

MINUTES BOOKTOWN OF COEYMANS
January 1, 2020 – Organizational Meeting – 9:45am**

A Town Board Meeting was held Tuesday, January 1st, 2020 at 9:45am at Town Hall, 18 Russell Avenue, Ravena, New York

PRESENT: George D. McHugh, Supervisor
Daniel D. Baker, Councilman
Kenneth C. Burns, Councilman
Zachary S. Collins, Councilman
Brandon L. LeFevre, Councilman

ALSO PRESENT: Cindy L. Rowzee, Town Clerk
Scott Searles, Highway Superintendent
Daniel Contento, Officer in Charge
James Peluso, Attorney to the Town
John Cashin, Code Enforcement Officer

Supervisor McHugh opened the meeting and asked Bill Tryon to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. He stated that a full Board was present. He asked Town Clerk Rowzee to read the Notice of the meeting.

**NOTICE
TOWN OF COEYMANS
TOWN BOARD
2020 ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Organizational Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans has been scheduled for Tuesday, January 1, 2020, at 9:45am, to take place at Town Hall, 18 Russell Avenue, Ravena, NY. The meeting will be preceded by the swearing in of new Town Officials at 9:00am.

**Cindy L. Rowzee
Town Clerk
Town of Coeymans**

Resolutions

Resolution #001-20 – Establish Meeting Rules for Town Board Meetings

On motion of Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman LeFevre, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, the Town Board is desirous of establishing Meeting Rules for the respectful and proper conduct of the Town Board Meetings;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby adopt the proposed Town of Coeymans Meeting Rules dated January 1, 2020, which shall take effect immediately.

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TOWN OF COEYMANS MEETING RULES

- (1) Speakers must give their name and address during the Town Board Meeting and must address their remarks to the Board as a body and not to any member thereof.
- (2) Speakers must be recognized by the presiding officer and must limit their remarks to up to three minutes on a given topic and may not yield any remaining time to another speaker.
- (3) Any person speaking to the board with the consent of the Supervisor shall address their remarks to the Board, not to other members of the audience in the form of a debate.
- (4) Comments must relate to the current agenda item being discussed at the Board meeting or legitimate Town business during the Public Comment period.
- (5) Speakers should present their remarks in a courteous manner and may not make disparaging remarks or personal comments about public officials, town residents or others. All speakers will observe the commonly accepted rules of courtesy, decorum, dignity and good taste with no cursing, swearing, clapping, booing, finger pointing, bullying, whispering or talking that disrupts the proceedings of the business of the Town Board.
- (6) Any speaker who disregards the directives of the presiding officer in enforcing the rules, disturbs the peace at a meeting, makes impertinent or slanderous remarks or generally conducts themselves in an inappropriate manner shall be barred from further participation and will forfeit any balance of time remaining for their comments.
- (7) After a final warning, if a speaker willfully refuses to step down, the Town Supervisor shall contact the appropriate authorities to remove the speaker from the meeting room and to restore order.
- (8) The Town Supervisor, or in his absence, the Presiding Officer shall take all necessary steps to ensure compliance with these rules.

Councilman Baker added that a copy of the rules would be available in the rear of the room with the agenda for each meeting.

Supervisor McHugh stated that these meeting rules were pretty much the same as they had been he just didn't know if they were ever adopted by the entire Town Board and they felt that it was important that they adopt them.

Resolution #002-20 – Set 2020 Town Board Meetings

On motion of Councilman LeFevre, seconded by Supervisor McHugh, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board, of the Town of Coeymans, does hereby set the following dates for the Town Board Meetings for 2020. Please note that meetings will commence at 7:00pm.

January	9 th , 16 ^{th*} & 23 rd	July	9 ^{th*} & 23 rd
February	13 th , 20 ^{th*} & 27 th	August	13 ^{th*} & 27 th
March	12 th , 19 ^{th*} & 26 th	September	10 th , 17 ^{th*} & 24 th
April	9 th , 16 ^{th*} & 23 rd	October	8 th , 15 ^{th*} & 22 nd
May	14 th , 21 ^{st*} & 28 th	November	12 th , 19 ^{th*} & 23 rd
June	11 ^{th*} & 25 th	December	10 th , 17 ^{th*} & 21 st

* Denotes a Town Board Workshop Meeting

Supervisor McHugh stated that they had increased their meetings by one meeting a month by adding a workshop as the second meeting of the month.

Resolution #003-20 – Set 2020 Zoning Board Meetings

On motion of Supervisor McHugh, seconded by Councilman Collins, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby set the following dates for the Zoning Board of Appeals for 2020. Please note that the meetings will commence at 7:00 PM.

January 22 nd	July 22 nd
February 26 th	August 26 th
March 25 th	September 23 rd
April 22 nd	October 28 th
May 27 th	November 25 th
June 24 th	December 23 rd

*Fourth Wednesday of every month

Resolution #004-20 – Set 2020 Holiday Schedule

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby set the following holidays for 2020 for employees not covered by union contracts. Holiday schedules for covered employee are pursuant to active agreements in force.

January	1 st - New Year's Day
January	20 th - Martin Luther King Day
February	17 th - President's Day

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May	25 th - Memorial Day
July	4 th - Independence Day
September	7 th - Labor Day
October	12 th - Columbus Day
November	5 th - Election Day
November	13 th - Veterans Day (Observed)
November	26 th - Thanksgiving Day
November	27 th - Day after Thanksgiving
December	25 th - Christmas Day

Resolution #005-20 – Authorize Supervisor to Execute Union Agreements

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby authorize Supervisor George D. McHugh to execute all agreements between the Town of Coeymans and contractual employees, CSEA and Council 82.

Resolution #006-20– Designate Depository of Funds

On motion of Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman LeFevre, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans, pursuant to Town Law, Section 64 (1), 20 and 35, that The National Bank of Coxsackie, The Bank of Greene County or any other bank or depository authorized by the State of New York, be designated as the depository of all funds of the Town of Coeymans. In addition, the Town Board directs that all Town officials responsible for monies are hereby required to deposit said monies into said depository.

Resolution #007-20 – Adopt Investment Policy

On motion of Councilman LeFevre, seconded by Supervisor McHugh, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, the Town of Coeymans has previously adopted a “Model Investment Policy” supplied by the State Comptroller’s Office on April 29, 1996, and

WHEREAS, all towns must adopt an Investment Policy according to the State Comptroller’s Office and General Municipal Law, and

WHEREAS, that the “Investment Policy” shall be reviewed on an annual basis and shall be adopted at the Annual Organizational Meeting,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby adopt the Investment Policy for the year 2020.

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Resolution #008-20 – Authorize Prepayment of Claims

On motion of Supervisor McHugh, seconded by Councilman Collins, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby authorize the payment in advance of audit claims for public utility services, telephone, postage, freight and express charges, lease and maintenance agreements, and any other prepayments that would result in penalties against the Town of Coeymans. In addition, all payroll and employee benefits payable and due at specific times.

Resolution #009-20 – Designate Official Newspaper

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board, of the Town of Coeymans, pursuant to Section 64, Subdivision 11 of the Town Law, designates *The News Herald*, a newspaper regularly published in the Town of Coeymans, County of Albany, the official newspaper of the Town of Coeymans.

Resolution #010-20 – Establish Mileage Rate

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans, pursuant to Section 102, Subdivision 1 of the Town Law, establishes the rate of **58 cents** per mile for the authorized use of personal vehicles by Town employees in the performance of their duties based on the Internal Revenue Service rate for 2020.

Resolution #011-20 – Authorize Association of Towns Conference Pre-Registration

On motion of Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman LeFevre, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, the Association of Towns of New York has developed an in-office pre-registration procedure for the 2020 Annual Meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Association of Towns has offered a preferential pre-registration rate of \$150 per person; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans authorizes Supervisor George D. McHugh, Council members Zachary Collins and Brandon LeFevre to take advantage of the preferential pre-registration rate of \$150 per person;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that all elected officials specifically authorized by the Town Board may attend the Association of Towns Annual Meeting & Training School in

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New York City, February 16-19, 2020, and that the Town will reimburse them for meal expenses at a per diem rate of \$75.00 per day, plus hotel and travel expenses as needed.

Resolution #012-20 – Appoint Delegate and Alternate Delegate to Association of Towns

On motion of Councilman LeFevre, seconded by Supervisor McHugh, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby appoint Supervisor George D. McHugh as delegate and Councilman Zachary S. Collins as alternate for the Town of Coeymans at the Association of Towns Convention, February 16-19, 2020.

Resolution #013-20 – Appoint Administrator of Access

On motion of Supervisor McHugh, seconded by Councilman Collins, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans, does hereby have an agreement with Mid-Hudson Cablevision to provide public access programming directly from the Town Building located at 18 Russell Avenue, Ravena, New York.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby appoint William Horton as the Administrator of Access for the purpose of coordinating programming and overseeing individuals involved in the telecasting of approved programs, at a rate of \$50.00 per televised meeting.

Resolution #014-20 – Appoint Bingo Inspector

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

WHEREAS, the Town of Coeymans is in need of a Bingo Inspector to ensure that games being run in the town are in compliance with New York State regulations,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby appoint Edward J. Domanico as Bingo Inspector, at the rate of \$32.00 per session, with a term to expire December 31, 2020.

Resolution #015-20 – Appoint Civil Defense Director

On motion of Councilman Burns, seconded by Councilman Baker for discussion, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans, does hereby appoint William Bruno as the Civil Defense Director the for the Town of Coeymans for a term to expire on December 31, 2020. Compensation for this position is \$1,500.00 per year.

Resolution #016-20 – Appoint 1st Deputy Town Clerk

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On motion of Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman LeFevre, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, Bonnie Keyer, pursuant to Chapter 280 of the Laws of 2007, was appointed to the 1st Deputy Town Clerk position; and

WHEREAS, Town Clerk Cindy Rowzee is desirous that Bonnie Keyer continue in this position;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans hereby acknowledges the Town Clerk’s appointment of Bonnie Keyer as 1st Deputy Town Clerk. This appointment is for a term to expire on December 31, 2020.

Resolution #017-20 – Appoint Town Historian

On motion of Councilman LeFevre, seconded by Supervisor McHugh, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans, does hereby appoint Harry A. Sturges, Town Historian for the Town of Coeymans, for a term to expire on December 31, 2020. Compensation for this position is \$650.00 per year.

Resolution #018-20 – Appoint Attorney to the Town

On motion of Supervisor McHugh, seconded by Councilman Collins, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, the Town wishes to hire an attorney, pursuant to Town Law Section 20, to render legal advice to the Town Board through December 31, 2020;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that James Peluso, Esq., of Dreyer Boyajian, LLP, is hereby appointed as Attorney to the Town of Coeymans pursuant to Town Law, Section 20, effective immediately; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that for his services Attorney Peluso shall be paid the amount of \$32,960.00 yearly.

Resolution #019-20 – Appoint ZBA Chair

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans, does hereby reappoint Stephen Schmitt Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals for a one-year term to expire December 31, 2020.

Resolution #020-20 – Appoint Marriage Officer

On motion of Councilman Burns, seconded by Councilman Baker for discussion, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby appoint Virginia Pearson as Marriage Officer for the Town of Coeymans with the responsibilities as determined by Town Law. This appointment expires December 31, 2020.

Resolution #021-20 – Appoint Planning Board/ZBA Counsel

On motion of Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman LeFevre, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans is desirous of retaining attorney Andrew Brick, Esq.’s services as legal counsel to the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby appoint Andrew Brick, Esq. to serve as legal counsel to the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals for a yearly fee of \$12,000.00 contingent upon meeting attendance, payable by monthly voucher submission, expiring December 31, 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Mr. Brick be compensated at the rate of \$300 per hour (in addition to the monthly retainer) for any special projects which require extensive legal research communications or written opinions.

Resolution #022-20 – Authorize Supervisor to Appoint Confidential Secretary

On motion of Councilman LeFevre, seconded by Supervisor McHugh, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, the Supervisor is desirous of appointing a full time Confidential Secretary to the Supervisor in the Supervisor’s Office;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby authorize the Town Supervisor to appoint a full time Confidential Secretary to the Supervisor in the Supervisor’s Office, effective immediately.

Supervisor McHugh then stated that he was appointing Candace McHugh.

Resolution #023-20 – Authorize Supervisor to Appoint Clerk to the Supervisor

On motion of Supervisor McHugh, seconded by Councilman Collins, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, the Supervisor is desirous of appointing a full time Clerk to the Supervisor in the Supervisor’s Office;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby authorize the Supervisor to appoint a full time Clerk to the Supervisor in the Supervisor’s Office, effective immediately.

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Supervisor McHugh then stated that he was appointing Nita Chimelewski.

Resolution #024-20 – Appoint Emergency Management Committee

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

WHEREAS, the Town of Coeymans, Village of Ravena, Emergency Management Committee has an Emergency Management Plan to be implemented at the time of specific incidents of events which may result in severe or extensive damage, loss of property, casualties, deaths and/or disruption of the normal everyday routine of our specific geographic area; and

WHEREAS, the success of this plan depends on the cooperation and coordination of a number of individuals and organizations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following will be participating and contributing agencies: Coeymans Fire Company, Coeymans Hollow Fire Corporation, Town of Coeymans Police Department, Ravena Hose Company, Ravena Rescue Squad; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee shall consist of the following for a period ending December 31, 2020:

William Bruno, Chairman, Town of Coeymans
John Meyers, Corporal, Emergency Operations Director
Mark Deyo, Coeymans Fire Company #1
Steven Payne, Coeymans Hollow Volunteer Fire Corporation
Jeff D’Ambrosio, Ravena Hose Company
Brian Dunican Jr., Ravena Rescue Squad
Daniel Contento, Acting Police Chief, Town of Coeymans
Scott Searles, Highway Superintendent
George D. McHugh, Ad Hoc Member

Resolution #025-20 – Appoint Town Prosecutor

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby appoint Kenneth McGuire, Esq. to serve as Prosecutor for Town related matters for the 2020 calendar year, at an annual rate of \$14,000, payable by monthly voucher submissions, as follows:

\$5,500 per year – Traffic tickets issued by the Town of Coeymans Police Officers to the Town of Coeymans Court

\$5,500 per year – Traffic tickets issued by the New York State Police and the Albany Albany County Sheriff’s Department to the Town of Coeymans Court

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\$3,000 per year – Town Code/Penal Law trial matters

Resolution #026-20 – Appoint Ethics Committee

On motion of Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman LeFevre, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, the Town Board wishes to continue the work of the Ethics Committee,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans hereby appoints Linda T. Eissing, Fred H. Palmer, and Delores Martinez to the Ethics Committee with terms to expire December 31, 2020.

Resolution #027-20 – Authorize Undertaking

On motion of Councilman LeFevre, seconded by Supervisor McHugh, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, Public Officers Law Section 11 and Town Law Section 25 require that the Supervisor, Town Clerk, Justices, Superintendent of Highways and such other officers and employees as the Town Board may identify, execute and file in the office of the Town Clerk, County Clerk and/or the Office of Court Administration, as appropriate, an official undertaking conditioned for the faithful performance of their duties; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that a surety company authorized to transact business in the State of New York should execute the aforementioned undertaking and the expense thereof shall be an authorized charge against the Town;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans directs the acquisition of such undertaking pursuant to the above stipulations.

Resolution #028-20 – Authorize Code Enforcement Officer to Attend Conference

On motion of Supervisor McHugh, seconded by Councilman Collins, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, John Cashin, Code Enforcement Officer, has requested to attend training; and

WHEREAS, the Association of Towns is offering a Training School in New York City from February 16th-19th, 2020;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans authorizes payment for training registration for John Cashin in the amount of \$150 for the Training School in New York City from February 16th – 19th, 2020, and that the Town will reimburse him for meal expenses at a per diem rate of \$75.00 per day, plus train fare and travel expenses as needed.

Resolution #029-20 – Authorize Supervisor to Execute Ravena Rescue Squad Contract

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

WHEREAS, the Town is permitted by virtue of section 122-b of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York to provide emergency ambulance service for the purpose of treating and transporting sick and injured persons found within its boundaries to an acute care hospital; and

WHEREAS, the Town is desirous of entering into an agreement providing such ambulance service to the Town of Coeymans pursuant to said provisions of law; and

WHEREAS, the Ravena Rescue Squad has trained and experienced personnel and is certified by the NYS Department of Health as an ambulance service; and

WHEREAS, the Ravena Rescue Squad is desirous of furnishing emergency medical services to said Town under the terms and conditions set forth in the Emergency Medical Services Agreement 2020;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans hereby authorizes Supervisor George D. McHugh to execute said Emergency Medical Services Agreement 2020 this date January 1, 2020, not to exceed the budgeted amount of \$73,000.00.

Resolution #030-20 – Dissolve Conservation Advisory Council

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

WHEREAS, the terms of all members of the Coeymans Conservation Advisory Council have expired;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans, does hereby dissolve the Coeymans Conservation Advisory Council, effective immediately.

Resolution #031-20 – Appoint Budget Officer - McHugh

On motion of Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman LeFevre, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby appoint George D. McHugh as Town Budget Officer at an annual rate of \$7,500.00. This appointment is for a term to expire on December 31, 2020.

Resolution #032-20 – Appoint Dog Control Officer - Polverelli

On motion of Councilman LeFevre, seconded by Supervisor McHugh, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, the Town Board is desirous of appointing a Dog Control Officer for the Town of Coeymans;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby appoint Luciano Polverelli as Dog Control Officer for the Town of Coeymans, at an annual rate of \$5,000.00, effective immediately. This appointment is for a term to expire on December 31, 2020.

Resolution #033-20 – Amend Employee Handbook

On motion of Supervisor McHugh, seconded by Councilman Collins, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, Resolution Number 101-18 was passed by the Town Board on July 26, 2018, which amended the Health Insurance for Retired Employees section of the Town of Coeymans Employee Handbook, adding a sub-section entitled “Medical Insurance Buy-out for Retirees”;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans, does hereby rescinds Resolution 101-18 and remove the above-referenced sub-section from the Town of Coeymans Employee Handbook in its entirety, effective immediately.

There was discussion related to the above resolution where Supervisor McHugh stated that this section referred to medical insurance buyback for retirees, no changes were made to retiree medical insurance.

Resolution #034-20 – Authorize Supervisor to Execute PILOT Agreement

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

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF A CERTAIN PILOT AGREEMENT TO BE ENTERED INTO BETWEEN ALBANY COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND COEYMANS RECYCLING CENTER, LLC IN CONNECTION WITH THE COEYMANS RECYCLING CENTER, LLC PROJECT.

WHEREAS, in April, 2019, Coeymans Recycling Center, LLC, d/b/a Coeymans Industrial Park, a limited liability company organized under the State of New York (the “Company”), submitted an application (the “Application”) to Albany County Industrial Development Agency (the “Agency”), a copy of which Application is on file at the office of the Agency, which Application requested that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the “Project”) for the benefit of the Company, said Project consisting of the following: (A) (1) the acquisition of an interest in a parcel of real estate containing approximately 42,000 square feet of land located at Coeymans Industrial Park Lane in the Town of Coeymans, Albany County, New York (the “Land”), (2) the construction on the Land of (a) an approximately 28,000 square foot manufacturing facility and (b) an approximately 14,000 square foot office and training center (collectively, the “Facility”) and (3) the acquisition and installation thereon and therein of machinery and equipment (the “Equipment”) (the Land, the Facility and the Equipment being hereinafter collectively referred to as the “Project Facility”), all of the foregoing to constitute a commercial manufacturing, office and training facility to be owned by the Company and leased to a commercial user or users for such commercial purposes and any other directly and indirectly related activities; (B) the granting of certain “financial assistance” (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing,

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including potential exemptions from certain sales and use taxes, real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes and mortgage recording taxes (collectively, the “Financial Assistance”); and (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase) or sale of the Project Facility to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, in connection with the undertaking of the Project, the Company will execute and deliver a certain payment in lieu of tax agreement (the “PILOT Agreement”) by and between the Agency and the Company pursuant to which the Company will agree to pay certain payments in lieu of taxes with respect to the Project Facility; and

WHEREAS, the Agency desires that the Town, as an affected taxing jurisdiction under the PILOT Agreement, approve the terms and conditions to be formalized in the PILOT Agreement (the “PILOT Request”);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Board as follows:

Section 1. The Town hereby approves the PILOT Request, including but not limited to the payment terms to be contained in the PILOT Agreement which are substantially described in Schedule A attached hereto.

Section 2. The Town Supervisor of the Town (the “Supervisor”) is hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town, to consent to the terms of the PILOT Agreement as substantially described in Schedule A attached hereto, with such changes, variations, omissions and insertions as the Supervisor shall approve.

Section 3. The officers, employees and agents of the Town are hereby authorized and directed for and in the name and on behalf of the Town to do all acts and things required or provided for by the applicable provisions of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York in order to ensure compliance with such provisions as they relate to the execution and delivery of the PILOT Agreement, and to execute and deliver all such additional certificates, instruments and documents, and to do all such further acts and things as may be necessary or, in the opinion of the officer, employee or agent acting, desirable and proper to effect the purposes of the foregoing resolution.

Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

SCHEDULE A

- Five (5) year term with the following abatement schedule to be applied to Normal Taxes:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Abatement Percentage</u>
1	50%
2	40%
3	30%
4	20%
5	10%
6 and thereafter	0%

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In the discussion related to the above resolution Supervisor McHugh stated that this was started by the last Town Board but did not pass. This Town Board was now passing it so that it could move forward. It has previously passed at the County IDA and School District.

Councilman Baker asked for the record how long the agreement was. Supervisor McHugh stated that it was a 5 year PILOT and then read the abatement percentages from Schedule A.

Resolution #035-20 – Propose Local Law 1 of 2020

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

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN BOARD AS FOLLOWS:

The accompanying proposed Local Law No. 1 for the Year 2020 to abolish the Planning Board and transfer its functions to the Zoning Board of Appeals, which is to be known as the “Planning Board/Zoning Board of Appeals” and to increase its membership to seven (7) members is hereby introduced, and

The Town Board of the Town of Coeymans hereby declare itself Lead Agency pursuant the NYS Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) to review for potential adverse environmental impacts that may result from adoption of such proposed local law, and

A public hearing upon such proposed Local law shall be held on January 23rd, 2020, at 6:00pm at Coeymans Town Hall, 18 Russell Ave., Ravena, NY 12143, and

The Town Clerk shall publish notice of the Public Hearing upon the proposed Local Law with a summary thereof in the official newspaper at least five (5) days in advance of the Public Hearing.

There was discussion in which Supervisor McHugh summarized the proposed local law. The full text of the law appears below. He stated that by combining the Planning and Zoning Board it is much more efficient to only have to educate one board on your project and helps the process to run more smoothly.

PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF THE YEAR 2020

Purpose

The purpose and subject of this Local Law is to: 1) Abolish the Town Planning Board, 2) Transfer all Planning Board functions and duties to the existing Zoning Board of Appeals, 3) Rename the Zoning Board of Appeals to the ‘Planning Board/Zoning Board of Appeals’, and 4) Amend the Town of Coeymans Code where necessary to effectuate these changes.

Authority

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The Town Board of the Town of Coeymans as Legislative Body for the Town of Coeymans hereby enacts this Local Law pursuant to authority conferred by New York State Town Law Article 16, New York State Municipal Home Rule Law, and the New York State Constitution.

Legislative Intent

The intent of this Local Law is abolish the Planning Board and transfer its functions to the Zoning Board of Appeals which will result in a streamlined review process for applicants and promote economic development by providing a more efficient and coordinated land use review process within the Town of Coeymans. Coordination of land use review functions pursuant to this Local Law will maintain the highest standards of review and approval as required by applicable state and local laws and regulations which will continue to protect and enhance the Town of Coeymans, its citizens, its environment, and its economy.

THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF COEYMANS HEREBY PROPOSES LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF THE YEAR 2020 AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1

Chapter 34 of the Town of Coeymans Town Code is repealed and the Town of Coeymans Planning Board created pursuant thereto is hereby abolished except existing Code Section 34-9 shall survive and replace existing Code Section 165-13E(2) in its entirety.

SECTION 2

The Town of Coeymans Zoning Board of Appeals shall hereafter be known as the Town of Coeymans “Planning Board/Zoning Board of Appeals”. All references to either the Zoning Board of Appeals or Planning Board located within the Town of Coeymans Code shall be replaced with the term “Planning Board/Zoning Board of Appeals”.

SECTION 3

All functions, duties and authority of the former Planning Board, including but not limited to authority conferred by Town Code Chapter 136-Site Plan Review and Town Code Chapter 145-Subdivision of Land, the powers and duties conferred by new Section 165-13E(2) (former Section 34-9), and all applicable state and local regulations are hereby vested with the Planning Board/Zoning Board of Appeals.

SECTION 4

The membership of the existing Zoning Board of Appeals, now to be known as the Planning Board/Zoning Board of Appeals is hereby increased to Seven (7) members. The additional sixth member shall be appointed to serve for a term of six (6) years and the additional seventh member shall be appointed to serve a term of seven (7) years. All future appointments shall be for a term of seven (7) years. Existing Code Section 165-13A(1) shall be amended in accordance with this Section.

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SUPERCESSION

The Town of Coeymans hereby exercises its authority pursuant to New York State Municipal Home Rule Law to supersede any conflicting state or local laws contrary to this Local Law.

SEVERABILITY

If any portion of this Local Law or the application thereof shall be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remaining portions of this Local Law.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This Local Law shall become effective immediately upon filing with the NYS Secretary of State in conformity with NYS Municipal Home Rule Law.

Resolution #036-20 – Propose Local Law 2 of 2020

On motion of Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman LeFevre, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN BOARD AS FOLLOWS:

The accompanying proposed Local Law No. 2 for the Year 2020 to authorize the establishment of escrow accounts to be funded by applicants for professional services to review land use applications is hereby introduced, and

The Town Board of the Town of Coeymans hereby declare itself Lead Agency pursuant the NYS Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) to review for potential adverse environmental impacts that may result from adoption of such proposed local law, and

A public hearing upon such proposed Local law shall be held on January 23rd, 2020, at 6:00pm at Coeymans Town Hall, 18 Russell Ave., Ravena, NY 12143, and

The Town Clerk shall publish notice of the Public Hearing upon the proposed Local Law with a summary thereof in the official newspaper at least five (5) days in advance of the Public Hearing.

There was discussion in which Supervisor McHugh summarized the proposed local law. The full text of the law appears below. He stated that this updates the code to that of most municipalities. It requires applicants who apply for a major site plan or subdivision, something that will require professional services, such as engineering or legal advice, to pay for those services. He stated that he had been on the applicant end as an attorney and most businesses are more than happy to pay these fees to get their project underway.

LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF THE YEAR 2020

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Purpose

The purpose and subject of this Local Law is to amend the Town of Coeymans Code to authorize the establishment of an escrow account to be funded by an Applicant when the Planning Board/Zoning Board of Appeals determines that professional services are necessary to properly review a submitted application.

Authority

The Town Board of the Town of Coeymans as Legislative Body for the Town of Coeymans hereby enacts this Local Law pursuant to authority conferred by New York State Town Law Article 16, New York State Municipal Home Rule Law, and the New York State Constitution.

Legislative Intent

The intent of this Local Law is to require an applicant before the Planning Board/Zoning Board of Appeals to be responsible for professional costs incurred for the review of their application through the creation and funding of an escrow account.

THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF COEYMANS HEREBY PROPOSES LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF THE YEAR 2020 AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1

Chapter 165 of the Code of the Town of Coeymans is amended by adding a new Section 165-13(F) entitled: “Costs for Professional Review of Applications” which shall state as follows:

§165-13(F) Costs for Professional Review of Applications

1. If the Planning Board/Zoning Board of Appeals determines that professional review services are appropriate at the time of application or at any time during the approval process, the Planning Board/Zoning Board of Appeals shall request from a professional consultant retained by the Town Board an estimated fee for performing a review of the project submissions or other necessary services to properly review and consider an application. For the purpose of this section, professional review services shall be defined as, but not limited to, those services provided by engineers, lawyers, architects, designers, planners, surveyors, appraisers and related professionals.
2. The Planning Board/Zoning Board of Appeals shall require the applicant to deposit a cash amount equal to the estimated professional review costs into a Town established escrow account. This money will then be used to pay for professional review services performed during the review process.
3. Payment to the escrow account is a prerequisite to a complete application and no review will be initiated until full payment is received. In the event review costs exceed available escrowed funds, applicant will be required to submit additional funds to the escrow account. No final action will be taken upon an application until all incurred professional

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fees have been paid by the applicant. The Planning Board/Zoning Board of Appeals is authorized to suspend review of an application until such time that the professional review escrow fund is replenished to an amount equal to projected costs for professional review.

4. When review services are less than the amount in the escrow account, remaining funds shall be returned to the applicant within thirty (30) days of project approval.
5. The funds required by this section to enable proper professional review of applications do not include: any approvals or fees required from or by other agencies, professional review of any improvement district or district extension required by the proposed project, or any application fees otherwise required by the Town of Coeymans.

SECTION 2

Town of Coeymans Code Sections 145-6 (D), 145-6(E), 145-6(F), 145-6(G), and 145-6(H) are hereby deleted.

SUPERCESSION

The Town of Coeymans hereby exercises its authority pursuant to New York State Municipal Home Rule Law to supersede any conflicting state or local laws contrary to this Local Law.

SEVERABILITY

If any portion of this Local Law or the application thereof shall be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remaining portions of this Local Law.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This Local Law shall become effective immediately upon filing with the NYS Secretary of State in conformity with NYS Municipal Home Rule Law.

Resolution #037-20 – Budget Transfers

On motion of Councilman LeFevre, seconded by Supervisor McHugh, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, the Chief Fiscal Officer has determined that in order to maintain proper balances within various accounts in the General Fund (A), a number of inner fund transfers are necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Fiscal Officer is desirous of transferring funds between certain accounts within the General Fund (A) for Budget year 2020 as follows:

General Fund (A)

<u>Amount</u>	<u>From Account</u>	<u>To Account</u>
\$ 7,409.00	(A)1990.4 Contingency	(A)1220.1 Supervisor Personal Services

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\$ 17,680.20	(A)1310.1 Finance Personal Services	(A)1990.4 Contingency
\$ 15,250.00	(A)1410.1 Town Clerk Personal Services	(A)1990.4 Contingency
\$ 52.00	(A)1430.1 Human Resources Personal Serv.	(A)1990.4 Contingency
\$280,078.50	(A)3120.10 Law Enforcement Personal Serv.	(A)1990.4 Contingency
\$ 5,000.00	(A)1990.4 Contingency	(A)3510.1 Dog Control Personal Services
\$ 87.68	(A)1990.4 Contingency	(A)7110.4 Parks Contractual
\$ 31,098.95	(A)9030.8 Employee Benefits SS	(A)1990.4 Contingency
\$105,870.60	(A)8510.1 Community Beaut. Personal Serv.	(A)1990.4 Contingency
\$ 33,600.00	(A)3120.2 Law Enforcement Equip. & Cap.	(A)1990.4 Contingency

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby authorize Supervisor George D. McHugh to transfer the funds as depicted above for Budget year 2020.

Resolution #038-19 – Budget Amendment

On motion of Supervisor McHugh, seconded by Councilman Collins, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, the Chief Fiscal Officer has determined that in order to maintain proper accounting of the 2020 Budget, certain Budget Amendments are in order; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Fiscal Officer is desirous of Amending the Budget for year 2020 as follows:

Part Town Fund (B)

Decrease Expenditures

(B) 4020.1 – Registrar of Vital Statistics - \$2,000.00

Decrease Revenues

(B) 1120 – Sales Tax Revenues - \$2,000.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby authorize Supervisor George D. McHugh to amend the Budget for year 2020 as depicted above in this Resolution.

Resolution #039-20 – Accept Resignation of ZBA Member - Porlier

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

WHEREAS, Zoning Board of Appeals member Neil Porlier has submitted his resignation from the Zoning Board, effective January 1, 2020;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby accept the resignation of Neil Porlier form the Zoning Board of Appeals, effective immediately.

Resolution #040-20 – Public Hearing for CTI Grant

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

WHEREAS, Composite Technology & Infrastructure, LLC (CTI) has requested that the Town of Coeymans sponsor an application for pursuit of a New York State Community Development Block Grant (NYS CDBG) in the amount of \$750,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the NYS CDBG Application shall require no out of pocket costs or expenses from the Town of Coeymans; and

WHEREAS, if successful, an Administrative fee of approximately \$16,000.00 shall be received by the Town of Coeymans for administering this Grant application on behalf of CTI;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF COEYMANS AS FOLLOWS:

In furtherance of the accompanying proposed New York State Community Development Block Grant Application, a public hearing upon such proposed NYS CDBG Application shall be held on February 13th, 2020, at 6:30pm at Coeymans Town Hall, 18 Russell Ave., Ravena, NY 12143, and the Town Clerk shall publish notice of the Public Hearing with a summary thereof in the official newspaper at least five (5) days in advance of the Public Hearing.

In the discussion about the above resolution Supervisor McHugh stated CTI was a new business opening in February and that they were seeking a block grant and had asked that the Town sponsor it. CTI's grant writer would write the grant and if it is approved all the money would come through the Town and we would administer it. If the grant was awarded then the Town would receive a \$16,000 fee for administering the grant.

Councilman Burns asked if we would have any responsibilities. Supervisor McHugh stated that it would just be administering the money.

Resolution #041-20 – Set Employee Rates for 2020

On motion of Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman LeFevre, the following resolution was: APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, the Town Board has previously approved the 2020 Annual Budget for the Town of Coeymans, and

WHEREAS, the budget included appropriations for personal services for contractual and non-contractual employees,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans authorizes the following employees for 2020 in accordance with labor contracts in effect and budgeted amounts for positions outside the scope of negotiated contracts:

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Annual Pay Periods</u>	<u>Rate/Hourly/ Biweekly Salary</u>
G. McHugh	Supervisor	26	\$1,634.62 Biweekly
C. McHugh	Confidential Secretary	26	\$20.30
N. Chmielewski	Clerk to the Supervisor	26	\$26.84
L. Ziegler	HR Clerk 1 - P/T	26	\$18.10
D. Baker	Council Member	26	\$461.54
K. Burns	Council Member	26	\$461.54
Z. Collins	Council Member	26	\$461.54
B. LeFevre	Council Member	26	\$461.54
T. Frese	Justice	26	\$792.31
R. Persico	Justice	26	\$792.31
L. Eissing	Clerk to the Justice	26	\$27.67
H. Collins	Court Clerk	26	\$19.65
C. Rowzee	Town Clerk	26	\$1,923.08 Biweekly
B. Keyer	1 st Deputy Town Clerk	26	\$20.30
D. DeRose	Assessor	26	\$1,165.12 Biweekly
R. Sevilla	Assessment Aide – P/T	26	\$15.00
A. Dooley	Assessment Aide – P/T	26	\$14.25
K. Geraldson	Chief Sewer Treatment Plant Operator	26	\$26.49
Vacant	Sewer Treatment Plant Operator	26	\$23.34
T. Searles	Sewer Treatment Plant Operator - Trainee	26	\$19.99
N. Zinzow	Laborer	26	\$18.56
S. Searles	Highway Superintendent	26	\$2,230.77 Biweekly
T. Bennett	Equipment Operator II	26	Per CSEA
J. Chmielewski	Equipment Operator I	26	“ “
M. Coons	Equipment Operator I	26	“ “
V. Jurevis	Equipment Operator I	26	“ “
G. LaMountain	Equipment Operator I	26	“ “
D. Merrill	Equipment Operator I	26	“ “
L. Polverelli	Equipment Operator I	26	“ “
J. Rauf	Mechanic	26	“ “
S. Dwyer	Laborer	26	“ “
A. Demitraszek	Clerk I – P/T	26	\$18.10
D. Contento	Acting Chief of Police	26	\$37.55

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D. Braden	Sergeant – F/T	26	Per Council 82
J. Albert	Police Officer – F/T	26	“ “ “
J. Myers	Corporal – P/T	26	\$31.82
J. Dunn	Police Officer – P/T	26	“ “ “
K. Arnold	Police Officer – P/T	26	“ “ “
M. Case	Police Officer – P/T	26	“ “ “
M. Decker	Police Officer – P/T	26	“ “ “
R. Griffith	Police Officer – P/T	26	“ “ “
A. Hazelton	Police Officer – P/T	26	“ “ “
H. Klein	Police Officer – P/T	26	“ “ “
R. Loran	Police Officer – P/T	26	“ “ “
R. Matos	Police Officer – P/T	26	“ “ “
J. McCanney	Police Officer – P/T	26	“ “ “
S. Prokrym	Police Officer – P/T	26	“ “ “
K.Schwebke	Police Officer – P/T	26	“ “ “
E. Seney	Police Officer – P/T	26	“ “ “
R. Stark	Police Officer – P/T	26	“ “ “
G. Torres	Police Officer – P/T	26	“ “ “
N. Loomis	Police Officer – P/T	26	“ “ “
J. Weir	Police Officer – P/T	26	“ “ “
J. Bressette	Police Officer – P/T	26	“ “ “
I. Foard	Police Officer – P/T	26	“ “ “
J. Iovinelli	Police Officer – P/T	26	“ “ “
N. LaMountain	Court Officer – P/T	26	“ “ “
D. LaMountain	Clerk I – F/T	26	\$26.51
S. Gosse	Clerk I – P/T	26	\$15.55
E. Domanico	Bingo Inspector – P/T	26	\$32.00 per session
J. Cashin	Building Inspector & Code Enforcement Officer	26	\$23.80
S. DeBacco	Asst. Building Inspector – P/T	26	\$21.56
C. Anderson	Clerk I – F/T	26	\$22.30
L. Polverelli	Dog Control Officer	26	\$192.31
W. Bruno	Civil Defense Director	12	\$125.00
H. Sturges	Town Historian	12	\$54.17
D. Burns	Recreation Leader – P/T	Seasonal	\$15.55
M. Babcock	Recreation Leader – P/T	Seasonal	\$15.55
S. Schmitt	Zoning Board Chairman	12	\$130.00 per meeting
D. Harris	Zoning Board Member	12	\$80.00 per meeting
B. Hopkins	Zoning Board Member	12	\$80.00 per meeting

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Vacant	Zoning Board Member	12	\$80.00 per meeting
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L. Ziegler	Zoning Board Recording Secretary	12	\$100 per meeting/ workshop

Additional Comments

Councilman Burns stated that he was happy with the new board and that it would take time to get used to the changes. He stated that he is looking forward to working with the Village. He thanked everyone on the Board, the building inspector, Scott Searles, and Town Clerk Rowzee.

Councilman Baker stated that he had gone campaigning with the new board and that they wanted to change the dialogue and atmosphere. He asked if there were any comments.

Ms. Mary Driscoll said good for you. Ms. Barbara Tanner asked if they could ask questions and was told that they could.

Councilman Baker then thanked Councilmen Collins and Lefevre and Supervisor McHugh. He stated that there was lots of change coming and that we need to be patient.

Village Trustee Muller thanked the Town Board for the invitation to attend the meeting.

Councilman LeFevre thanked everyone for coming and stated that he appreciated their support. He stated that he and Councilman Collins were new and had a lot of ideas and wanted to encourage the community's ideas. He asked for the support and input of the Town.

Councilman Collins thanked everyone for coming and stated they were voted in because they will work hard. He stated that he had a lot to learn but was not afraid to ask questions. He asked that people let him know if they felt he was going in the wrong direction.

Supervisor McHugh echoed what everyone else had said. He stated that they would need the town's support in order to make the changes they had mentioned during their campaign. He mentioned wanting to partner with local businesses to help them succeed. He stated how he wanted to work with the Village, the School Board, local legislators and the County to benefit the Town. He mentioned some of the things he and the other councilmen had done prior to taking office that day. He mentioned a workshop that was scheduled with the Village Board for January 13th. He stated that we would have a working product of an updated Comprehensive Master Plan by April 1st. This was something started by the previous Town Board and that it would be important for moving forward. He stated that we needed to work together as a community in order to get things done.

Councilman Collins stated that they ran on change and change is not comfortable but complacency is worse.

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Public Comment

Supervisor McHugh then opened the floor for public comment.

Ms. Barbara Tanner asked for clarification regarding a comment made about the Police Department. Supervisor McHugh was able to answer her question by stating that the Coeymans Police were not being disbanded or going away.

Mr. William Stewart stated that he had just moved here in July and that they had heard a lot of things before they moved here but none of it is true. He stated that we have so much here, it is economic dynamite. With the areas we have zoned commercial, agricultural, residential and with the train we can expand the Town without changing its fabric.

Ms. Mary Driscoll thanked them for bringing the Town back to the residents and thanked them for speaking up for those in back.

Motion to Adjourn

On motion of Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman Burns, the Town Board Meeting was adjourned. APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT – SO MOVED

Time – 11:02am

Respectfully Submitted,



Cindy L. Rowzee, Town Clerk