



Town of Amenia  
Town Board Meeting  
September 6, 2018  
7:00PM

The Town of Amenia Town Board held a meeting at 7:00pm on Thursday, September 6, 2018 at the Amenia Town Hall, 4988 Route 22, Amenia NY with the following members present:

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

Also Present: Town Clerk Dawn Marie Klingner  
Town Attorney Jim Horan

Supervisor Perotti 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.

**Public Hearing: 2019 Community Development Block Grant**

Motion to open the Public Hearing

Motion made by Perotti; Seconded by Somogyi

Roll Call 5 (Doyle, Gutierrez, Morris, Somogyi, Perotti)

Supervisor Perotti shared she met with Chuck Walters from NYSDOT and looked at the sidewalk in front of the Post Office.

Gutierrez inquired about Wassaic Park; Supervisor shared that she would like to apply through the Greenway grant for a cost estimate for the Wassaic Park. Discussion regarding applying for a grant for the a comprehensive plan for a wastewater system in Wassaic. Another idea suggested was for the improvements to the water tower.

Motion to close the Public Hearing for the 2019 Community Development Block Grant at 7:30pm

Motion made by Perotti; Seconded by Somogyi

Roll Call 5 (Doyle, Gutierrez, Morris, Somogyi, Perotti)

**Public Comment-** none

**Supervisors Report, Victoria Perotti, Town Supervisor**

Supervisor shared updates on the following projects: **Wassaic Trail to the Train** – The ROW documents are being assembled in order to be to be filed with the Dutchess County Clerk's office this week. **Town of Amenia Highway Garage Land** – Sent email today asking for status update from DEC and OGS officials and what the next steps are. **Amenia Town Hall Grant** – The electric company that NYSEG hired completed the replacement of all lighting in the Amenia Town Hall including the auditorium chandeliers and lights in the elevator to LED. NYSEG contributed \$19,650.42 of the

\$28,324.50 total cost. The Town of Amenia cost of \$8674.08 will be paid interest free over the next 24 months in monthly payments. NYSEG estimated a cost savings of \$14,666.14 annual savings and \$73,331 savings over the next five years in interior lighting costs for the Amenia Town Hall. **Noise Law** – The Noise Law Update Draft has been sent to the Town Board for review and comments. It will be introduced as a local law in order to set a public hearing date as soon as it is finished. **Water Laws** – The Water Law draft with the proposed rate increases and additions will be presented at the September 20, 2018 Town Board Meeting

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

Clerk Klingner reported the monthly share was remitted to the supervisor in the amount of \$7014.70. EZPasses are now available for purchase. One application was received for the alternate Zoning Board of Appeals position. The board agreed to interview the candidate at 6:45pm on September 20<sup>th</sup>. Friendly reminder that School Taxes are payable to the school and not payable to the town of Amenia and asked the residents to be mindful of the school buses on our road and to stop for their red lights. Klingner shared upcoming community events.

**Building Department report**

Supervisor Perotti read aloud the monthly building report dated September 4, 2018 reporting \$10,393 was collected for Building Permits, Certificate of Occupancy Searches and Inspections for the month of August 2018.

**Other Committee Reports**

Somogyi- shared she went to the recreation commission meeting and requested \$150 for the Golden Age Singers. They approved the expense. Somogyi shares that at the meeting they discussed the need of a recreation director. At this time she would be supportive of finding someone to coordinate the baseball activities. The next Recreation meeting will be held on September 13<sup>th</sup>.

The next CAC meeting is Sept 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Town Hall Generator Change Order Resolution**

Motion to reconsider the vote on Resolution #50 of 2018 Authorizing Change Order to Fellenzer Engineering LLP Engineering Design Services Agreement regarding emergency standby generator at Town Hall

Motion made by Doyle; Seconded by Somogyi

Roll Call 5 (Doyle, Gutierrez, Morris, Somogyi, Perotti)

Motion to accept Resolution #54 of 2018 Authorizing change order to Fellenzer Engineering LLP Engineering design services agreement regarding emergency standby generator at Town Hall

Motion made by Doyle; Seconded by Somogyi

Roll Call 5 (Doyle, Gutierrez, Morris, Somogyi, Perotti)

### **ADA Improvements**

Resolution #55 of 2018 Award of Bid received in response to the request for bids for the Town Hall Improvements Project

Motion made by Morris; Seconded by Somogyi

Roll Call 5 (Doyle, Gutierrez, Morris, Somogyi, Perotti)

### **Transfer of Funds**

Motion to accept #56 Transfer of Funds for September 2018

Motion made by Perotti; Seconded by Somogyi

Roll Call 5 (Doyle, Gutierrez, Morris, Somogyi, Perotti)

### **2019 Budget Discussion**

Supervisor circulated the dates for the budget process in preparing the 2019 budget. The Tentative Budget is due to the town clerk this year by September 30, 2018.

### **Beekman Park Broken Playground Equipment Replacement Approval**

Supervisor shared a bid from Parkitects for a replacement slide unit. Councilman Gutierrez requested a quote for the Wassaic Park to make improvements as well. No action taken at this time.

### **Public Comments- none**

### **Town Board Comments**

Somogyi- shared the poetry reading event went well. In the future if they wish to do another activity they should present their event to the recreation commission and request to be a sponsored event.

Doyle shared the upcoming dance program/ Elf Jr. production and volleyball is offered on Tuesdays at the high school.

Gutierrez inquired about the right-of-way documents for the Trail to Train project. He asked about the ac units, and Supervisor Perotti shared that she is seeking grants for them.

He also shared concerns regarding cablevision. *Alice*

### **Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn at 8:41pm

Motion made by Morris; Seconded by Somogyi

Roll Call 5 (Doyle, Gutierrez, Morris, Somogyi, Perotti)

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. *DMM* Approved by town board on ( 10/4/18 )