



TOWN OF AMENIA TOWN BOARD

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June 18, 2020

The Town of Amenia, Town Board began their meeting at 7:00pm on Thursday, June 18, 2020 at 4988 Route 22, Amenia New York. Supervisor Perotti moved to open the meeting. Emergency exits were pointed out and Roll Call was taken by the Clerk with the following members were present:

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

Also Present: Town Clerk Dawn Marie Klingner

Public Comment: None

Supervisor's Report, Victoria Perotti, Town Supervisor

Supervisor Perotti reported the following: Wassaic Trail to the Train Update – The Trail to the Train Rail Trail construction is nearing completion and is not open to the public.

Silo Ridge Field Club is hosting a free Dutchess County socially distant fireworks display for all to enjoy on July 4th at 9:00pm on their property. They have graciously offered parking at their horse paddock on Depot Hill Road. Everyone is required to stay in their cars. Gates open for parking at 7:30. The fire departments and the sheriff's department will assist with parking. The entire event is being coordinated by the Dutchess County Department of Emergency Response. Town of Amenia Covid-19 (Coronavirus) – The Amenia Town Hall departments are available by in person appointment only in addition to phone, mail, and email. Social distancing, face coverings, hand washing, and hand sanitizer protocols need to be followed. Phase 2 began on 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. Businesses are also allowed to permit outside dining. Phase 3 is expected to begin on June 23 for food services and personal care in addition to allowing social gatherings of 25 people. Please continue to wear face coverings and be mindful of social distancing wherever you are. 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 minutes from the previous meeting were circulated prior to the meeting;

Motion to accept the minutes of June 4, 2020

Motion made by Somogyi; Seconded by Perotti

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

Final tax collections totals are the same as reported last meeting- Total Collected: \$5,731,283.91;
Penalties collected: \$9,496.44; and turned over to the county for collection 89 parcels or \$410,896.71

In lieu of Covid and hours not available, Kathryn Louey has remitted her letter of resignation on June 8th.

Motion to accept resignation effective June 8, 2020

Motion made by Somogyi; Seconded by Perotti

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

Klingner acknowledged receipt of a letter from Nancy Watson, residing on Old Cross Rd. in the Hamlet of Wassaic. Her concern was the lack of fencing and the install of lighting that will remain on all night. Supervisor Perotti shared that she had called Ms Watson and informed her that there is no plan for lighting at this time and in order to add a fence they would need Metro North approvals; Discussion ensued with the possibilities of obtaining easements with the property owner to have a split rail fence installed. A cost estimate the Supervisor had gotten was seven thousand dollars. No actions were taken, Supervisor will continue to research.

Klingner circulated the Operating Statement and Balance sheets, Board members acknowledged receipt and had no comments or questions

Vouchers were presented for payment in the amount of \$104,085.19

Motion to authorize the Supervisor to pay the bills

General Fund	\$75,509.26
Highways Fund	\$12,666.71
Amenia Lighting	\$ 1,249.41
Wassaic Lighting	\$ 466.37
Amenia Water	\$10,996.00
Trail to Train	<u>\$ 3,197.44</u>
Total	\$104,085.19

Motion made by Somogyi; Seconded by Gutierrez

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

Klingner presented the Water report submitted by SEBI Environmental Services and acknowledged the Highway report.

Megan Chamberlin, Highway Superintendent joined the meeting via teleconference and presented her report. She obtained three Office of General Services quick quotes for paving Prospect Ave. and Depot Hill Road.

A. A. Colarusso & Son, Inc. in the amount of \$176,452.00

B. Peckham Materials Corp. in the amount of \$194,224.00

C. Callanan Industries, Inc. d/b/a Iroquois Rock Products in the amount of \$194,939.00

The following action was taken:

Motion to accept Resolution #31 of 2020 Award Bid for Paving Prospect and Depot Hill

Motion made by Somogyi; Seconded by Morris

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

Motion to accept the reports presented by the Town Clerk

Motion made by Somogyi; Seconded by Perotti

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

Megan asked the board if they were aware of the request to take down the playground equipment at the Wassaic Park. A discussion ensued regarding the safety of the equipment, having the building inspector going down and looking at it. Doyle inquired if there was a plan to replace it, as a rec liaison, she is unaware of the recreation commission having any future plans to replace the playground equipment. Gutierrez states he has a google spreadsheet of suggestions from residents of ideas for the area; he will circulate to the town board. Supervisor will follow up and see that the area is weeded. Gutierrez will put together a summary of the feedback and present at the next meeting.

Resolutions

Approving Stoneleaf Construction sidewalk easement and maintenance agreement

Motion to accept Resolution #32 of 2020 Authorizing Non-Excusive Sidewalk Easement and Maintenance Agreement between the Town of Amenia and Stoneleaf Construction, LLLC subject to Permissive Referendum

Motion made by Somogyi; Seconded by Morris

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

Transfer of Funds

Motion to accept Resolution #33 of 2020 Transfer of Funds for June 18, 2020

Motion made by Perotti; Seconded by Somogyi

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

Town Board comments

Morris shared the sighting of a large black bear on Separate Road

Doyle shared the new Wassaic sign is being updated.

Gutierrez shared the idea of putting picnic tables on the basketball courts for the use of the restaurants for outdoor dining.

Motion to adjourn at 8:13pm

Motion made by Morris; Seconded by Somogyi

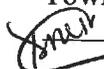
Roll Call 5 Ayes (Doyle, Gutierrez, Morris, Somogyi, Perotti)

Respectfully submitted:

Dawn Marie Klingner

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Town Clerk

 Accepted by town board on (7/2/2020)