

April 15, 2021

Meeting of the Town Board took place on the above date at 7 P.M. All Town Board members were present, also attending Attorney to the Town Warren Replansky, Highway Superintendent Heather Emerich, Water/ Engineer, Ray Jurkowski, Recreation Department Michael Cooper, Jennifer Laverack-Chase and Beautification Committee Suzanne Ouellette, Vikki Soracco and Anne Noone.

Supervisor Cloud called the meeting to order.

Acceptance of the March 15th workshop minutes, and March 18th Town Board meeting. Discussion of corrections to the March 15th workshop to be approved at the next meeting. Councilwoman Jones motioned to accept March 18th minutes with spelling corrections second by Chase. 5-0 Passed.

Approval of General Bills 18354-18368, Highway Bills 18369-18383, and Water District Bills 3031-3032. Motioned by Jones, second by Bartles. 5-0 Passed.

Supervisor Cloud read her statement. On file.

Public comment Supervisor Cloud had a resident ask about a speed limit on Victoria Crossing Road. Councilman Zick wanted to know about a sign either a yield or stop sign. Superintendent Emerich told the Board that the road intersection is not the Town's responsibility, but Dutchess County. She got in touch with the County in 2014 and they said that in 1989 there was a Stop sign, Dead end Sign and a road name sign. Supervisor Cloud said she would get in touch to ask about signs. Supervisor Cloud also had a resident asking about creating a trail, such as a safe equestrian trail/ foot and bridal pass. Councilman Chase received a request for creating a dog park or trail, Councilman Zick agreed. Councilwoman Jones just wanted to let the Board know that the Town Centre development is going to be moving forward. Councilman Zick motioned to have Councilwoman Jones attend an affordable housing program online for \$40. Second by Chase. 5-0 Passed.

The Attorney to the Town, Warren Replansky discussed the Durst project. The previous evening the Planning Board had a meeting. The Durst Company has submitted a sketch plan application. He discussed the schedule for the next steps. There will be an outline with more information available online. Councilwoman Jones wanted to let the Board know that the project has been submitted under the conservation subdivision under the zoning provision, and the density for the acreage is 11 acres.

Department Report- Highway Superintendent Heather Emerich discussed that the sweeping of the roads had been completed. Also that the CHIPS funds had been released the town will be seeing an increase this fiscal year. All the new speed signs were installed on Bethel Crossing, Carpenter Hill, Chase and Strever Hill. Cutting shoulders for improvement projects. Highway Superintendent also discussed the tank replacement bids, from Valley Energy just to see what the prices would look like, she would like to make it a prevailing wage project. There was also a brief discussion about removing the brush pile in June. Highway Superintendent gave her recommendation to reduce the speeds on the following roads: Schultz Hill, Brooks Rd, Johnny Cake Hollow, and Prospect Hill Rd Ext.

The Building Inspector report was read by Supervisor Cloud. On file.

The Police Department report was read by Supervisor Cloud. On file. Cloud also mentioned the department wanted to make a request to apply for a grant for a license plate reader. Motioned by Zick to write a grant, second by Chase. 5-0 Passed.

Water report was read by Ray Jurkowski. On file.

Engineer report, Ray Jurkowski discussed the Hicks Hill project. The bonds and insurance have been submitted. The property owner representative provided an easement, with a request of a notice of entry. Councilwoman Jones asked if this project would be able to allocate the stimulus money. Jurkowski also discussed the 8 and 12th North Main Street project, he had received insurance and asbestos certifications. Town Engineer explained the timeline for the projects would take about 4 weeks. 10 days to remove asbestos, 7 days to demo, and 7 days to backfill

The Recreation Department started with the Camp Director/ Beach Director Jennifer Laverack-Chase. Laverack-Chase told the Board the camp was going to be moving forward with the same protocols from last year. Camp Director also said she had been asked by the town of Ancram if the camp could open up to some of their children. Recreation Director Michael Cooper wanted to say thank you to the Baseball committee. Cooper also discussed an e-mail he received from Lee Capola about filming an Indie film at the baseball fields. Cooper was going to get more information for the Board. Cooper also stated since the new committee, he wanted to dissolve the Recreation assistant position. Councilman Zick motions to dissolve the position and accept Kelly Neilson resignation, second by Jones. 5-0 Passed.

The Animal Control report was read by Supervisor Cloud. On file.

Old Business- Discussion among the Board was had about the trails committee and FOSL. The Board decided to have a workshop meeting to have more discussions. Supervisor Cloud read report on the Broadband committee report. On file. Cloud also wanted to let the community know the committee can help to get the internet up to speed if needed. Suzanne Ouellette discussed the fountain that will be donated to the Town by Tim Jones for the park. Ouellette explained that the fountain would be easy to drain at the end of season, grates would be provided so help keep debris out. Councilman Zick asked Engineer Jurkowski about algae, leaves and debris. Jurkowski suggested adding additives to water to help. Discussion took place about filling and winterizing the fountain. Supervisor Cloud moved to accept the gift and allow the installation of the fountain, second by Jones. 4-1. Passed. Zick-Nay. Councilman Bartles asked about the pergola. Ouellette confirmed there will be one and it will be donated. Ouellette continued the discussion on the pathway for the park. Sue Roberson will be involved for natural walkways, 3 feet wide. Councilman Chase asked about a border around pathway. Supervisor Cloud motioned to authorize the path as described, second Jones. 5-0 Passed. Supervisor Cloud discussed the NYSLRS Yearly Approval. Cloud motions to accept the NYSLRS standard workday for elected and appointed officials second by Chase. 5-0 Passed.

New Business- Supervisor Cloud explained there were no problems with the Town Hall roof. Cloud discussed the Insurance Quotes. Total annual premium \$53,723.45 around a \$900 difference. Councilwoman Jones motion to pass second by Bartles. 5-0 Passed. Cloud wanted to have discussions about Land Bank of Housing for a workshop meeting. Supervisor Cloud wanted to ask permission to form a housing committee of 7, to look into housing. Councilwoman Jones moves to form a housing committee, second by Zick. 5-0 Passed.

Supervisor Cloud discussed in person Town Board meetings at the community center. Road speed resolution- Schultz Hill/ Brooks/ Johnny Cake Hollow and Prospect Rd Ext. the resolution will be ready for the next Board meeting.

Chase motioned to move to executive session to discuss Personnel, and Zoning, second by Jones. 5-0 Passed.

Zick motioned to move out of the executive session, second by Jones. 5-0 Passed.

Zick motioned to adjourn, second by Jones. 5-0 Passed.

Supervisor Cloud

Councilman Bartles

Deputy Town Clerk

Councilman Chase

Councilwoman Jones

Councilman Zick