

MINUTES BOOKTOWN OF COEYMANS
July 21, 2016 – Town Board Workshop – 6:00pm**

A Town Board Workshop Meeting was held Thursday, July 21, 2016, at 6:00pm at Town Hall, 18 Russell Avenue, Ravena, New York

PRESENT: Philip A. Crandall, Supervisor
Thomas E. Dolan, Councilman
Kenneth A. Burns, Councilman
James C. Youmans, Councilman

ABSENT: George E. Langdon, Councilman

ALSO PRESENT: Diane L. Millious, Town Clerk

Supervisor Crandall opened the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance, Councilman Burns offered a prayer.

OPENING COMMENT

Supervisor Crandall stated that the record should reflect the presence of the entire Town Board with the exception of Councilman Langdon who was absent in addition to Town Clerk Millious being present.

AGENDA

- Town of Bethlehem Pilgrim Pipeline Resolution
- 70 S. Main
- Insurance Options

DISCUSSIONS

Town of Bethlehem Pilgrim Pipeline

Supervisor Crandall stated that he received a resolution from the Town of Bethlehem regarding the Pilgrim Pipeline, which he will not read and basically they have sent it to the Governor and several others including the Federal Government opposing the pipeline. He added that those voting for and in favor were Supervisor Clarkson, Councilwoman Becker, Councilwoman Davis, Councilwoman Sasso, and Councilman VanLuven and the resolution was approved on May 11, 2016.

Insurance Options

Supervisor Crandall stated that they have to change their insurance because the rates are going up and CDPHP is dropping the plan that they had given the Town, it will no longer be offered and there are two options that he looked at and there actually is a third that was added. He continued by saying that the lowest plan cost option is a 8.91% increase and it is the one that is very similar to the plan that they have now. He added that there is also another option that they are going to offer, it is a higher out-of-pocket and it might be good for someone who doesn't use the insurance that much and it will be a decrease of 5.43% so anyone not using the insurance can pick up a little extra in their paycheck and it will save the Town money too. He went on by saying that they are also going to offer a premium plan with a much higher deductible and the Town is going to pay up to the 8.91%, anything over that the employee will have to pick up themselves.

Discussion ensued amongst the Board relative to the plans that will be offered, which will include options for the retired employees and continued by comparing the options.

Supervisor Crandall stated that there will be a resolution for the next meeting.

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70 South Main Street

Supervisor Crandall stated that he has an idea to sell the old firehouse in Coeymans and his reasoning is that they want to put it back on the tax rolls and his belief is any Town land that they are not using, they should sell. He added he also has the idea that if someone buys it, they are going to try to promote it as a business enterprise and his idea is a Mom or Pop store upstairs, maybe a small diner in the back or ice cream stand with burgers for the summer crowd in the park or boaters. He continued by saying that the piece of property is approximately ¾ of an acre and he had it appraised, which was appraised for between \$160,000.00 and \$170,000.00 but if the Board wants, they can offer it up at a higher price. He concluded by saying that it could help to revitalize the Hamlet.

Discussion ensued regarding the state of the building as far appraisal, asbestos and an oil tank in the ground, insurance, property lines, entrances and exits, the possibility of kayak and jet ski rentals, surveying cost, bid vs. for sale by a realtor, exposure through a realtor, the cost for moving the Beautification Department, applying the money from the sale to a put up a multiple use building at Joralemon Park with bathrooms and garage for the Beautification Department, moving Beautification to the garage at the old landfill, the cost to build a new building and storm water regulations, the possibility of using the existing trans-vamp septic system at Joralemon Park.

Supervisor Crandall stated that it will be discussed at the next Board Meeting.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Supervisor Crandall asked if there were any other comments.

Town Clerk Millious stated that she had sent Alton Mattice the Board's way regarding the cemetery.

Supervisor Crandall stated that Mr. Mattice is going to make an appointment to come in and see him and he asked that Nelson Perry talk to him first to see exactly what his ideas are and if it is good for the Town.

Discussion ensued relative to what Mr. Mattice wants to do, if it would be advantageous to the Town, what the Town vs. Taylor Monument who subcontracts Mr. Mattice does, charges for the service, possibly increasing the price, limit of people in a plot, laws governing the cemetery.

Councilman Youmans stated that he knows a guy who can answer all their questions, their County Legislator Rick Touchette and he is an expert.

Discussion continued about the limit per grave.

Town Clerk Millious stated that she is easy to work with and flexible.

Supervisor Crandall asked if there were any other comments, hearing none he asked for a motion to adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

On motion of Councilman Dolan, seconded by Councilman Youmans, the Town Board Workshop was adjourned.

VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

Time – 6:30pm

Respectfully Submitted,

APPROVED – As Read August 25, 2016

Diane L. Millious, Town Clerk