



Town of Amenia  
Town Board Meeting  
June 21, 2018  
7:00PM

The Town of Amenia Town Board held a meeting at 7:00pm on Thursday, June 21, 2018 at the Amenia Town Hall, 4988 Route 22, Amenia NY with the following members present:

Deputy Supervisor Vicki Doyle  
Councilwoman Michelle Somogyi  
Councilman James Morris  
Members Absent: Supervisor Victoria Perotti  
Councilman Damian Gutierrez

Also Present: Town Clerk Dawn Marie Klingner  
Town Attorney Scott Volkman

Deputy Supervisor Doyle moved to open the meeting at 7:00PM. There was a Salute to the Flag, emergency exits were pointed out and Roll Call was taken by the Clerk.

**Open Public Hearing- Greystone Programs**

Motion to open the public hearing at 7:04pm

Motion made by: Morris

Seconded by: Somogyi

Roll Call      3 Ayes (Morris, Somogyi, Doyle)                      2 Absent (Perotti, Gutierrez)

**Public Comments:**

Greystone representatives were present and shared information on the project of converting a single family home into a home that would house six persons with autism and other development disabilities. They participated in public comment portion of the public hearing answering questions and responding to concerns.

Anne Dealy commented on the location, the effects of noise, traffic, parking, potential additional EMS calls and neighborhood training regarding the residents should one leave the property.

Anne Butler commented on the quietness of the neighborhood and suggests a circular driveway to eliminate the additional noise from the vehicles backing up and bringing attention to frequent pedestrian use of the road.

Norm Fontaine commented on the historical flooding condition of the parcel and the vast amount of water that runs down the mountain into the area.

Peter Deister commented on the height of water during the flooding and the removal of the parcel from the tax roll.

Mike Segelken, Code Enforcement Officer inquires if they follow state guidelines; and it was clear that they are a private entity and they do apply for building permits. Greystone addressed each of the concerns and did respond that they were unaware of the extensive flooding conditions.

Motion to close the public hearing at 7:40pm

Motion made by Somogyi

Seconded by Morris

Roll Call      3 Ayes (Morris, Somogyi, Doyle)                      2 Absent (Perotti, Gutierrez)

Attorney Volkman advised the board that they have forty days from the receipt of the letter to respond by doing nothing, approving it, providing an alternate location or object to the location on the bases of saturation. Attorney Volkman did ask the members of Greystone if they would be willing to accept a one week extension to eliminate the need of a special meeting, if so to please have their attorney contact him. The town's last day to respond is July 2<sup>nd</sup>. Deputy Supervisor Doyle tentatively scheduled a special meeting for the entire board to be present and vote on the matter. The special meeting date: Tuesday, June 26, 2018 at 7:00pm.

**Return to the regular meeting-  
Public Comment**

Andy Durbridge shared event details on the upcoming Amenia Garden tour in July. Mark Storms commented on the complaints from the noise of cutting and splitting logs into firewood for personal use against him. Storms shared the history of the complaints his neighbor has made over the years from noise to the length of the logs. Peter Deister inquired to the next meeting date and offered to show the Board the area discussed. Mike Segelken commented on the group home and the history of flooding in the area. He commented that the proposed timber harvesting law and setback requirements as written. Discussion ensued between Segelken and Doyle regarding commercial versus residential use and the current laws. Megan Chamberlin was present and commented on the road and possible impact on sight distances. In this matter, the road is a user road and therefore does the right away does not extend beyond the actual road bed on the road and sight. Segelken also updated the Board on the current actions he has taken regarding the alleged shooting range off of NYS Route 22 in Wassaic.

**Town Clerk Report, Dawn Marie Klingner, Town Clerk**

Clerk Klingner reported the minutes of June 7<sup>th</sup> were circulated prior to the meeting; Tax collection season has closed. Total collection was \$4,546,915.89 and the 81 remaining uncollected parcels or \$305,698.93 to the Commissioner of Finance. Klingner shared the updates made to the Emergency Operations Manual and presented for Board approval. Once copies have been made they will be circulated to the Board members and Dutchess County Emergency Response. Klingner announced she was in receipt of a list of summer camp councilors from Summer Camp Director Kathleen Howard. Klingner presented the list for approval, subtracting Kathleen Howard as she was hired at the reorganization meeting at \$18.54/hour. Klingner also shared a request from the Arlington Fire District seeking support from the municipalities in the County to remain an ALS unit. Klingner presented a Transfer of Funds resolution and read aloud the totals of the abstract dated June 21<sup>st</sup> and announced training opportunity for the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals. The following actions were taken:

Motion to approve the Town Board Minutes of June 7, 2018

Motion by Doyle

Seconded by Morris

Roll Call      3 Ayes (Morris, Somogyi, Doyle)

2 Absent (Perotti, Gutierrez)

Motion to approve the Summer Camp Counselors as follows:

EMT	Kathleen Kelly	\$16.50
Asst. Director	Shawn Hosier	\$15.00
Arts & Crafts	Racquel Singleton	\$12.00
Councilor	Cassidy Watt	\$10.00
Councilor	Samantha Wolfe	\$10.00
Councilor	Tyler Calabrese	\$10.00
Sports Director	Laura Mendez	\$10.00
Councilor	Ethan Lounsbury	\$10.00
Councilor	Cody Fisher	\$10.00
Councilor	Kathryn Louey	\$10.00

Motion by Doyle

Seconded by Somogyi

Roll Call 3 Ayes (Morris, Somogyi, Doyle) 2 Absent (Perotti, Gutierrez)

Motion to accept the updates to the Emergency Operations Manual

Motion by Somogyi

Seconded by Morris

Roll Call 3 Ayes (Morris, Somogyi, Doyle) 2 Absent (Perotti, Gutierrez)

Motion to send support letter to the Arlington Fire District's application to become a permanent Advanced Life Support First Response Agency

Motion by Somogyi

Seconded by Morris

Roll Call 3 Ayes (Morris, Somogyi, Doyle) 2 Absent (Perotti, Gutierrez)

Motion to approve Resolution # 32 of 2018 Transfer of Funds for June 2018

Motion by Somogyi

Seconded by Doyle

Roll Call 3 Ayes (Morris, Somogyi, Doyle) 2 Absent (Perotti, Gutierrez)

Motion to authorize the payment of claims as presented-

General Fund A	\$ 70,979.64
Highway Fund DA0	\$ 19,192.92
Amenia Lighting SL1	\$ 1,227.91
Wassaic Lighting SL2	\$ 446.35
Amenia Water	\$ 26,670.39
Capital- Heating	<u>\$ 527.25</u>
Total	\$ 119,044.46

Motion by Doyle

Seconded by Morris

Roll Call 3 Ayes (Morris, Somogyi, Doyle) 2 Absent (Perotti, Gutierrez)

**Highway Report, Meghan Chamberlin, Highway Superintendent**

Chamberlin reported the current activity of the highway department. Bids were received for black toping Depot Hill, Powder House and O’Handley Drive from Peckham in the amount of \$153,591.50; Calarusso in the amount of \$153,720.00 and Callahan in the amount of \$170,546.40. Peckham received the award. Paving will be beginning on July 2<sup>nd</sup> and done by the end of the week. Currently the highway department is seeking applications for the open full time position of laborer, a CDL Class B license and minimum age requirement is 21.

**Committees**

Recreation- Somogyi announced the upcoming senior picnic.  
CAC- Doyle reported the committee met last night and inventoried the maps. Dave Reagan announced he will be moving to California; Doyle will bring his letter resignation to the next meeting; Doyle announced that Michael Peek will be the interim chair.

**Rebuilding Together**

Doyle announced the 2018 applications are available for Rebuilding Together.

**Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn at 8:32pm

Motion made by Morris

Seconded by Somogyi

Roll Call      3 Ayes (Morris, Somogyi, Doyle)                      2 Absent (Perotti, Gutierrez)

Respectfully submitted:

*Dawn Marie Klingner*

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Town Clerk

The foregoing represents unapproved minutes of the Town of Amenia Town Board, and is not to be construed as the final official minutes until so approved. *mm* Approved by town board on 7/5/2018