphone.

C/Doyle motioned, seconded by C/ Riemer

Motion to enter into executive session at 8:43pm

ALL IN FAVOR Aye Motion Carried

C/Doyle, C/Riemer, C/Perotti, John Fenton, Building Inspector and Mike Hagerty, Grant writer remained and participated in executive session.

C/Perotti motioned, seconded by C/ Doyle

Motion to exit executive session at 9:27pm

ALL IN FAVOR Aye Motion Carried

C/Perotti motioned, seconded by C/ Riemer

Motion to return to the regular meeting at 9:27pm

ALL IN FAVOR Aye Motion Carried

All councilmembers present and members of the audience returned to the regular meeting.

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C/Doyle motioned, seconded by C/Riemer

Award Collete Maas Building a total of \$138,800 and the remaining balance of \$21,200 for the Post Office building. These are subject to successful completion of grant requirement.

ALL IN FAVOR Aye Motion Carried

The award amount for the Maas Building is based on the priorities of completing a structure report, repairs to the façade, exterior painting, and basic improvements to the apartments and the priority for the Post Office Building is to complete exterior painting.

S/Flood motioned, seconded by C/Doyle

Motion to adjourn t 9:37pm

ALL IN FAVOR Aye Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted:

Dawn Marie Klingner
Town Clerk

Attached please find the minutes from the subcommittee meeting.

The foregoing represents unapproved minutes of the Town of Amenia Town Board from a meeting held on January 10, 2013 and are not to be construed as the final official minutes until so approved.

 2.14.13 Approved as read on

_____ Approved with: deletions, corrections, and additions

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Town of Amenia Main Street Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
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Attendees: Deputy Supervisor Victoria Perotti, Councilwoman Darlene Riemer, Councilwoman Vicki Doyle, Building Inspector John Fenton, and Grant Writer Michael Hagerty

The committee met in a Town Board Executive Session to once again review the six applications that the Town has received for the building renovations associated with the Town's \$195,000 Main Street grant.

The six applicants were: Colette Maas, Claire Houlihan, the Patels, the Amenia Library, Diane Herold and Grisha Alexier, William and Leslie Flood, and the Amenia Library. The Amenia Library was deemed ineligible at a previous subcommittee meeting.

Each application was reviewed again and scored on a scale of 1 to 5, with 5 being the highest rating and 1 the lowest, in terms of application completeness and ability to pay for the project and the Town's criteria for the Main Street program. Those criteria are:

- Projects that can include renovations of upper story residential units as well as street level commercial units.
- Projects with historic value or historic properties in danger of being lost.
- Projects that address immediate health and safety concerns or projects that remedy a code violation or provide for improved handicapped accessibility.
- Projects that will contribute to the economic revitalization of downtown Amenia.

A summary of the Committee's scoring is listed below:

Applicants	Complete	Mixed Use	Historic	Safety	Economy
Maas	3	5	5	3	5
Houlihan	5	2	5	3	5
Patel	4	3	2	1	3
Herold/Alexier	3	1	3	4	0
Flood	1	1	5	1	3
Library	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

The totals scores were calculated and the applications evaluated with the top two proposals being recommended. The totals were: Maas, 22; Houlihan, 20; Patels, 13; Herold/Alexier, 11; Flood, 11; and Library, n/a.

Submitted by Michael Hagerty