



TOWN OF AMENIA TOWN BOARD

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June 4, 2020

Supervisor Perotti moved to open the meeting at 7:10pm; Emergency Exits were pointed out and Roll Call was taken by the Clerk with the following members present:

Supervisor Victoria Perotti
Councilwoman Michele Somogyi -via teleconference
Deputy Supervisor Vicki Doyle - via teleconference
Councilman James Morris - via teleconference
Councilman Damian Gutierrez - via teleconference

Also Present: Town Clerk Dawn Marie Klingner

Supervisor's Report, Victoria Perotti, Town Supervisor

Supervisor Perotti provided the following report: **Wassaic Trail to the Train Update** – The Trail to the Train Rail Trail construction is 95% complete and it is not open to the public. **Town of Amenia Covid-19 (Coronavirus)** –The Amenia Town Hall departments are now available by appointment only as the Amenia Town Hall doors will continue to be locked. Under no circumstances will anyone be allowed into the Amenia Town Hall for an appointment without a face covering. Face coverings are on the window of the door inside the front door. Sanitizer is also available. Social distancing protocol will be followed. Dutchess County has met the Governor's benchmarks to be in Phase 1 of the Re-Opening Plan which included construction, agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, retail (limited to curbside or in-store pickup or drop off), manufacturing, and wholesale trade. Construction staging – including moving materials and equipment onto job sites and setting up safety precautions – may begin now to allow full construction activities. Phase 2 is tentatively scheduled to begin June 9. Businesses impacted in Phase 2 include: office based jobs, real estate, in-store retail, vehicle sales, leases and rentals, retail rental, repair and cleaning, commercial building management, hair salons, and barber shops. Please continue to wear face coverings and be mindful of social distancing wherever you are. Please also remember to not touch your face, wash your hands often, and use hand sanitizer. Be well and stay safe.

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

Clerk Klingner reported the May 21st minutes were circulated prior to the meeting; Total State, County & Local Revenues totaled \$515.50 and remitted to the Supervisor was the Local Share portion in the amount of \$463.00; Total Taxes collected to date is \$5,731,283.91 Penalty amount collected \$9496.44 and Remaining Uncollected total \$410,896.71; Klingner shared the Building Department report the totaling \$8,026.00 for Building Permits and Certificate of Occupancy searches collected for the month of May. Klingner congratulated the 2020 Webutuck Seniors who are graduating on June 16th. As a result of her report the following actions were taken:

Motion to accept the Minutes of May 21, 2020

Motion made by Doyle; Seconded by Somogyi

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

Motion to accept the Building Department Report

Motion made by Perotti; Seconded by Somogyi

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

Resolutions

Altice Public Hearing Date

Motion to accept Resolution #28 of 2020 Authorizing a Public Hearing on the Franchise Renewal Agreement between the Town of Amenia and Cablevision Systems Dutchess Corporation

Motion made by Perotti, Seconded by Morris

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

Amending Town Clerk Fee Schedule

Motion to accept Resolution #29 of 2020 Amending the Town Clerk Fee Schedule

Motion made by Perotti, Seconded by Morris

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

Other Matters

Resolution for Transfer of Funds

Motion to accept Resolution #20 of 2020 Transfer of Funds for June 4, 2020

Motion made by Perotti, Seconded by Morris

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

Town Board Comments

Doyle- presented the request to purchase two replacement historic signs for Borden Park. As a result of the discussion the following action was moved-

Motion to purchase signs in the amount of \$1,665

Motion made by Doyle; Seconded by Gutierrez

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

Doyle on behalf of the Housing Committee/ Sub Committee of Wastewater shared the recommendation of Candance Balmer who informed them that in order to move forward with and meet the requirements of the USDA grant, she has recommended that the intent to move forward with this project be indicated in the minutes and in support of this next step Councilwoman Doyle moved the following-

Motion that Amenia announces it intent to hire an engineering consultant to help the Town with planning activities associated with the proposed new wastewater system

Motion made by Doyle; Seconded by Perotti

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

Gutierrez- reminds residents of the upcoming Webutuck School Budget Vote and encourages those to wear masks in public

Somogyi- announced CVS in Dover is completing Covid testing by appointment

Perotti- Thanked the Community Action Partnership of Dutchess County for hosting a food drive at the town hall; they served 61 families on site and delivered others.

Executive Session-

Motion to enter into executive session for pending litigation with Kent Hollow Mine at 7:54pm excusing the Town Clerk and Councilwoman Doyle; Supervisor Perotti will take the minutes.

Motion made by Perotti; Seconded by Somogyi

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

The following was provided by Supervisor Perotti

Motion to come out of Executive Session and return to regular meeting at 8:18pm

Motion made by Somogyi

Seconded by Morris

Roll Call 4 Ayes (Gutierrez, Morris, Somogyi, Perotti) 1 Absent (Doyle)

Motion to adjourn at 8:19pm

Motion made by Morris; Seconded by Somogyi

Roll Call 4 Ayes (Gutierrez, Morris, Somogyi, Perotti) 1 Absent (Doyle)

Respectfully submitted:

Dawn Marie Klingner

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Town Clerk



Accepted by town board on (6-18-2020)