

MINUTES BOOKTOWN OF COEYMANS**

March 23, 2017 – Town Board Meeting – 7:00pm

A Town Board Meeting was held Thursday, March 23, 2017 at 7:00pm at Town Hall, 18 Russell Avenue, Ravena, New York

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

ALSO PRESENT: Diane L. Millious, Town Clerk
John Cashin, Building Inspector
Scott Searles, Highway Superintendent
John Kerr, Chief Operator

Supervisor Crandall opened the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPENING COMMENT

Supervisor Crandall stated that the record should reflect the presence of a full Town Board also attending were Town Clerk Millious, Building Inspector Cashin, Highway Superintendent Searles and Chief Operator Kerr.

AGENDA

- Presentations
 - Albany County Veteran’s Service Bureau, Michael Good & James Ader
- Public Announcements
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 - VFW Easter Egg Hunt
- Public Comment
- Approval of Minutes
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 - NYS Thruway Meeting Information
 - Equipment Operator I Position, Beautification
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PRESENTATION

Albany County Veteran's Service Bureau

Supervisor Crandall invited Michael Good and James Ader from the Albany County Veteran's Service Bureau to give their presentation.

Mr. Ader thanked the Town Board for their time and added that he and Mr. Good are Veteran's and Service Officers, Mr. Good is the Director of the Albany County Veteran's Service Bureau and they are there to ask for the Board's help. He continued by saying that in Albany County they have over 20,000 Veterans according to the 2010 census, they have identified at their office and had interaction with around 1,800, which is not even 10% and they can imagine their frustration because it is not easy for them to get in touch with their community for whatever reason. He went on by saying that they have learned that there is information that they can get from the Assessor and they are going to start pursuing that but the biggest challenge that they face is each and every Veteran, regardless of what branch they served in, have one thing in common, a hard head and it is very much required that he can actually get two guys almost by dragging them by the ear to the services. He added that he wanted to read their Mission Statement so they can understand how all-encompassing it really is and read the following:

The Mission of the Albany County Veteran's Service Bureau is to assist Veteran's and their families in obtaining any and all County, State and Federal benefits to which they are entitled.

He continued by saying that this is how they like to approach the job and they will try anything for their veterans and families. He added that recently they have tried to explain and get people to embrace the thought that if you are a Veteran who lives in Albany County or in a surrounding County close enough to utilize the VA Medical Center and you feel you are not financially eligible, which a great many are not, you should still report and register at the Stratton VA Medical Center so they can get more funding so those that are utilizing the services can see an increase in the quality of the services. He added that if you know a Veteran in the Town or across county lines, tell them to register because the quality of the service to those using it will increase and it will be really nice to have should you come to a point where you need the services, to be already registered. He then asked Mr. Good if he missed any key points.

Mr. Good stated that the VA has a daycare for seniors and it allows the senior veterans to get out of the house and have something to do with other veterans, which is a good thing to do but to be able to get the service, you have to be registered with the VA. He continued by saying that by registering with the VA, it will open a lot of doors for Veterans later on in the future and for low income veterans there is a program called Aide and Attendance and it is for low income veterans who are physically fit but can't make ends meet and a home-bound program for veterans stuck at home who need help. He concluded by saying that the VA is trying its best to help their veteran's quality of life improve and reiterated that registering is the key.

Councilman Youmans asked if they physically have to go to the VA Hospital to register or if it something that they can do on-line.

Mr. Good stated that there is a website and if you Google 10-10ez there is a form that opens up and you can register that way but they have to submit a copy of their discharge papers, it can be a DA214 or for the older veterans it would be separation papers.

Mr. Ader interjected that if anyone needs assistance getting the forms, they can help and if someone wants to file a disability claim they can help with that also and then asked the Town Board to help them help our veterans.

Ms. Tanner stated that her husband was a veteran and was in the VA Hospital in Hospice, which was fantastic but she heard that they did away with that.

Mr. Ader stated that is not true, they still have Hospice.

Mr. Good stated that they also have a Nursing Home that was created a few months ago.

Ms. Tanner stated that someone just told her that they did away with Hospice.

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Mr. Ader stated that is not his understanding and he will check for her.

Ms. Tanner stated that she was speaking with a veteran at the Senior Center and he said he was told that he isn't eligible for benefits because he didn't have two years in.

Mr. Ader stated that if you don't have 180 days of active duty for other than training purposes you are not a veteran.

Councilman Langdon asked if someone is using the VA Hospital, if they they likely registered.

Mr. Ader stated that they are.

Councilman Youmans asked for those who may be watching at home, his phone number.

Mr. Ader stated that it is (518) 447-7710 and you will get either Mike or himself.

Councilman Youmans asked where the office is on Washington Avenue.

Mr. Ader stated that it is 162 Washington Avenue, across from the main branch of the public library near the Armory on the corner between Lark and Dove.

Collectively the Town Board thanked them for what they are doing.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Town Board Meeting Date Change

Supervisor Crandall stated that the Town Board Meeting scheduled for April 13th has been moved to April 20th.

VFW Easter Egg Hunt

Supervisor Crandall stated that the VFW Easter Egg Hunt will be April 15th at 11:00am at the Veteran's Hall and continued by reading the following:

To the R-C-S Community,

As many of you know the VFW Post 9594 and the VFW Auxiliary Post has sponsored the R-C-S Community Easter Egg Hunt each year. This year it will be Saturday, April 15th at 11:00am, it marks our 66th consecutive year of doing so. If you ever attended this community event, you know that well over 200 local children attend this event each year. This year we will be stuffing approximately 2,000 Easter eggs for the hunt and as always will be providing each child with a chocolate Easter Bunny, the opportunity to take a picture with the Easter bunny and many other gifts and prizes. We usually give away 5-10 bicycles, 30-40 Easter baskets filled with candy and toys and other items which are paid for by the Post and business leaders in the community. We are proud to sponsor this event each year for the children of the R-C-S Community and hope that you will help support this joyous family tradition from our community.

Trip Powell, Post Commander
Chrissy Cevetic, Auxiliary President

PUBLIC COMMENT

Supervisor Crandall invited the public to comment at this time.

Mr. Dan Boomer stated that he pays over \$10,000.00 a year in Town of Coeymans and Albany County Taxes each year and for that money he gets to live in an area that looks like South Pearl Street in Albany. He continued by saying that there has been a television set laying at the

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intersection of Starr Road and Rte. 143 for over a week, it was part of the snow bank, now it is melted down on the highway and he would like for his leaders to get in touch with someone to pick it up.

Highway Superintendent Searles interjected that he called the State.

Mr. Boomer added that the State of New York DOT, they have got to do something about them, they are hideous, he has seen them riding around, almost daily, there is a crew of 4-5 in the truck that ride around, he saw them on Old Ravena Road and then cruising 30 mph on 9W and then turned on Fuller Road and came out by the old Marshalls, they were just goofing around. He added that it's not just here, he also saw them in Glenmont riding around with their feet hanging out of the window at 7:00 in the morning and added that there seems to be a big difference between Greene County DOT and Albany County DOT and he feels as though the Town doesn't have anyone. He then asked again for someone to pick up the television set and continued by saying that he has been told that the speed reduction for Biechman Road has been rejected.

Supervisor Crandall stated that it has been, he received a letter from DOT rejecting it and he immediately sent an e-mail with more questions and added that he will be persistent in pursuing it.

Mr. Boomer stated that it is a Town Road and then asked why they are getting involved with DOT.

Supervisor Crandall stated that the law says that the State will set all speed-limits and if they want to get it lowered or raised, they have to get State approval because it is a State mandate.

Mr. Boomer stated that means extra layers and extra money. He continued by saying that there is a beautifully paved Powell Hill Road right next door with a speed limit of 35 mph, which he doesn't understand why everything is so much different when they are only ¼ mile apart, his road looks like a third world country road and he has been assured that if they get a chance they will try and pave it this year, it has been all of 10 years. He added that he bops up and down on his road, which is nothing but patches and holes and the end of the road it is a disgusting mess of Mr. Krzykowski's estate that has been there for a couple years and he would like for someone to do something about that and the last time he spoke to the Supervisor he was told that it is in the hands of the County.

Supervisor Crandall stated that it still is.

Mr. Boomer stated that he would like someone to light a fire under these people, they deserve better than this and he is living in a slum. He added that he has a nice Physician's Assistant tenant for probably 10 years, raising a young family and trying to make a go of it and he asked what is going on with that so he tried to explain it. He continued by saying that they are trying to attract nice folks to come and live in our town, but our town looks like a dump and they get nowhere with it, the roads are hideous and there are 4 guys riding around in a State vehicle that can't stop to pick up a tv set and there are leaves laying around from last year all over the bridge and along Rt. 143. He concluded by saying that the Board is the resident's representatives and he wants them to do something about it and then asked how they are doing with the Rt. 144 repaving plan or if they had forgotten about it, it was patched so it's better than it was but they deserve new roads.

Supervisor Crandall stated that there have been numerous meetings with DOT and they promised they are going to work on it in 2018, they are going to start the preliminary work this year with surveying and field work and it is going to be taken care of. He then asked Highway Superintendent Searles if he addressed DOT about the tv.

Highway Superintendent Searles stated that he did and added that if the Board would like, his crew will pick it up.

Supervisor Crandall stated that if they don't by tomorrow, he would like for him to do it. He then asked if there were any other comments, hearing none he moved to the next item on the agenda.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Supervisor Crandall stated that there were two sets of minutes for Town Board approval, a Town Board Meeting on February 23rd and a Town Board Meeting on March 9th and then asked for a motion to approve them.

Councilman Youmans asked that they break it down to two motions because he wasn't here for the February 23rd Meeting.

MOTION

On motion of Councilman Dolan, seconded by Councilman Burns, approving the minutes for the February 23rd Town Board Meeting
VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

On motion of Councilman Dolan, seconded by Councilman Youmans approving the minutes for the March 9th Town Board Meeting.
VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

February 2017

FUND	BAL. FWD.	RECEIPTS	DISBURSE.	BALANCE
GENERAL	\$1,955,097.72	\$1,224,719.56	\$1,421,439.10	\$1,758,378.18
CONSOLIDATED	\$ 70.74	\$ 71,532.59	\$ 70,280.13	\$ 1,323.20
PART TOWN	\$ 576,205.08	\$ 1,098.94	\$ 114,127.81	\$ 463,176.21
HIGHWAY	\$ 34,108.46	\$ 126,533.76	\$ 82,896.24	\$ 77,745.98
BRIDGE CONS.	\$ 3,312.82	\$ 2.14	-0-	\$ 3,314.96
SEWER	\$ 38,838.19	\$ 64,209.31	\$ 33,408.84	\$ 69,638.66
SPECIAL WATER	\$ 48,307.12	\$ 35,821.39	-0-	\$ 84,128.51
TRUST & AGCY.	\$ 28,301.85	\$ 213,274.16	\$ 182,493.32	\$ 59,082.69
POL. FOR.	\$ 997.59	\$.04	-0-	\$ 997.63
CAP. PROJ.	\$ 51,221.80	\$ 70,293.41	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 120,515.21
SEC. 8 HUD	\$ 1,960.09	\$ 48,203.58	\$ 46,512.47	\$ 3,651.20
			TOT. REC. BAL.	\$ 2,641,952.43

CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT

<u>SAVINGS ACCOUNTS</u>	<u>COLATERAL</u>	<u>FDIC COVERAGE</u>	<u>COLLATERALIZED</u>
	<u>COVERAGE</u>		
Unemployment \$ 704.27	Greene County	\$ 250,000.00	\$3,163,655.40
Grove Cem. \$40,992.41	National Bank	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 104,229.00
C.H. Cem. <u>\$13,447.22</u>			
Total \$55,143.90			

Supervisor Crandall asked for a motion approving the report

MOTION

On motion of Councilman Dolan, seconded by Councilman Youmans, the Supervisor's Report was approved as presented and read.
VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

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DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Town Clerk – February 2017

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

Town Clerk Millious 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

Building – February 2017

Supervisor Crandall asked that Building Inspector Cashin give the Building Department Monthly Report.

Building Inspector Cashin continued by giving the report.

Supervisor Crandall asked for a motion to approve the report.

MOTION

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

VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

Sewer – February 2017

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

Chief Operator Kerr continued by giving the report.

Supervisor Crandall asked for a motion to approve the report.

MOTION

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

VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

NEW BUSINESS

2017 Portable Toilet Rental

Supervisor Crandall stated that he has some prices for portable toilets for the parks, which the Town Board also has and they can save approximately \$20.00 on the whole thing if they go with Royal Flush.

Councilman Dolan stated that they used Royal Flush two years ago and last year Big Top gave them a lower price.

Supervisor Crandall interjected that the one they used two years ago is now coming in at a lower price and then asked for a motion authorizing a contract with the lowest bidder.

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MOTION

On motion of Councilman Youmans, seconded by Councilman Dolan, authorizing the Supervisor to enter into a contract with Royal Flush for portable toilet rentals for the parks.

VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

Potential Solar Farm for Hudson Homestead Group

Supervisor Crandall stated that this week, he and Councilman Dolan met with Charles Wesley, Architect and Design Project Manager for Hudson Homestead Group and they are considering putting in a small solar farm behind the bowling alley if it meets approval and they wanted to know if the Town would be open to that. He added that he said he personally would have no objection to it as long as they went through the Planning Board and Building Inspector and did everything according to State Law specifications. He continued by saying that they also wanted to know if the Town would be interested in buying energy for a cheaper price if they put it in and of course he said yes and that he would take it up with the Town Board to see what they wanted to do.

Councilman Burns interjected that he attended a meeting with the Village for the same thing, which might be a different company.

Supervisor Crandall stated that they met with a couple of different companies this year.

Councilman Burns stated that they talked about doing it a couple years ago and he doesn't know why they didn't do it.

Councilman Youmans asked if the property behind the bowling alley is in the Village.

Supervisor Crandall stated that a part of it is Village and part is Town and this is why they came to the Town. He reiterated that they were feeling them out to see how they felt about it and added that he is encouraging it and won't steer them away.

Councilman Burns stated that it is a good spot for it.

Councilman Langdon asked about the size.

Supervisor Crandall stated that it will be small, 5-6 acres.

Ms. Tanner asked about the current status of the land.

Supervisor Crandall stated that it is vacant land and they are considering the field part nearest to the Thruway.

Ms. Tanner asked if it needs Village and Town approval.

Supervisor Crandall stated that for the part in the Town, they have to come to the Town Planning Board and for the part in the Village, they have to go to the Village Planning Board.

Councilman Dolan interjected that it will depend on where they plan on putting it and they are looking for a piece that is the closest to the line but haven't decided exactly where they are going to put it.

Supervisor Crandall stated that it is in the initial stage and very up in the air.

Councilman Dolan stated that they are mostly interested in seeing if they build it, if the Town would be interested in buying energy from them and they also gave them information about others that may want to buy energy, such as the Port of Coeymans.

Mr. Boomer from the audience asked about putting it on the roof of the Town Building or the Highway Garage or possibly Joralemon Park.

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Supervisor Crandall stated that they did look into all of that and they were shot down, they can't make money.

Mr. Boomer stated that he wondered if they can find a company that will work with the Town and help them with costs.

Supervisor Crandall stated that they are looking for avenues to cut corners and cut money any way they can.

Councilman Youmans stated that the Conservation Advisory Council is working on that and they have developed a Natural Clean Energy Plan, Mr. McGuire has been very instrumental in working on that.

Ms. Mary Driscoll asked if any of the Town Board live in that area and if they are aware of any effects that it will have on people that live near there and if there will be a Public Hearing.

Supervisor Crandall stated that none of them live near there and added that if it comes to that, there will have to be a Public Hearing.

NYS Thruway Meeting

Supervisor Crandall stated that he also met with representatives from the NYS Thruway about trying to do something about the noise through the Village and along Rt. 144 and they asked them to consider sound barriers like you can see in Colonie and Guilderland. He added that they listened to their request but the amount of money to do it is astronomical, approximately 4 million dollars a mile for one side but they did say they would look at it and possibly bring in more tree lines to help absorb some of the noise and also said that in 2018 they are going to repave the thruway from Coxsackie to Albany, which will eliminate a lot of the truck noise from hitting the bumps.

Ms. Tanner interjected that the thruway was there long before Magnolia Circle.

Supervisor Crandall stated that he was talking about the whole Village.

Councilman Dolan stated that there is a section that hugs along Bennett Court where there is an approach slab, it could be bad and causing the trucks to bounce so they are going to go down and do some tests and will replace that if necessary. He concluded by saying that they were very responsive and could not have been any nicer.

Supervisor Crandall interjected that they were very logical and personable.

Equipment Operator I Position

Supervisor Crandall stated he would like for a motion to be offered to advertise for an Equipment Operator I position in the Beautification Department so they can get someone hired by sometime in May.

MOTION

On motion of Councilman Dolan, seconded by Councilman Burns, authorizing Town Clerk Millious to advertise for the Equipment Operator I position for the Beautification Department.
VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

Highway Superintendent Searles interjected that it has to be posted in house for 10 days.

CORRESPONDENCE

NYS DOT – RTE. 143

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Supervisor Crandall stated that Highway Superintendent Searles was on the news and in response to that he sent a correspondence to the Department of Transportation because he didn't like their answer to the problem, which was short and curt. He added that it pertains to the curve at the corner of Aquetuck Road and Rt. 143 and he did get a response from Patrick Barnes, the person responsible for this area and continued by reading his reply as follows:

I spoke with our Highway Design Group and based on our design criteria, guardrail would not be warranted on this curve, however the location of the house creates a unique situation. Guiderail is designed to redirect an errant vehicle traveling along a highway back towards the highway. The rail is designed for an impact angle of about 15 degrees to the rail with a minimum rail length of 125 feet. In this case, the vehicle would be impacting the rail at a much steeper angle and so the rail won't react as a traditional box beam, but it would rather "gate" (collapse) when impacted. We feel that the vehicle impacting the guiderail in this configuration, although not ideal, is better than a vehicle striking the house. Therefore it is my intention to replace the rail with 3" post spacing this spring using our State Forces.

He continued by saying that Mr. Barnes also said that at this time there is no Capital Project for this section of Rt. 143 so in other words, he is saying he is doing the Town a favor, which he doesn't care about and a least will be putting 3 foot solid posts at that corner, which will not be a guiderail and if you impact it, it should not go anywhere, it will stop the vehicle and not hit the house. He concluded by saying that he got a promise in writing, which he will give to Highway Superintendent Searles along with contact information for Mr. Barnes.

Highway Superintendent Searles stated that the person who hit the guiderail, their insurance company has to pay to have it reinstalled, which is already in process and the company that was going to do it doesn't work in the wintertime so when they got back to work they were going to do it and reinforce it so he will have to call them to find out what will happen now.

Supervisor Crandall stated that they have something in writing and they are promising to do it and he can hold their feet to the fire and added that he didn't like how the DOT cut Highway Superintendent Searles off so he didn't get a chance to say everything he wanted to say.

Highway Superintendent Searles interjected that he had plenty more to say.

Councilman Burns interjected that it is a bad stretch of road and they have had plans for years to move it but there was never any money to do it.

Councilman Langdon asked if they are just putting posts.

Councilman Burns stated that they are putting the rail as well.

Councilman Dolan stated that he thinks they are putting the posts three feet apart so if you hit it, it won't buckle.

Supervisor Crandall stated that if you hit it, the guiderail won't collapse and you won't hit the house.

Councilman Dolan interjected that he has two things from the Albany County Legislator, the Albany County Department for Children, Youth and Families Youth Bureau Youth Recognition Awards, which will be for most improved student, artistic expression, the Lt. John Finn Community Service Award, Ed Roach Outstanding Youth Award, and the George Rose Athletic Achievement. He added that if anyone is aware of any youth in the community he will leave it in Town Hall as well as having it posted on the website with nominations being due by April 28, 2017 so if anyone knows a high-school student who does outstanding volunteer work or any service to the community they can call Mr. Touchette. He continued by saying that the other thing that County Legislator Touchette wanted to mention is the Albany County Legislature Grant Application, two were awarded last year, one to the Historical Society and one to the Boy Scouts, it is a grant through the Albany County Legislature for any non-profit organization that has not received the award within the last three years and it has to be for capital expenses, not an ongoing expense such as payroll etc.

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Supervisor Crandall stated that it would be for something like baseball equipment for the Little League, the Boy Scouts bought new paddles for their canoes, new tents and camping equipment.

Councilman Dolan reiterated that he will leave the information at Town Hall and will asked that Confidential Secretary Rowzee have it put on the Town’s website and for anyone interested, they can call Town Hall.

Supervisor Crandall stated that in going back to the Rt. 143 discussion, he asked them to replace the sign suggesting to slow down to a permanent sign for 20mph around the curve, which he didn’t think is unreasonable but the State did.

RESOLUTIONS

RES. #059-17 ADOPT NEW YORK STATE SOLAR PERMIT

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

WHEREAS, New York State has developed a Unified Solar Photovoltaic Permitting Process designed to streamline municipal permitting, which will reduce costs for solar projects and support the growth of clean energy jobs across the state; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Coeymans is desirous of participating in the Unified Permitting Process, thereby increasing the City’s eligibility for various incentives and grants through the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby adopt the New York State Unified Solar Permit as attached hereto as Exhibit 1; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Conservation Advisory Council to complete the grant application through the Streamlined Permitting Program to allow for the Town to receive a grant award up to \$2,500.00 from the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority for the adoption of the Unified Solar Permit Application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately and a copy of the resolution, with Exhibit I shall be provided to the Building Department.

Supervisor Crandall asked that Building Inspector Cashin explain what this is.

Building Inspector Cashin stated that it is a way of solar contractors knowing what the Town expects from them and he thinks the most important thing is that it ties the municipality into a certain date and the amount of them that they have to turn the Permit over. He added that it is frustrating for some companies that might be waiting a month to get their permit and this would tighten that up and his office has given Solar Permits in 20 minutes over the counter. He concluded by saying that it is necessary to go forward with the grant process.

Councilman Dolan interjected that they are getting more requests for people to do solar installations.

Supervisor Crandall stated that he wanted to thank Mike McGuire and the Conservation Committee for working so hard on this and getting all the forms together.

RES. #060-17 AMEND JUSTICE AUDIT

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

WHEREAS, Linda T. Eissing, Clerk to the Justices has made the Town Board aware of an inadvertent error on the Annual Audit of Justice Court Records conducted on March 16, 2017.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board, of the Town of Coeymans, does hereby amend the following answer on page 45 of the Audit to read:

- Has the Court received any notices regarding late reporting? ___ Yes X No
Councilman Youmans stated that he thought the correspondence from Clerk Eissing should be read into the record and continued by reading the following:

To: Philip A. Crandall, Supervisor
From: Linda T. Eissing, Clerk to the Justice

RE: Annual Audit

I have been made aware that on the Annual Audit Report, page (Dardani) 45, there was an error made. In my haste I checked the wrong box for late reporting. There have never been any notices whatsoever concerning late reporting. They have always been punctual as our records/filing receipts would reflect.

Please find the enclosed corrected page (Dardani) 45 for your records.

Thank you and I apologize for this inconvenience.

RES. #061-17 APPROVE JUSTICE ANNUAL AUDIT

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

WHEREAS, the Town Board must complete or have completed an audit in accordance with Town Law, Section 123 and Section 2019-A of the Uniform Justice Court Act of all Town Justices; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has adopted an Audit Procedure, based on the Local Management Guide, Fiscal Oversight Responsibilities, published by the State of New York Office of the State Comptroller, on May 14, 2007, to be applied to the records of each Town Justice; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has completed the Audit on March 16, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has amended said Audit on March 23, 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the records of Town Justice Dardani have been reviewed by the following reviewers and have concluded as follows:

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Conclusion</u>
Philip A. Crandall	See attached checklist/comments
Thomas E. Dolan	See attached checklist/comments
George E. Langdon	See attached checklist/comments
Kenneth A. Burns	Absent
James C. Youmans	See attached checklist/comments

The records of Town Justice Reilly have been reviewed by the following reviewers and have concluded as follows:

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Kenneth A. Burns	Absent
James C. Youmans	See attached checklist/comments

The completed checklists, which include the reviewers' comments and conclusions are made part of this resolution.

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RES. #062-17 APPROVE TOWN OFFICIALS ANNUAL AUDIT

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

The Town Board must complete or have completed an audit, in accordance with Section 123 of Town Law of all Town Officials that handle cash; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has adopted an Audit Procedure, based on the Local Management Guide, Fiscal Oversight Responsibilities, published by the State of New York Office of the State Comptroller , on May 14, 2007, to be applied to the records of each Town Official that handles cash; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has completed the Audit on March 16, 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the records of the Town Supervisor have been reviewed by the following reviewers and have concluded as follows:

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Conclusion</u>
Philip A. Crandall	See attached checklist/comments
Thomas E. Dolan	See attached checklist/comments
George E. Langdon	See attached checklist/comments
Kenneth A. Burns	Absent
James C. Youmans	See attached checklist/comments

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the records of the Town Clerk have been reviewed by the following reviewers and have concluded as follows:

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Conclusion</u>
Philip A. Crandall	See attached checklist/comments
Thomas E. Dolan	See attached checklist/comments
George E. Langdon	See attached checklist/comments
Kenneth A. Burns	Absent
James C. Youmans	See attached checklist/comments

The records of Receiver of Taxes have been reviewed by the following reviewers and have concluded as follows:

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Conclusion</u>
Philip A. Crandall	See attached checklist/comments
Thomas E. Dolan	See attached checklist/comments
George E. Langdon	See attached checklist/comments
Kenneth A. Burns	Absent
James C. Youmans	See attached checklist/comments

The records of the Town Clerk's collection of water receipts have been reviewed by the following reviewers and have concluded as follows:

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Conclusion</u>
Philip A. Crandall	See attached checklist/comments
Thomas E. Dolan	See attached checklist/comments
George E. Langdon	See attached checklist/comments
Kenneth A. Burns	Absent
James C. Youmans	See attached checklist/comments

The records of the Town Clerk's collection of sewer receipts have been reviewed by the following reviewers and have concluded as follows:

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<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Conclusion</u>
Philip A. Crandall	See attached checklist/comments
Thomas E. Dolan	See attached checklist/comments
George E. Langdon	See attached checklist/comments
Kenneth A. Burns	Absent
James C. Youmans	See attached checklist/comments

The records of the Police Chief’s collection of bail and other cash receipts have been reviewed by the following reviewers and have concluded as follows:

Board Member	Conclusion
Philip A. Crandall	See attached checklist/comments
Thomas E. Dolan	See attached checklist/comments
George E. Langdon	See attached checklist/comments
Kenneth A. Burns	Absent
James C. Youmans	See attached checklist/comments

The completed checklist, which includes the reviewers comments and conclusions are made part of this resolution.

RES. #63-17 APPROVE MARCH ABSTRACT

On motion of Councilman Dolan, seconded by Councilman Youmans, the following resolution was – APPROVED – APPROVED – 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 March, 2017, as follows:

PRE-PAID VOUCHERS – 173784-173870,173875-173883,173913,173960-173962 for a total of - \$401,621.16

VOUCHER NUMBERS – 173871-173874,173884-173912,173914-173959 for a total of - \$88,895.03

TOTAL FOR ALL FUNDS – \$490,516.19

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS/MEETINGS

- Planning Board Meeting, April 3, 2017, 7:00pm
- Conservation Advisory Council Meeting, April 11, 2017, 6:00pm
- Town Board Meeting, April 20, 2017, 7:00pm

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Supervisor Crandall asked if there were any other comments.

Mr. Dan Boomer stated that he forgot to tell them about the giant Willow Tree on the cul-de-sac at the end of Biechman Road that birds have eaten holes into and half of it is going to fall down, which will knock down the power lines to his apartment house as well as hitting tenant’s cars that are parked there.

Supervisor Crandall stated that he should give Highway Superintendent Searles a description of where it is.

Mr. Dan Boomer stated that he did last year and nothing had been done and someone came up to prune trees but didn’t touch it, he added that there are limbs hanging all over and it looks like something out of a horror film and his Insurance Agent told him to send a certified letter to the

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Board but he decided to address it in a public setting. He concluded by saying that it is going to do some real damage when it comes down.

Supervisor Crandall asked that Highway Superintendent Searles take a look at it to see if it is something the Highway Department can handle.

Highway Superintendent Searles stated that there are power lines so they may have to contact Central Hudson.

Supervisor Crandall asked if there were any other comments.

Councilman Youmans stated that he wanted to thank Highway Superintendent Searles and his crew for their performance during the last storm. He added that he understands that when snowfall rates exceed 3 inches an hour it is nearly impossible to plow snow and there were a couple of incidents that really accentuated just what a dangerous job it can actually be and he is thankful that no one was injured. He continued by saying that he wanted everyone to know in that department knows how much he and the rest of the people in town appreciated their efforts during that storm because it was a nightmare. He went on by saying that he wanted to point out for clarification that they have had some issues in town with people dumping tv's and junk with a couple of areas in the town that are prone to that and he has seen some Facebook posts with pictures of junk on the side of the road by people that live on the very same road. He concluded by saying that he called Highway Superintendent Searles at the Highway Garage and left a message before he got in the shower to get ready for work and on his way to work he drove past there to see what kind of mess was there and it was already cleaned up, if they know about it, they do a good job and when they know about things, they take care of it.

Mr. Boomer interjected that it should have been the State but it was nice that Mr. Searles got on it and added that people drove past it for well over a week.

Councilman Youmans stated that the State was called.

Mr. Boomer stated that the Town Board needs to get after the State or maybe the people need to revolt because of the way that the State is charging and hampering their success right down to an extra set of school buses for different children, they are paying double school buses, which he thinks is a State mandate. He concluded by saying that his big thing is quality of life.

Supervisor Crandall asked if there were any other comments.

Councilman Dolan stated that he also wanted to thank the Highway Department, he doesn't live on a steep road but there were all kinds of cars stuck in front of his house all day and added that it was a different type of storm and it was hard to plow. He added that any problems that they were aware of, they passed along to Highway Superintendent Searles to handle and reiterated that they appreciate it.

Supervisor Crandall asked if there were any other comments.

Councilman Burns stated that there was going to be a Memorial Service for Donny VanAlstyne and then asked Highway Superintendent Searles to give the details.

Highway Superintendent Searles stated that it will be on Saturday, March 25th at 11:30am at the Reformed Church on Rt. 9W in Selkirk with a fellowship after at the Senior Projects.

Supervisor Crandall asked if there were any other comments.

Town Clerk Millious stated that she is getting toward the end of the Tax Collection, it will be next Friday to pay in person or postmarked on that day, online payments can be made on the Town's website under quick links, property taxes and there is a 2.45% fee for paying online. She continued by saying that she is currently collecting for Water and if you haven't received a bill, you should give her a call at 756-2100 and for anyone needing Property Tax Bills for their Income Taxes, they can call her or they can be obtained online as well as the School Tax Bills being available on the R-C-S School District website under quick links, tax bills.

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Supervisor Crandall asked if there were any other comments.

Highway Superintendent Searles stated that he is waiting to hear from the Insurance Company about the truck and they will take it from there. He added that he wanted to thank the Town Board for the accolades they give the Highway Department, it is few and far between and he will pass it on to his guys.

Supervisor Crandall stated that he is very thankful no one was hurt and when he called to say the truck tipped over he told him on the phone, they can replace a truck but you can't replace a person. He then 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 Meeting was adjourned.

VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

Time – 8:04pm

Respectfully Submitted,

APPROVED –

Diane L. Millious, Town Clerk