

TOWN OF AMENIA
Town Board Meeting
Thursday, February 28, 2013
Amenia Town Hall

Supervisor Flood moved, seconded by C/Doyle to call to order the meeting at 6:10pm

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 Perotti	Aye
Councilman Hoss	Aye
Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
Supervisor Flood	Aye
Councilwoman Riemer	-late arrived at 7:55pm

C/Hoss motioned, seconded by C/Doyle

Motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of interviews for recreation commission and recreation director.

ALL IN FAVOR Aye Motion Carried

S/Hoss motioned, seconded by C/Doyle

Motion to exit executive session and enter into the regular meeting

ALL IN FAVOR Aye Motion Carried

Also present: Ian MacDonald, Town Attorney

Public Comments

Peter Cascone has been working with the town board since December 2010 in helping create a music and entertainment venue for the town. He was asked to place his project in writing. After the necessary improvements in the auditorium were completed Mr. Cascone arraigned the first event to take place this March. The evening will consist of acoustical performances beginning at 7pm in the auditorium followed by plug in bands at 9pm in the gym. The intention of these events is to continue to upgrade the infrastructure of the hall and the gym with public support. Hoping to attract high school aged individual and older with the choice of music and foods offered. He inquired about the recent concerns of the sale of alcohol. The board, the town attorney and Mr. Cascone discussed alcohol on the property Mr. MacDonald points out that it is legal to have alcohol on town property and in this case it is not preferred by the insurance carrier. Mr. Cascone explained the process is each person of legal drinking age will receive two tickets allowing a max of two – four ounces of wine/beer. Board discussed the possible insurance options. C/Doyle and Mr. Cascone will speak with insurance agent tomorrow.

Recreation Commission- Christine Ford, Chairperson

Webutuck High School will be using the ball fields for practice and games; farm league baseball signups on March 16th and 23rd from 9-12; Cheer leading participated in a cheer exposition on

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February 23rd and on March 8th at 6pm there will be a family and friends night and medal presentations, all welcome; Cheer leading coach is looking to starting a gymnastics programs for ages 4 and up; baseball warm up clinics for grades 7th through 12th is going well, DJ Riley made an indoor pitching mound; Movie night this Friday; and March 30th will be the Easter Egg hunt.

Public Comments Cont.

Cheryl Morse- commented on an investigation about the DC Personnel letter missing from the bookkeepers personnel file and the NYS Police being called. Ms. Morse commented on the water department being given to the County.

Highway Report- Stan Whitehead, Highway Superintendent

no report

Town Clerk's Report- Dawn Marie Klingner, Town Clerk

Mrs. Klingner announced that \$3,403,104.79 has been collected in taxes. The Town tax has been satisfied and now collecting the remaining county share. The Clerks office will be closed on Tuesday March 5th until approximately 10am for a phone training with BAS for the tax program; and the office will be closed on March 18th for a class in Albany by the NYS Comptrollers office. The NYS firearms Opt Out form for firearms may be picked up in the Clerks office; and there is a class offered at the Home and Farm Center in Millbrook for the Planning and ZBA members on March 26th.

Water Department Report- NWS, Marco D'Antonio

Mr. D'Antonio reported the January usage is up due to Well 1 flushing; wires on Well 1 were repaired. 12 meters have been repaired to date. DEC approved the work on Lavelle Road, up to the town if they want to bid out the project; NYRW is completing the well head assessment program is free of charge through FDA funding; two chlorination pumps have been purchased as backups. C/Perotti asked what the estimate cost for the engineering system evaluation is for. Mr. D'Antonio explained the request was from the Water Committee from Morris Associates to obtain an estimate to repair the distribution system. Cross Contamination assessment was completed by NYRW and himself. Mr. Fenton has sent letters to businesses that may be a potential hazard, looking for the Town to approve this. Mr. D'Antonio is looking for the inspections to continue. A program needs to be set in place, reports documented and retained for an audit by the DOH. Potential hazards are as simple as a hose in a sink back flowing or an air pocket. A Certified Backflow inspector would need to complete the inspections. Building Inspector can do this take if he is trained and receives the appropriate certification. Discussion about the town not having a fire rated system and repairs that would be needed to make the improvements. The new billing person will be located in the office upstairs .

Historian Report- Arlene Iuliano

Ms. Iuliano attended a photo scanning for the the historical book by the Poughkeepsie Journal Ms. Iuliano gave an update on the historical committee meeting she attended.

Discussions-

1. Authorize advertisement of bids

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S/Flood motioned, seconded by C/Perotti

Motion to authorize the Clerk to advertise the bids for the painting of the exterior of the building, the Lawn bids and pruning of the trees

ALL IN FAVOR Aye Motion Carried

Supervisor Flood read aloud Resolution #10

S/Flood motioned, seconded by C/Doyle

Motion to execute Resolution # 10 of 2013 Transfer of funds

ALL IN FAVOR Aye Motion Carried

Supervisor Comments:

Supervisor Flood announced new handbook is in and has been distributed. This past Monday the Board meet with a company out of Pennsylvania regarding the new highway garage.

Town Board Comments:

C/Doyle reported on the enhancement committees planting plans; Mark Doyle attended a county CAC meeting and outlined the towns current projects

S/Flood reported that there has been a complaint regarding the Main Street Grant from an applicant who was not selected.

C/Riemer commented on the wonderful art hanging in the hallways.

Arlene Iuliano requested that a place for the historical items to be displayed.

C/Perotti asked what was happening with summer camp

S/Flood motioned, seconded by C/Perotti

Motion to hire Kathleen Howard at the same pay rate as 2012 as Summer Camp Director.

ALL IN FAVOR Aye Motion Carried

Board discussed the boiler issue and one being decommissioned. C/Perotti addressed the concern of needing a heating and cooling system. Waiting on the proposals; the board also discussed the various types of systems available.

C/Perotti also announced the resignation of Charlene Pollinger from the recreation commission

C/Doyle motioned, seconded by C/Hoss

Motion to regretfully accept Charlene Pollinger's resignation

ALL IN FAVOR Aye Motion Carried

S/Flood motioned, seconded by C/Doyle

Motion to appoint Rick Langiu to the open seat on the Recreation Commission.

ALL IN FAVOR Aye Motion Carried

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C/Doyle thanked Tom Werner for all his work on the recreation commission.

S/Flood motioned, seconded by C/Doyle

Motion to authorize the Clerk to advertise for the new open seat for Recreation Commission (fulfilling C. Pollinger's term)

ALL IN FAVOR Aye Motion Carried

S/Flood motioned, seconded by C/Doyle

Motion to enter into executive session to discuss legal matters at 8:35pm

ALL IN FAVOR Aye Motion Carried

C/Doyle motioned, seconded by S/Flood

Motion to exit executive session and return to regular meeting at 9:15pm

ALL IN FAVOR Aye Motion Carried

C/Hoss motioned, seconded by C/Doyle

Motion to deem the Ridge Crest Farms application complete

ALL IN FAVOR Aye Motion Carried

C/Hoss motioned, seconded by C/Doyle

Motion to refer the application to Dutchess County Planning and Development and to the Town of Amenia ZBA; with the note on the referral for the County to review the traffic study.

ALL IN FAVOR Aye Motion Carried

C/Hoss motioned, seconded by C/Riemer

Motion to schedule the public hearing on March 28th at 7PM

ALL IN FAVOR Aye Motion Carried

Attorney MacDonald will prepare the public hearing notice.

S/Flood motioned, seconded by C/Doyle

Motion to adjourn and pay claims at 9:20pm

ALL IN FAVOR Aye Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted:



Dawn Marie Klingner
Town Clerk

The foregoing represents unapproved minutes of the Town of Amenia Town Board from a meeting held on February 28, 2013 and are not to be construed as the final official minutes until so approved.

4.25.13 Approved as read on

_____ Approved with: deletions, corrections, and additions