

MINUTES BOOKTOWN OF COEYMANS**
September 26, 2019 – Town Board Meeting – 7:00pm

A Town Board Meeting was held Thursday, September 26th, 2019 at 7:00pm at Town Hall, 18 Russell Avenue, Ravena, New York

PRESENT: Philip Crandall, Supervisor
Daniel D. Baker, Councilman
Kenneth C. Burns, Councilman
Thomas E. Dolan, Councilman

ABSENT: James C. Youmans, Councilman

ALSO PRESENT: Cindy L. Rowzee, Town Clerk
Paul Pastore, Attorney to the Town
Daniel Contento, Officer in Charge
Scott Searles, Highway Superintendent

Audience (11) Media (1)

Supervisor Crandall opened the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance. He stated that there was a full board except for Councilman Youmans who was sick. He then introduced the following presentation.

Presentations

2020 Census – Mr. Robert Scardamalia, a Partnership Specialist of the NYS Census Bureau, gave a presentation on the 2020 Census and the importance of getting a complete count. He left paperwork with each of the Town Board Members and the Town Clerk with information in it. After his PowerPoint presentation he took a few questions from the audience.

Supervisor Crandall thanked Mr. Scardamalia for his presentation. He then stated that since there were no public announcements and so moved on to Public Comment.

Public Comment

Ms. Barbara Tanner, of Ravena, stood and stated how disappointed she was in the Board's actions at last Town Board meeting. From what happened she assumed that the Attorney was not notified beforehand. She mentioned an incident from the last meeting where there was a resolution for Officer Iovinelli to be reappointed who had resigned at the previous meeting and Supervisor Crandall had said it was different people. She had a copy of both agendas to show it was the same person. She stated that she does not have any problem rehiring, she only hopes and prays that who is elected will work together as a board.

Ms. Mary Driscoll, of Coeymans, stood and stated that the last town meeting was most interesting and amusing and that we saw democracy at work when taxpayers walked out. She stated that it was hard to hear in back. She also questioned why two people were doing

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interviews and not the whole board. She questioned the Board for not listening to the Town Attorney when he advised not to go ahead with the resolutions.

Mr. Aaron Flach, Acting Chair of the RCS Business Association, stood and spoke regarding the economic development advisory committee. They want to help promote businesses and help the Main Streets look better. He stated the need to have a joint Village/Town comprehensive plan and to have it updated in order to be able to apply for grants. He asked the Town Board to put some money aside to put towards grant applications for economic development purposes. Coxsackie has a \$100,000 grant for their waterfront where the state usually covers 75% of the costs.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to Approve Minutes

Councilman Dolan made a motion to accept the minutes as presented from the September 12th, 2019 Town Board Meeting, seconded by Councilman Burns.

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 4 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT 1 – SO MOVED

Department Reports

Town Clerk Report – August 2019 Report read by Town Clerk Rowzee

Motion to Accept Report

Councilman Baker made a motion to accept the report as read, seconded by Councilman Dolan.

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 4 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT 1 – SO MOVED

Police Department Report – August 2019 Report read by Officer in Charge Contento

Motion to Accept Report

Councilman Dolan made a motion to accept the report as read, seconded by Councilman Baker.

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 4 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT 1 – SO MOVED

Building Department Report – August 2019 Report read by Councilman Dolan

Motion to Accept Report

Councilman Burns made a motion to accept the reports as read, seconded by Councilman Baker.

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 4 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT 1 – SO MOVED

Sewer Department Report – August 2019 Report read by Councilman Dolan

Motion to Accept Report

Councilman Baker made a motion to accept the reports as read, seconded by Councilman Burns.

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 4 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT 1 – SO MOVED

New Business

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2020 Budget – Supervisor Crandall asked for a few motions that were necessary for the 2020 Budget.

Motion to Hold Special Meeting

Councilman Dolan made a motion to hold a Special Meeting on October 5, 2019 at 9am for the Town Clerk to present the 2020 Budget, seconded by Councilman Baker.

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 4 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT 1 – SO MOVED

Motion to Hold Special Budget Workshop

Councilman Dolan made a motion to hold a Special Budget Workshop Meeting on Friday, October 11, 2019 at 5pm, seconded by Councilman Baker.

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 4 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT 1 – SO MOVED

Motion to Authorize Town Clerk to Advertise Workshop

Councilman Baker made a motion to authorize the Town Clerk to advertise the Budget workshop, seconded by Councilman Burns.

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 4 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT 1 – SO MOVED

Resolutions

Resolution #115-19 – Budget Amendment – SRO & TSD for Police

On motion of Councilman Dolan, seconded by Councilman Burns, the following resolution was:

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 4 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT 1 – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, the Coeymans Police Department provided RCSCSD the services of an SRO officer and performed several Traffic Safety Details in 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Coeymans Police Department provided these services in advance of the receipt of monies from the County of Albany for these programs; and

WHEREAS, the original budget did not include the allocation for the above referenced programs or the provision for monies received from the County of Albany.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby authorize supervisor Philip A. Crandall to amend the 2019 budget as follows:

Expenditure

Increase (A) 3120.10 Police Personal Services \$24,251.28

Revenue

Increase (A) 1589 TSD (Albany County) \$1977.34

Increase (A) 1590 RCS SRO \$22273.94

Resolution #116-19 – Appoint Temporary PT Laborer - Sewer - Perry

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On motion of Councilman Burns, seconded by Councilman Baker for discussion, the following resolution was:

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 4 – NAYS – ABSENT – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, the Sewer Department is in need of a temporary part time laborer;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby appoint Nelson Perry to the position of Temporary Part-time laborer for a period beginning October 1, 2019 through November 30, 2019 at the rate of \$18.50 per hour, contingent upon Albany County Civil Service approval.

Councilman Baker asked why we were appointing him for such a short time. Supervisor Crandall asked Councilman Burns to explain. Councilman Burns stated that it was a Civil Service position and Mr. Perry could only work six months. At this point he was helping to put up a pole barn and that he was doing an excellent job and they would like him to finish. Supervisor Crandall stated that the move from Seasonal to Temporary needed to be done to fulfill Civil Service requirements.

Resolution #117-19 – Amend Sewer Budget – Village of Ravena Fee

On motion of Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman Burns for discussion, the following resolution was:

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 4 – NAYS – ABSENT 1 – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans has established Sewer Rates for 2019 on December 13, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the monthly rate adopted in Resolution #139-18 for the Village of Ravena usage was \$37,044.79; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Coeymans has had to credit the Village of Ravena in the past for overpayments; and

WHEREAS, this would alleviate the need for any and all future overpayments in 2019;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby reduce the monthly usage fee for the Village of Ravena to \$17,044.79, effective October 1, 2019.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 2019 budget be amended as follows:

Decrease Expenditures

SS8130.4 Contractual (Joint) \$60,000.00

Decrease Revenue

SS2374 Sewer Services-Other Governments \$60,000.00

Councilman Burns asked what the reason was for the decrease. Supervisor Crandall stated that on recommendation of the Account Clerk and Village Trustee Bailey they were reducing the

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amount to alleviate the need for a large end of year payment. Councilman Dolan stated that the Village was overpaying us and we would have a debt to them.

Resolution #118-19 – Amend Resolution #030-19 – BAR - Mantor

On motion of Councilman Burns, seconded by Councilman Baker, the following resolution was:
NOT APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 4 – NAYS – ABSENT 1 – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans has passed resolution #030-19 at the January 1, 2019 Organizational Meeting; and

WHEREAS, resolution #030-19 is in need of amending to reflect the correct two year term expiration date;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby amend resolution #030-19 to read as follows: Appoint Steve Mantor for the remainder of a (2) year term set to expire on September 30, 2020 due to the resignation of Board Member Mr. Angelo Rosato.

Resolution #119-19 – Amend Resolution #029-19 – BAR - Porlier

On motion of Councilman Burns, seconded by Councilman Baker, the following resolution was:
NOT APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 4 – NAYS – ABSENT 1 – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans has passed resolution #029-19 at the January 1, 2019 Organizational Meeting; and

WHEREAS, resolution #029-19 is in need of amending to reflect the correct five year term expiration date;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby amend resolution #029-19 to read as follows: Appoint Neil Porlier for a five year term set to expire on September 30, 2023.

Resolution #120-19 – Appoint Temporary PT Laborer - Kutchka

On motion of Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman Dolan for discussion, the following resolution was:

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 4 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT 1 – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, the Community Beautification Department is in need of a temporary part time laborer;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby appoint William Kutchka to the position of Temporary Part-time laborer for a period beginning October 1, 2019 through October 11, 2019 at the rate of \$15.00 per hour, contingent upon Albany County Civil Service approval.

Councilman Dolan stated that this was the same situation. Supervisor Crandall stated that the Parks and Maintenance Supervisor was trying to complete a project before winter.

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Resolution #121-19 – September Abstract of Claims

On motion of Councilman Dolan, seconded by Councilman Baker for discussion, the following resolution was:

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 4 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT 1 – SO MOVED

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board has approved the payment of bills as presented in the Abstract for September 2019, as follows:

PRE-PAID VOUCHERS –179238 – 179340 & 2019-071 - 2019-077 for a total of
\$ 770,227.25

VOUCHER NUMBERS –179341 – 179447 for a total of **\$ 82,332.33**

TOTAL FOR ALL FUNDS – \$ 852,559.58

Upcoming Meetings

Planning Board Meeting – October 7th at 7pm
Conservation Advisory Council – October 8th at 6pm
Town Board Meeting – October 10th at 7pm

Councilman Baker announced the Veteran’s Fall Festival was that coming Saturday and encouraged everyone to go.

Motion to Adjourn

On motion of Councilman Dolan, seconded by Councilman Baker, the Town Board Meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 4 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT 1 – SO MOVED

Time – 7:50pm

Respectfully Submitted,



Cindy L. Rowzee, Town Clerk