

**MINUTES BOOK\*\*TOWN OF COEYMANS  
January 26, 2017 – Town Board Meeting – 7:00pm**

**A Town Board Meeting was held Thursday, January 26, 2017 at 7:00pm at Town Hall, 18 Russell Avenue, Ravena, New York**

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

**ALSO PRESENT:** Diane L. Millious, Town Clerk  
Scott Searles, Highway Superintendent  
John Kerr, Chief Operator WWTP  
P.J. McKenna, Chief of Police  
Paul Pastore, Attorney for the Town

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

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**OPENING COMMENT**

Supervisor Crandall stated that the record should reflect the presence of a full Town Board in addition to Town Clerk Millious, Highway Superintendent Searles, WWTP Operator Kerr, Chief of Police McKenna and Attorney for the Town Pastore.

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**AGENDA**

- Public Comment
- Supervisor’s Report – Amend November 2016 & Approve December 2016
- Department Reports
  - Town Clerk, December 2016
  - Building, December 2016
  - Sewer, December 2016
- New Business
  - Hecate Energy
- Resolutions
  - Authorize Vacant Sewer Fee for Not to Be Occupied Building
  - Authorize Exchange for Services Agreement with Library
  - Authorize Removal of 69 Main Street from Sewer Billing
  - Approve January Abstract
- Upcoming Workshops/Meetings
  - Planning Board Meeting, February 6, 2017. 7:00pm
  - Town Board Meeting, February 9, 2017, 7:00pm
- Executive Session – Personnel Matter

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**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Ms. Rose Gladney** stated that she bought property at 78 Main Street in Coeymans and paid \$5,000.00 to the Town of Coeymans. She continued by saying that when she got her School Tax Bill the house was valued at \$92,000.00 but there is no water, no sewer no electricity and the only thing left is the frame, which isn’t that good because when she bought the house they couldn’t step a foot on the property. She added that when the Town bought the property, she feels as though they should have looked into how much the house was worth, but they never did and no one told her that the house was valued at \$92,000.00. She went on by saying that they have turned it into a one family house, a kitchen was taken out and it’s still listed as a two-family

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house, she owns two other houses in Coeymans and that house is valued for more than the house that she lives in and then asked how that could possibly be.

Councilman Burns stated that it is something that is done by the Assessor and has nothing to do with the Board and he asked a couple weeks ago if there was anything that the Board could do to help her out, he spoke with John Cashin who said that he needed to talk to the Assessor and if there was anything that the Board could do legally, they would be glad to do it.

Ms. Barbara Tanner stated that she was Chairman of the Assessment Board in New Baltimore for 20 years and explained that you have until March 1<sup>st</sup> to file a grievance, which is what she needs to do and it should have been on paper what it was assessed at. She continued by saying that she paid for a house for 4 years that wasn't her house and the Assessor told her that it was up to her to make sure that all the information is correct so there is basically nothing that anyone can do until she files a grievance and grieves to the Board and you have to show comparables to get any kind of reduction.

Councilman Langdon asked if a grievance can be done retroactive.

Ms. Tanner stated that it can't be retroactive and reiterated that for four years she paid for someone else's house and was told that it was up to her to check the facts out.

Ms. Gladney interjected that they couldn't even step foot on the property.

Councilman Burns asked if she got the deed when she bought the property.

Ms. Gladney stated that she did and never in her whole life would think that the house was valued at \$92,000.00.

Ms. Tanner asked if she got paperwork for what it was appraised for at the closing.

Ms. Gladney stated that she didn't, she handed the Town a check and reiterated that she can't believe the house is more value than the one she lives in and the other house that she owns, which are valued at \$85,000.00, this house is \$92,000.00 with nothing.

Supervisor Crandall stated that Assessor DeRose will be in on Monday.

Ms. Gladney stated that she spoke with her when she got a School Tax bill for \$1,800.00, she has taken out \$800.00 in trash, the stairs were broken down and reiterated that she feels as though when the Town bought the house, they should have had it knocked down to the right price. She continued by saying that it took almost 2 months to get the water from the road into the house and had to stop and not finish because they didn't want it to freeze because there is no heat, no furnace, nothing.

Councilman Langdon stated that the County had the property before the Town and he would have thought that when they acquired the property, they would have had adjusted the taxes on property they acquired at that point.

Ms. Gladney stated that was what she thought and when she bought the property she thought that it was valued at \$5,000.00, which is what it is worth, this is what she thought she was paying taxes on and she didn't think she would have to pay taxes based on \$92,000.00, which is worth more than the house that she lives in.

Supervisor Crandall stated that he would contact Assessor DeRose and if there is anything possible that the Town Board can do, they will do it but they have to stay within the law.

Town Clerk Millious stated that when the Town got the property from the County, it was tax exempt but there were taxes on it when the County had it and the Town had to pay the tax, it goes by how it falls in the tax period but then the Town became tax exempt after that until Rose bought it.

Councilman Burns interjected that it should have been reassessed after she bought it by the Assessor.

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Ms. Tanner stated that it would be illegal to do that, you can assess a portion of a town but you can't go in individually and assess.

Supervisor Crandall stated that it is what is called spot assessing, which you can't do.

Councilman Youmans stated that the bottom line is that there is a process to go through for grieving your tax bill.

Ms. Gladney stated that she understands that but who would think that if you bought a house for \$5,000.00 that it would be valued at \$92,000.00 with nothing in it and reiterated that they couldn't even go on the property, the roof was flapping and there were no stairs to get in the house.

Ms. Tanner interjected that it works the other way too; someone may have a \$500,000.00 home and in turn give it to their kid for \$100,000.00.

Ms. Gladney stated that the house would be worth that, there is no way her house should be valued at \$92,000.00 and if anyone would like to see the house, she will be glad to show them.

Supervisor Crandall interjected that the Town Board sympathizes with her and if there is anything they can possibly do, they will.

Ms. Gladney stated that she appreciates that and she doesn't mind paying taxes if they are right and she's not paying \$1,800.00 and by the time she is done with taxes it will be another \$5,000.00, which is what she paid for the house and added that something is wrong.

Councilman Langdon stated that he agrees, he doesn't agree with how the process works and unfortunately house values don't get reassessed for tax purposes when they change hands, if someone gets a deal and buys a house cheap, the assessment doesn't change until they do a reassessment of the area. He reiterated that he doesn't agree with it but that is the way the tax system works.

Supervisor Crandall stated that he would check into it to see what they can do and he will get back to her.

Ms. Gladney stated that someone didn't do their job and when the Town bought the house, they knew it was junk, they knew it was trash, there is nothing in the house and she is trying to better the house and she can't pay taxes like this, she has two other houses that she owns with this one being valued more and that makes her feel real bad that there is a piece of junk that is valued more than her house. She then thanked the Town Board.

Supervisor Crandall asked if there were any other comments.

**Ms. Barbara Tanner** asked what is going on with the \$11,000.00 for the Town Clerk's vacant clerk position. She added that she knows that it is public comment period but she would like some answers and then asked if there is a time that they can ask the Town Board questions. She added that she doesn't want to be hard on anyone, they are all friends but she just wants some answers because she doesn't understand why because \$11,000.00 is not a big amount of money, if they charged everyone in Town .50 they could come up with it. She then asked if there was an answer.

Supervisor Crandall stated that he doesn't have an answer right now but if she wanted to call him or come see him, he would be glad to discuss it with her.

Ms. Tanner asked why they can't do it in public and added that it isn't Albany or New York City, it is the Town of Coeymans where they are all friends and neighbors and they can't get answers from the Board, which she doesn't understand.

Supervisor Crandall stated that when it first came up he did some calling around and according to other Town Clerks, they are over-staffed and the population has gone down in the past 15 years, maybe then there was a need for it but with the population decline of 10.2% they have to do something to come in line with other areas of the county. He added that it is a dollar and cents

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kind of thing and has nothing to do with anything but that and trying to save the taxpayers money, which is what he is doing.

Ms. Tanner stated that their office is dealing with the public and she's sure there is some department where they can take the money because when the public comes and there is no one there, they are going to be upset.

Supervisor Crandall stated that there should be someone there and in 1980 the population was a lot bigger than it is now and there were only two people then.

Ms. Tanner interjected that she is also the Tax Collector; New Baltimore has their own Tax Collector.

Supervisor Crandall stated that they were collecting taxes in 1980 also.

Ms. Tanner stated that she disagrees with him and she would really like to see it put back in the budget.

Supervisor Crandall thanked Ms. Tanner and then asked if there were any other comments.

**Ms. Virginia Pearson** stated that she is there representing the Rescue Squad and then asked who owns the street at 1 Bruno Blvd. because her husband Wayne has been plowing the Rescue Squad but he is laid up now and can't do it and during the last storm the Rescue Squad didn't get plowed out. She added that she saw the Village plow the other day plowing out the tennis court/play area and she asked them who was going to plow out the Rescue Squad and she was told that it's not theirs and in turn she asked how they can get someone to plow it because the ambulances have to get in and out and the workers have to park. She went on by saying that they called Henry Traver and he said to plow it this one time so she called the Town Highway and talked to George LaMountain who told her that it was Village property because they gave them the parking lot area across the street but the Village plowed the Senior Center and not the Rescue Squad.

Supervisor Crandall asked who plowed it.

Ms. Pearson stated that this time the Village plowed it but said they are not supposed to and she needs to know who is responsible for plowing it, if anyone, or maybe they need to hire someone to do it and Wayne would do it if he were able.

Supervisor Crandall stated that he would think it would be the Village but he would let Highway Superintendent Searles speak to that.

Highway Superintendent Searles stated that for years the Town did both and when they transferred the parking area and basketball court to the Village, the Village was supposed to take care of everything so the Town stopped doing it.

Supervisor Crandall asked that he call Henry Traver and settle it because they have to be plowed out.

Ms. Pearson interjected that when Wayne is back on his feet he will gladly do it.

Supervisor Crandall stated that there isn't any need for that, it is Village or Town property and one of them should be taking care of it.

Highway Superintendent Searles stated that part of Bruno on the side of the Rescue Squad there is a line that is the Town of Coeymans.

Councilman Youmans asked Scott take care of it while they hash it out.

Highway Superintendent Searles stated that he will take care of it.

Ms. Pearson stated that she just wants to know that if there is another snow storm, the ambulances will be able to get out.

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Highway Superintendent Searles reiterated that he will take care of it and meet with Henry and they will do what they have to do.

Councilman Dolan asked if she is asking about the street itself.

Ms. Pearson stated that she is talking about where the street connects to the building where the ambulances get in and out and the parking lot.

Councilman Dolan stated that he was trying to clarify if she is talking about the actual street where cars go from one street to the other.

Ms. Pearson interjected that it's not a street; it is butted up to the street.

Councilman Langdon stated that they are plowing the street; they are not clearing the lot.

Highway Superintendent Searles stated that the Village plows the street and he will plow right in front of where the seniors go in plus in front of the ambulance garage and parking lot.

Ms. Pearson stated that the Village plows out the Senior Center.

Highway Superintendent Searles reiterated that he will work it out with Henry.

Ms. Pearson thanked the Town Board.

Supervisor Crandall asked if there were any other comments.

**Ms. Mary Driscoll** stated that there was an article in the News Herald on January 12<sup>th</sup> about the Town Clerk and ironically it came out the day after the Town Board Meeting and in it the Supervisor mentioned the 1980's Town Clerk staff and then asked about the Supervisor's Office at the same time and whether or not they knew if there was a Clerk, Secretary, Bookkeeper and Accountant in 1980 and if anyone in the Supervisor's Office made \$25.50 an hour, which amounts to about \$50,000.00 or \$85,000.00 to do the Supervisor's job. She continued by saying that he also mentioned nearby towns, which is like comparing apples to grapes, there is more taxable property on the books now and they still raised taxes but didn't pass a budget. She went on by saying that she is convinced more than ever that it was nothing more than a political ploy so they can move money around and take it away. She added that the Town Clerk was elected by the law abiding taxpaying citizens of this town and she does not deserve a hostile environment to work in and when they disrespect her office, they disrespect every person in this town and they don't deserve that either.

Supervisor Crandall asked if anyone else wished to speak.

**Town Clerk Millious** stated that she lost her part-time Clerk back in October and did go through a budget process where she was approved for the help. She added that approximately five times she asked to be on the agenda and now has to speak at Public Comment period. She continued by saying that she feels as though if there was a problem with her staffing, she should have had a fair time like every other department to defend it and not now during her busy tax time. She went on by saying that it wouldn't even be \$11,000.00 now, they are almost at the end of January and it has put her workload behind because cutting her office 17 hours a week is cutting her office a lot considering what she does, which she explained previously. She added that even though the Town for the 2010 Census went down 700, it didn't change her workload, she has even taken on more like she said, she has three cemeteries and goes out in the field, she added an extra duty, which is not one of her duties because they had a hard time finding a Cemetery Coordinator and everything was in her office. She continued by saying that she said as long as she had the help she would give it a try, which she has done and now her office has been cut 17 hours, which put her behind and today for instance she didn't have an extra person, her Deputy was entitled to her lunch and there she was trying to do several things at once and if someone comes in for a marriage it can take 20-40 minutes and there could be someone at the same time wanting to pay their taxes and only need a paid stamp on their receipt or the phone is ringing and they don't realize what she does unless they are in her office. She went on by saying that if they want to compare her to the 1980's they are being very unfair considering the staffing the Supervisor has in his office, in the 80's there were not that many people but now there are 8 people working in

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that office, including the Supervisor, which you need an appointment to see, she knows because she has verified it with people that want to see him, there is a full-time Confidential Secretary, a Clerk that makes \$20.00 plus an hour and is not limited by Civil Service and can make as much as she wants, there is a part-time Human Resource/Payroll Clerk, an Internal Control Officer that makes \$105.00 an hour and an Accountant who makes \$35.00 an hour. She added that she doesn't have to be there, a Town Clerk doesn't have to be in her office all the time but she has to considering the workload as well as being very concerned with vacation time, when someone will be in the office alone. She concluded by saying that it would have been much fairer to go through this budget time than to do this to her now, they have the Lafarge PILOT money of a million dollars, she has given him over a million dollars so it's not a money issue.

Supervisor Crandall stated that she has collected revenue, the money comes to her and she must turn it over to the Supervisor's Office.

Town Clerk Millious stated that she knows that and she has turned it over and she wanted to say that they are not having a cash-flow problem.

Supervisor Crandall stated that the money has to last them through the whole year, the taxes and Lafarge money is budgeted and has to last the whole year and just because she sees a large amount of money, it doesn't mean that they can spend it and it's how the Town got in trouble for the two years before he was elected, they saw a large pool of money and it was like being in a candy store, they spent it all and had to borrow money to make it through payroll at the end of the year. He concluded by saying that this year they didn't have to borrow anything and they paid their bills on time.

Councilman Langdon stated that they didn't in 2015.

Supervisor Crandall stated that they did in 2014, they had to take out a TAN for \$310,000.00.

Councilman Langdon stated that he knew that and it was paid by the end of the next year and he can't talk budget because he did put it in his budget, so it is not a budgetary issue.

Supervisor Crandall stated that he wasn't talking about that, he was explaining it to Town Clerk Millious.

Councilman Langdon reiterated that he just said it was a budget issue, it was in the budget and he pulled it out after the new year.

Supervisor Crandall stated that it makes no difference and if they can save the taxpayers money, they are going to save the taxpayer money.

Town Clerk stated that she feels as though they raised tax dollars with her help in the budget and to cut public service is very unfair, it's a political punishment and she is taking it personal because she has different stories from him, he said she is over staffed, he compared her to different towns without being able to sit down at a Workshop if there was an issue that he had with her. She added that to go through it the way she is going through it, it is not right and very disrespectful to her during her busy time. She continued by reading an e-mail that she received from a former employee, Franny Farrell.

I have just read the article in the Ravena News Herald regarding the part-time position in the Town Clerk's Office. I am very surprised to hear that these funds are being taken away from this office. I personally think as a taxpayer that this is a huge mistake. I worked in this office as a part-time person in the early 2000's for about six years and I know personally how much work is done on a daily basis. There was never idle time, we always had work to do and most days had to leave things for the next day to complete. I am extremely surprised that the Board decided to make this decision, especially since these funds were available in December when I saw the position posted in the paper. Diane has always done a superb job as Town Clerk, I can attest to the fact that she knows this job like the back of her hand. She is always courteous, friendly and very helpful to the citizens of this town. She and her staff go above and beyond to help everyone that comes into her office and it is my understanding that a Town employee made a comment that anyone off the street could do that job. This job is too complex for anyone to ever come off the street and do that job. I would hope that the Town Board would reconsider this decision.

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Franny Farrell, Citizen of the Town of Coeymans

Town Clerk Millious stated that there was just one response from Councilman Youmans who said the following.

Dear Mrs. Farrell

Thank you for your input, we made this decision to make this change after carefully reviewing staffing levels in our Town Clerk Office and towns of similar size. After careful consideration and investigation, we determined that we were overstaffed.

Thank you,  
James Youmans  
Councilman, Town of Coeymans

Town Clerk Millious continued by saying that if this is how they feel, they should give her a chance at a Workshop or something where she can justify and show them the differences from different towns. She asked that they please reconsider this, her office is very behind and it's not what she was elected to do, she wants to keep her window open and serve the public without a long line and making people wait. She added that it could make someone wait ½ -1 hour depending on what she is doing, she does many things, she listed them at the last meeting and asked again that they reconsider it.

Supervisor Crandall thanked Town Clerk Millious and then asked if there were any other comments.

Ms. Driscoll stated that she thinks that it is disgusting that she has to beg for help when it has benefited the Town; it was in the budget and then asked what they did with the \$11,000.00. She added that they put it in there so they could use it for something else, something that they want and asked again what they did with the money. She reiterated that she thinks it is disgusting that they have to beg for help for Diane.

Supervisor Crandall asked if anyone else wished to comment, hearing none he moved to the next item on the agenda.

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**SUPERVISOR'S REPORTS**

**November 2016 – Amended**

FUND	BAL. FWD.	RECEIPTS	DISBURSE.	BALANCE
SEC. 8 HUD	\$ 7,196.38	\$ 46,701.90	\$ 48,531.77	\$ 5,366.51
			<b>TOT. REC. BAL.</b>	<b>\$1,350,391.64</b>

**December 2016**

FUND	BAL. FWD.	RECEIPTS	DISBURSE.	BALANCE
GENERAL	\$ 174,049.89	\$ 108,531.03	\$ 242,134.53	\$ 40,446.39
CONSOLIDATED	\$ 68,825.16	\$ 1.90	\$ 68,756.33	\$ 70.73
PART TOWN	\$ 455,498.85	\$ 1,201.15	\$ 13,735.58	\$ 442,964.42
HIGHWAY	\$ 151,015.88	\$ 2,407.50	\$ 93,040.48	\$ 30,382.90
BRIDGE CONS.	\$ 3,302.72	\$ 6.99	-0-	\$ 3,309.71
SEWER	\$ 84,303.16	\$ 86,135.95	\$ 168,809.32	\$ 1,629.79
SPECIAL WATER	\$ 49,197.12	\$ 2.08	\$ 894.13	\$ 48,305.07
TRUST & AGCY.	\$ 26,521.84	\$ 194,148.48	\$ 201,829.55	\$ 18,840.77
POL. FOR.	\$ 1,147.48	\$ .06	\$ 150.00	\$ 997.54
CAP. PROJ.	\$ 331,163.03	\$ 68,794.65	\$ 345,032.97	\$ 54,921.71

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<b>SEC. 8 HUD</b>	\$ 5,366.51	\$ 92,363.99	\$ 54,306.55	\$ 43,423.95
			<b>TOT. REC. BAL.</b>	<b>\$ 715,292.98</b>

**CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT**

<u>SAVINGS ACCOUNTS</u>	<u>COLATERAL</u>	<u>FDIC COVERAGE</u>	<u>COLLATERALIZED</u>
	<u>COVERAGE</u>		
Unemployment \$ 704.21	Greene County	\$ 250,000.00	\$1,617,763.81
Grove Cem. \$40,989.10	National Bank	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 103,789.00
C.H. Cem. <u>\$13,446.13</u>			
<b>Total \$55,139.44</b>			

**MOTION**

On motion of Councilman Dolan, seconded by Councilman Youmans the Supervisor’s amended report for November and Supervisor’s Report for December were approved as presented and read.

VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

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**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Town Clerk – December**

Supervisor Crandall asked that Town Clerk Millious give the Town Clerk’s Report.

Town Clerk Millious continued by giving the report.

Supervisor Crandall asked for a motion to approve the report.

**MOTION**

On motion of Councilman Langdon, seconded by Councilman Burns, the report was approved as presented and read.

VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

**Building – December**

Supervisor Crandall asked that Councilman Youmans give the Building Department Report.

Councilman Youmans continued by giving the report.

Supervisor Crandall asked for a motion to approve the report.

**MOTION**

On motion of Councilman Dolan, seconded by Councilman Burns, the report was approved as presented and read.

VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

**Sewer – December**

Supervisor Crandall asked that Chief Operator Kerr give the Sewer Department Report.

Chief Operator Kerr continued by giving the report.

Supervisor Crandall asked for a motion to approve the report.

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**MOTION**

On motion of Councilman Dolan, seconded by Councilman Youmans, the report was approved as presented and read.

VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

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**NEW BUSINESS**

**Hecate Energy – Energy Solar Farm**

Supervisor Crandall stated that he, Councilman Dolan and Building Inspector Cashin met with a company called Hecate Solar and they are interested in taking 360 acres on the Stalker Farm and putting in a Solar Energy Farm and in turn they referred them to the Planning Board so it is out of the Board’s hands and in the Planning Board’s capable hands to handle it. He added that he just wanted to report that they had a meeting, they are trying to bring business into town and he hopes that it works out.

Councilman Youmans interjected that he’s seen big Solar Farms going up in a lot of places.

Councilman Burns asked if it is taxable.

Supervisor Crandall stated that it is.

Councilman Langdon asked if they are looking to do all 300 acres.

Supervisor Crandall stated that they purchased 360 acres and they can use up to 75-80%. He added that a good thing about something like this is, he did a little research online and anyplace where these Solar Farms have gone in, and they have brought other businesses in to start tapping into the cheap energy so it can be a good thing.

Councilman Dolan stated that there is also a possibility that the Town itself can buy some energy and save some money.

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**RESOLUTIONS**

**RES. #044-17 AUTHORIZE VACANT SEWER FEE FOR NOT TO BE OCCUPIED BUILDING**

On motion of Councilman Dolan, seconded by Councilman Youmans, the following resolution was APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

**WHEREAS**, Coeymans Recycling Center, LLC is the owner of real estate property situate at 86 Main Street, in the Town of Coeymans, State of New York (“the Town”); and

**WHEREAS**, Coeymans Recycling Center, LLC has requested that the Town reduce the current and existing sewer fee for 86 Main Street (“the premises”) from a user fee to a vacant charge by virtue of the fact that the premises have been designated as, and placarded by, the Town’s Code Enforcement Officer to be “unsafe and not to be occupied”;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, as follows:

1. Any owner of real property in the Town which is designated as, and placarded by the Town’s Code Enforcement Officer as “NOT TO BE OCCUPIED” may hereinafter request from the Building Department that the Town reduce the existing sewer fee of said real property from a user fee to a vacant charge and said reduced fee shall be reinstated with the next Sewer Rate billing cycle or the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy, whichever comes first; and

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2. The request by the owner of the premises for a reduction of the user fee to a vacant charge is hereby granted, and the regular user fee shall be reinstated with the next Sewer Rate Billing Cycle or the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy, whichever comes first.

Councilman Langdon stated that in essence they are just getting a six-month reduction.

**RES. #045-17 AUTHORIZE EXCHANGE FOR SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH RAVENA LIBRARY**

On motion of Councilman Burns, seconded by Councilman Langdon, the following resolution was APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

**WHEREAS**, the R-C-S Community Library owns real property and improvements at 95 Main Street, Ravena, New York (“the library”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Coeymans has a responsibility to provide a shelter for displaced residents in the event of a disaster; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town has determined that the Library is suitable for use as an Emergency Public Shelter in the event of a disaster.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby authorize the Town Supervisor, Philip A. Crandall, to enter into a one (1) year Contract for Exchange of Services Agreement with the RCS Community Library and the Library shall be compensated at the rate of \$1,000.00.

**RES. #46-17 AUTHORIZE REMOVAL OF 69 MAIN STREET FROM SEWER BILLING**  
On motion of Councilman Langdon, seconded by Councilman Dolan, the following resolution was APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Coeymans has purchased parcel #168.12-1-40.2, also known as 69 Main Street, Coeymans; and

**WHEREAS**, this property was purchased specifically for the H41 Sewer Project; and

**WHEREAS**, this parcel was not removed from the 2017 Sewer Billing.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby authorize the removal of this parcel from the 2017 sewer listing; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby forgive the first half of the sewer rent billing in the amount of \$253.42.

Attorney for the Town Pastore stated that as a point of clarification on the resolution preceding this one regarding the library, on the last point where it says the compensated rate, do they want to say on an annual basis and then asked if it is clear as written.

Supervisor Crandall stated that it is clear; it says a one-year contract.

**RES. #047-17 APPROVE FEBRUARY ABSTRACT**

On motion of Councilman Youmans, seconded by Councilman Dolan, the following resolution was APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Board has approved the payment of bills as presented in the Abstract for February 23, 2017, as follows:

**PRE-PAID VOUCHERS – 173544,173579-173580,173583-173703 totaling \$1,952,968.46**

**VOUHER NUMBERS – 173704-173783 totaling \$162,893.69**

**TOTAL FOR ALL FUNDS – \$2,115,862.15**

**MINUTES BOOK\*\*TOWN OF COEYMANS  
January 26, 2017 – Town Board Meeting – 7:00pm**

**UPCOMING WORKSHOPS/MEETINGS**

- Planning Board Meeting, February 6, 2017, 7:00pm
- Town Board Meeting, February 9, 2017, 7:00pm

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**ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**MOTION**

On motion of Councilman Youmans, seconded by Councilman Dolan to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter.

VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

Time – 7:51pm

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION & ADJOURNMENT**

Executive Session convened in the Supervisor’s Office immediately following adjournment from the Town Board Meeting to discuss a personnel matter with the entire Town Board and Attorney for the Town Pastore present. No decisions were made or action taken.

**MOTION**

On motion of Councilman Youmans, seconded by Supervisor Crandall, the Town Board Meeting was adjourned.

Time- 8:51

***Respectfully Submitted -***

**APPROVED –**

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***Diane L. Millious, Town Clerk***