

March 18, 2019

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Greenville was held on Monday, March 18, 2019, at 7:00 pm at Pioneer Hall.

Present: Supervisor Paul Macko
Councilman Richard Bear
Councilman John Bensen
Councilman Joel Rauf
Councilman Travis Richards

Recording Secretary: Clerk-Collector Jackie Park

Attorney: Tal Rappleyea

Department Heads Present: Maintenance and Water Superintendent P. Leroy Bear
Assistant Water Superintendent Renee Hamilton
Greenville Rescue Squad Chief Matthew Marlow
Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer Mark Overbaugh
Highway Superintendent Terry Williams

Other: 16 guests

Supervisor Macko opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Rauf moved to accept the Clerk's minutes of February 18, 2019 and March 6, 2019, seconded by Mr. Bensen. Carried 5 ayes

Department Reports:

Greenville Rescue Squad ~ Chief Matthew Marlow provided an oral and written report; also addressed upcoming community educational offerings to include CPR instruction as well as a "Stop the Bleed" campaign.

Highway Department ~ Highway Superintendent Williams offered a verbal report of work done, to include preventative maintenance work, firewood splitting, cleaning shoulders, sweeping Hill Street for the upcoming parade, and sign repair.

Building and Grounds ~ Oral report received from Maintenance Supervisor Bear. Supervisor Macko noted this was Mr. Bear's last meeting as Maintenance Supervisor, as he would be retiring from that position at the end of this month; gratitude was relayed for the job that's been done for the Town of Greenville.

Code Enforcement ~ Oral and written reports received from CEO Mark Overbaugh; noted the yearly reporting requirements had been satisfied as well.

Sewer ~ Supervisor Macko reported the sewer plant has met all expected parameters. There was noted an issue with the generators which will be followed up on.

Water ~ Water Superintendent Bear offered an oral report and written logs.

Recycling ~ Supervisor Macko reported they have been busy, and that necessary maintenance on the grounds would be attended to this spring.

Assessing ~ Assessor Bennett's written report read by Supervisor Macko.

Planning Board ~ Chair Donald Teator provided a written report for the minutes; Supervisor Macko relayed activities at the February meeting as the March meeting was cancelled.

Dog Control ~ no report received.

Beautification Committee ~ Supervisor Macko noted the sidewalk project is in final review with the NYS DOT, and will go to bid per the DOT schedule. Work may start as early as June. The window project at Prevost Hall is coming along; 3 windows are coming back in April and at that time, 5 out of 8 will have been refurbished.

Clerk/Tax ~ written reports provided.

Greene County Legislator Greg Davis ~ presently at a County Legislature meeting and not in attendance with us tonight.

New business discussed at 7:12 pm:

Further discussion on Knox box key systems continued. The Fire Department would like to recommend all businesses get a Knox box, but it would be a voluntary program. Should a fire alarm get activated when no one is there to open the door, a Knox box would allow the firemen access to a key and thus avert damage from breaking in to address the problem. A special meeting will be called for later this month;

Mr. Rauf moved to table the Knox box discussion until the special meeting, seconded by Mr. Bensen. Carried 5 ayes

Further discussion on Mid-Hudson Cablevision's Hill Street request continued. There is a pole at the Hill Street Sewer station with a splitter box, which helps Mid-Hudson Cablevision amplify their signal. When the power is out, the back-up batteries are not enough to run the splitter box. They would like to piggy back off of our generator, and will compensate the Town of Greenville \$600/year to do so. This will be discussed as well as the next special meeting.

Further discussion on the proposed exemption of the Town of Greenville on its own subdivision laws occurred, as it relates to the subdivision of a parcel on Wickes Lane to be used to construct a municipal water tank. A public hearing is required;

Mr. Rauf moved, seconded by Mr. Bear, to table this resolution today, and to schedule a special meeting to hold a public hearing on Thursday, March 28, 2019 at 7:00 pm at Pioneer Town Hall to address the resolution: Exemption of the Town of Greenville from Town Subdivision Laws; also addressed at the special meeting will be the Knox box resolution and the Hill Street resolution; also to discuss, interview and appoint a maintenance supervisor to fill a vacancy; also any and all matters which may come before the Board.

Carried 5 ayes

Further discussion on the winter youth program offerings occurred. Supervisor Macko summarized his last conversation with the owner of the rink, which was that it was expected to be closed through April due to health issues; Councilman Bensen was sure that it actually opened up last weekend. Supervisor Macko had called Windham Mountain regarding a snow tubing day for the kids next season; they will get back to him regarding this option. Also questioned was the possibility of a Zoom Flume day.

Annual audit reports from Pattison, Koskey, Howe & Bucci, CPAs, have been received for the Clerk-Collector and Justice Court. The NYS Unified Court system annually requires copies of our most recent Justice Court audit, as well as documentation that the Town Board acknowledged that it has been completed.

Mr. Bensen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bear, to acknowledge the audit of our Justice Court as well as of the Clerk-Collector, completed in January 2019, and resolved to

follow the recommendations put forth by the Auditor to ensure the Town of Greenville is in compliance with the NYS Comptroller's requirements.

Carried 5 ayes

There continues to exist a vacancy on the Board of Assessment Review. Should anyone have an interest or any questions about the role, please contact the Town of Greenville.

Supervisor Macko informed all of the St. Patrick's Day parade to be held this Saturday, March 23rd, stepping off at 1:00 pm.

Supervisor Macko addressed an Intermunicipal Agreement proposed between the Towns of Greenville and Cairo: Administration of Funds for the Completion of the Sidewalk/multimodal Project in Both Towns. The DOT is overseeing this project and recommends we bid out projects together in hopes of doing more, with a little less.

Mr. Bensen moved, seconded by Mr. Bear, to adopt this resolution for Intermunicipal Agreement: Town of Greenville and Town of Cairo, Administration of Funds for the Completion of the Sidewalk/Multimodal Project in Both Towns; attached.

Carried 5 ayes

The Town annually budgets for and donates money towards the Greene County Council on the Arts' Sprouts ~ Youth Arts Education program. Usually donating \$300, Councilman Bear suggested we bump up the donation to \$500.

Mr. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to donate \$500 to the Greene County Council on the Arts' Sprouts ~ Youth Arts Education program.

Carried 5 ayes

Also requesting a donation is the Greenville School District's SADD Chapter, to assist in the after-prom party on June 1st. The purpose of this event is to provide students with a safe alternative, after-prom function in an alcohol and drug-free environment.

Mr. Rauf moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to table this discussion until the upcoming special meeting scheduled for March 28th.

Carried 5 ayes

Emergency Management training is being offered on April 30th, and local chief executives and others on the municipal board are encouraged to register. This is sponsored by Greene County Emergency Services and is free to attend. Supervisor Macko attends annually; Councilman Bensen said he will try to attend.

Attorney Rappleyea addressed establishing an ambulance district within the Town of Greenville; explained that two public hearings would need to be scheduled. The first, to establish the district, and the second, to accept a resolution subject to a 30 day permissive referendum.

Mr. Bensen moved, seconded by Mr. Bear, to conduct public hearings on April 15, 2019 at 6:30 pm, and May 6, 2019 at 6:30 pm, each in Town Hall, for the purpose of establishing the ambulance district.

Carried 5 ayes

Discussion occurred regarding Lafarge Cement in the Town of Coeymans as they plan to burn alternative fuels, i.e. tires, as a replacement for coal. That town has provided a document to the Albany County Planning Board regarding a Clean Air Law. Supervisor Macko requested the Board please review the documents and consider if we wanted to support the Town of Coeymans air quality local law. Councilman Bensen feels it is a 'not in my back yard' issue, and stated upgrades were made to their kiln in order to do this. Scrubbers are also used, and that alternate fuel sources are very important. Stated, "I don't think we need to get involved."

Mr. Bensen moved to table this issue for now.

Resident William Bardel commented that if Coeymans feels strongly about this issue, even if it doesn't impact us (as we are not downwind of the smokestacks), our support would be appreciated and potentially could be reciprocated in the future.

Mr. Rauf repeated and seconded Mr. Bensen's motion to table this for now.

Carried 5 ayes

Greenville town-wide yard sales have been scheduled for the weekends of June 7-8-9th, and September 27-28-29th.

Supervisor Macko asked Attorney Rappleyea if we are close to agreeing on a PILOT program? Attorney Rappleyea noted that the Greenville Central School District has reached the end of their negotiations. As last presented, the first year, \$16,000 would be paid in lieu of taxes (approximately \$3,095 to the Town, \$2,500 to the County, and \$10,440 to the School ~ per megawatt ~ and there is a 2% escalation). This lines up with Westerlo's and Catskill's PILOTs. This will be further discussed as agreements are made.

A proposal for new linen/uniform company has been received. Supervisor Macko asked the Board to review this proposal. He stated it was the same clothing and was estimated to save the Town \$1,000 in the first year alone.

Supervisor Macko opened the meeting for public comments and questions at 7:47

pm: Mr. Paul Augstein asked if there could be another town-wide clean-up day in April? Supervisor Macko thinks it is a great idea and he will try to coordinate it with Community Partners, who clean up along the state roads.

Mrs. Nicole Ambrosio asked if Mid-Hudson Cablevision was extending services out by her home in Surprise, as an unmarked car claiming to be from that company was on her property. Supervisor Macko is not sure, but will call David Fingar of Mid-Hudson to follow up.

Mr. Mark Wilcox notified the Board that he purchased the property in front of the Town Park, and preliminarily wanted to ask how to go about requesting the zoning district be changed at that site? He has many ideas for the property which he feels would benefit the town and its residents. Attorney Rappleyea asked that he write what he proposes the new zoning to be for that parcel and submit it to the Town.

The audit of bills occurred at 8:00 pm; after audit, Mr. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to pay the following bills:

Bills 92 – 134 except #121 on General abstract #3 for \$28,947.48

Bills 45 – 61 on Highway abstract #3 for \$25,407.31
Bills 20 – 28 on Sewer abstract #3 for \$9,792.22
Bills 19 – 30 on Water abstract #3 for \$7,178.30
Bill 3 on Freehold Solar, LLC, escrow abstract #3 for \$906.25
Bills 3 – 5 on Windows & Sidewalk Project abstract #3 for \$39,345.42
Carried 5 ayes

After review, Mr. Bensen made a motion to accept the Supervisor’s report for February, seconded by Mr. Bear. Carried 5 ayes

There being no further business, Mr. Macko moved to adjourn at 8:30 pm.

Jackie Park, Town Clerk-Collector

SUPERVISOR MACKO

MR. BEAR

MR. BENSEN

MR. RAUF

MR. RICHARDS