

MINUTES BOOKTOWN OF COEYMANS**
October 10, 2019 – Town Board Meeting – 7:00pm

A Town Board Meeting was held Thursday, October 10th, 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
James C. Youmans, Councilman

ALSO PRESENT: Cindy L. Rowzee, Town Clerk
Paul Pastore, Attorney to the Town

Audience (12) Media (1)

Supervisor Crandall opened the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance. He stated that there was a full board present. Councilman Dolan asked Councilman Burns to remember Frank Currey and his family in his prayer. Mr. Currey, a decorated World War II veteran had recently passed away and his wake and funeral services would be held in Ravena over the next couple of days. There was discussion about the medals that he had received for his service.

Presentations

Ravena Grange – Supervisor Crandall asked representatives from the Ravena Grange to come forward to receive the following proclamation which was signed by all Town Board members:

WHEREAS, the Ravena Grange #1457 is celebrating their 100th year of continued service to the community on October 20, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Grange provides members the opportunity to serve their community through projects and programs that make a difference in the lives of children, youth and neighbors in need of assistance; and

WHEREAS, the Ravena Grange in Coeymans Hollow has served this community since 1919;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans hereby proclaims that the Ravena Grange #1457 be recognized on this 20th day of October 2019 for their 100th year of service and the endless contributions made by the Grange throughout their many years of faithful service.

Public Announcements

Town Offices Closed – Supervisor Crandall announced that Town Offices would be closed on Monday, October 14th in honor of Columbus Day.

Supervisor Crandall then moved on to the public comment portion of the meeting.

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Public Comment

Ms. Mary Driscoll, of Coeymans, stood and spoke about her displeasure with political propaganda against a candidate and his family who only have the community at heart. She was upset that someone would suggest that they have been making back door deals with businesses in the Town.

Mr. Carver Laraway, a local business owner, stood and stated that he had built his business in this community. He felt that it was foolish that members of the Town Board would suggest that they helped to grow business in the area. Mr. Laraway stated that he had grown his businesses in the Town with no help from them. He mentioned their lack of support for the Tappan Zee trestles to remain and that some Town Board members had hindered having CTI come into Town.

Mr. William Biers, of Coeymans, stood and stated that Supervisor Crandall and Councilmen Dolan and Youmans had been no help to this community. He stated that they had shut him down and cost him a lot of money.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to Approve Minutes

Councilman Dolan made a motion to accept the minutes as presented from the September 26th, 2019 Town Board Meeting, seconded by Councilman Baker.

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 4 – NAYS 0 – ABSTAIN 1 (Youmans) - ABSENT – SO MOVED

Motion to Approve Minutes

Councilman Dolan made a motion to accept the minutes as presented from the October 5th, 2019 Special Town Board Meeting, seconded by Councilman Baker.

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

New Business

Laserfiche – Supervisor Crandall asked Town Clerk Rowzee to speak about the Laserfiche program. Town Clerk Rowzee described how the program would be used to scan in Town records to preserve them in case of natural disaster. She also stated that having the records scanned in would make them easier to use and search by topics. These are features that the current Docuware program does not have.

Councilman Baker asked what the cost would be to the Town.

Town Clerk Rowzee explained why she would like to go with the middle priced option of the three quotes she obtained. The Town already has a working relationship with General Code and they are a more local company than the other providers. With on-site training it would be \$7,130, which General Code felt would be better for us. With on-line training it would be \$6,680. The other two quotes were \$5,875 and \$7,375.

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Councilman Dolan asked what we have through General Code. Town Clerk Rowzee stated that they have our Town Code on-line and they update our code books. We also worked with them in the past to scan in all of our minutes which they are willing to move to the new system for free. Supervisor Crandall stated that this program would save time and man hours.

Motion to Authorize Purchase of Laserfiche

Councilman Dolan made a motion to authorize Supervisor Crandall to move forward with the purchase of Laserfiche program from General Code at a cost of \$7,130 for use with the Town records and minutes, seconded by Councilman Burns.

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

Resolutions

Resolution #122-19 – Ratification of Council 82 Union Contract

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

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT– SO MOVED

WHEREAS, the Town Board undertook negotiations with Council 82 to replace the collective bargaining agreement that expired December 31, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board authorized Supervisor Philip A. Crandall, and Deputy Supervisor Thomas Dolan to act on behalf of the management in the aforementioned negotiations; and

WHEREAS, the tentative agreement was recently ratified by a vote of the union’s membership;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby approve the tentative agreement reached for the 5 year term effective December 31, 2018 - December 31, 2023.

Resolution #123-19 – Marriage License Fee Waiver for Active Duty Military

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

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS – ABSENT – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo signed legislation (S.3756/A.55) waiving the state fee for marriage licenses for active duty members of the U.S. armed forces or their spouses; and

WHEREAS, the bill also gives local governments freedom to waive the fees they charge for marriage certificates for active duty service members or spouses;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby wish to waive the fees charged by the Town for marriage certificates for active duty service members or spouses.

Resolution #124-19 – Budget Transfer – Environmental Control/Leachate

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On motion of Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman Youmans, the following resolution was:

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 4 – NAYS 1 (Baker) – ABSENT – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, the Town of Coeymans has had unforeseen expenditures in the following accounts, resulting in the depletion of those accounts; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Fiscal Officer is desirous of transferring funds to these accounts; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby authorize Supervisor Philip A. Crandall to transfer the following funds as follows:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>From Account</u>	<u>To Account</u>
\$1000	(A)1990.4 Contingency	(A)8090.1 Environmental Control – Leachate Facility Personal Services
\$1800	(A)1990.4 Contingency	(A)8090.4 Environmental Control – Leachate Facility Contractual

Resolution #125-19 – Budget Transfers – Highway

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

NOT APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS – ABSENT – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, the Town of Coeymans Highway Department is in need of a new fuel management system; and

WHEREAS, the original Town of Coeymans 2019 Budget did not allow for the expenditure of the funds necessary for a new fuel management system; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Fiscal Officer is desirous of transferring the required funds to the appropriate account; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby authorize Supervisor Philip A. Crandall to transfer the following funds as follows:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>From Account</u>	<u>To Account</u>
\$24,670.00	(A) 1990.4 Contingency	(A) 5132.2 Highway Garage Equipment

Councilman Baker asked Councilman Dolan to explain what the fuel management system was. Councilman Dolan said it was a system to track the fuel used by the different departments. It would be a card activated system. He stated that this was at the recommendation of Highway Superintendent Searles.

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Upcoming Meetings

Special Budget Workshop – October 11th at 5pm
Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting – October 23rd at 7pm
Town Board Meeting – October 24th at 7pm

Motion to Adjourn

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

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

Time – 7:23pm

Respectfully Submitted,



Cindy L. Rowzee, Town Clerk