

LUMBERLAND TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 10 2017

The Lumberland Town Board held a Regular Monthly Meeting on Wednesday, May 10, 2017, at 7 p.m., at the Town Hall in Glen Spey, N.Y. Supervisor Jenny Mellan opened the Meeting at 7 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call was administered to those members present:

Supervisor Jenny Mellan
Councilman/Deputy Supervisor Leigh Sherman
Councilman Joseph Carr
Councilman James Akt
Councilwoman Zoriana Gingold

Also present were Town Clerk Virginia Horn, Deputy Town Clerk Michele Myslinski, Chief Constable Patrick Cahill, Constable Robert Maas, Code Enforcement Officer David Sparling, Historian Frank Schwarz, Rose Carr, Caroline Akt, Fire Dept. President Ann Steimle, Bookkeeper Jeanne Mulcahey, Mike Rajesz, Helga Rupnick, Attorney for the Town Danielle Jose-Decker, Janice & Vinny Torretta, Steven Kostmacher, Amy Schwartz from the Kadampa Meditation Center, Highway Superintendent Don Hunt, Jr., Dave Hulse from the River Reporter and Bo Zakamarck.

MINUTES

Councilman Carr made a motion to accept the Workshop Meeting Minutes of April 5 1, 2017 and the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 12, 2017 as written, seconded by Councilwoman Gingold, all in favor, so carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Monthly Reports:
 - a. Supervisor
 - b. Highway Superintendent
 - b. Town Clerk
 - c. Buildings
 - d. Constables
 - e. Fire Dept.
2. Planning Board Mtg. Minutes –March & Site Plan Resolution – Camp Glen Spey
3. NYS Ag & Markets Shelter Report
4. Grant Writer Updates
5. NYS Historian letter
6. Delaware Highlands Conservancy 2016 Annual Report
7. SC Division of Planning & Environmental Management – notification of continuing Education completion
8. UDC Newsletter & UDC notifications
9. Social Security proposal
10. SC Legislature Authorization =Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Reimbursement Program

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11. ZBA Mtg. Minutes – Sept.
12. SC Legislature notification – approved tonnage for Spring Cleanups
13. O&R Utilities Notification –Street Lighting Options
14. Elementary School Request – Emergency Access to Town Building
15. Cultural Series Concert Update (Late File)
16. NYMIR notification –Hgwy Employees Seminar Completion (Late File)
17. NYS Ag & Markets Shelter Update Report (Late File)

Supervisor Mellan reported that on 3/27 NYS Ag & Markets sent us an unsatisfactory Shelter Report for the Humane Society. Supervisor Mellan noted we received several Grant Writer Updates and we were notified that several of our Planning & ZBA members completed continuing education credits. Supervisor Mellan reported our annual Spring Cleanup Day will be May 20th and passes are available in the Town Clerk's Office,

Supervisor Mellan reported that Item #13 was notification that O&R Utilities were offering to replace our burnt out street light bulbs and offer us a program to do a replacement of 2% each year of the other street lights. Frank Schwarz questioned if they gave any size of the savings? Supervisor Mellan noted the savings by changing the bulbs to LEDs, noting this will be at no cost to the town.

Supervisor Mellan reported the Elementary School requested access to our town offices and a computer during an emergency, noting that the Town Board discussed this at their Workshop Meeting last week and it was agreed that we could give them a key to the Town Hall and access to our wifi password with them using their own computer. Supervisor Mellan state she will contact them to see if they would agree to the decision.

Supervisor Mellan reported they had 2 late file pieces of correspondence, noting one was for notification that several of the highway employees completed a safety seminar and the other was an update from NYS Ag & Markets that they have now deemed our Humane Society shelter in satisfactory condition.

Councilman Carr made a motion to accept Correspondence #1 through #17, seconded by Councilwoman Gingold, all in favor, so carried.

PRE-FILED RESOLUTIONS

- #81 – PTA Use of Ball Field –Walk-a-thon (approved at Workshop Mtg.)
- #82 - Museum Sideboard Table Restoration Approval
- #83 - Court Clerk Training Request
- #84 - O&R Agreement Approval –Street Lighting bulb replacement
- #85 - Town Computer Server Warranty Renewal Approval

The Board members TABLED Resolution #82.

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Dave Hulse questioned why was the Town involved with the street lighting bulb replacement? Supervisor Mellan verified that the Town pays for the electricity for the street lights. Supervisor Mellan requested that Resolution #85 note that it is a DELL warrantee. Supervisor Mellan reported the Chief Constable is working with Camp Simcha regarding their bike-s-thons.

Supervisor Mellan reported that a couple of months ago the School District Superintendent sent correspondence that the School was willing to donate White Boards to the Town, noting they have also offered to install the software and provide training on the boards. Supervisor Mellan stated the Planning Board is interested in one of the boards to use for presentations, noting if we accept these boards we would have to decide where to install them. Frank Schwarz noted that we already have a power screen that will be put up in the Town Hall. Supervisor Mellan stated you can write on the White Boards. Supervisor Mellan noted that the Youth Program could also use it. The Board discussed where in the Town Hall it could be installed and it was agreed that the outside wall would be the best place for one. Frank Schwarz noted the power screen would be used on the wall nearest the kitchen. Councilman Sherman made a motion to accept the donation from the school for the White Boards, Seconded by Councilwoman Gingold, all in favor, so carried.

Supervisor Mellan reported the Town Board had a discussion at the Workshop Meeting about the Records Room roof replacement, noting we have advertised for it on our website but nobody has responded to requests for a quote. The Board members requested the Town Clerk submit for quotes to the Sullivan County Democrat and the River Reporter which she gave the Board members. Councilman Sherman made a motion to publish the ad for quotes in the River Reporter for one time and for two times in the Sullivan County Democrat, seconded by Councilman Carr, all in favor, so carried. The Board agreed to put a June 1st deadline on receiving the quotes so they would be available for the next Town Board Workshop Meeting.

Supervisor Mellan reported the Board members discussed at their Workshop Meeting the upcoming shared services initiatives that Governor Cuomo has put into his budget, noting there will be a meeting on this at that the Government Center in Monticello on May 16th at 6:30 p.m. Supervisor Mellan stated that the towns and cities must come up with additional shared services above what they are already been doing. Supervisor Mellan noted that they will have to vote on what shared services recommendations will be agreed upon and put in writing why they voted the way they did, noting the main objective is to help the taxpayers by lowering the cost of services.

ABSTRACTS

Councilman Sherman made a motion to approve Audit and Approval of General Fund & Highway #4, 2017, General Fund Prepaid Claims in the amount of \$ 12,871.18, General Fund Claims G17-#190 through #231, in the amount of \$ 21,388.78, Highway Fund Prepaid Claims in the amount of \$ 13,486.47, and Highway Fund Claims #H17-#225

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through #268 in the amount of \$ 29,721.82, with a total of Abstract #5, 2017 of \$77,468.25, seconded by Councilman Carr, all in favor so carried.

Proclamations

New Business

REPORTS OF BOARD MEMBERS

Councilman Akt reported there was no Planning Board meeting this month.

Councilman Sherman reported there has been no Cemetery Committee meeting. Councilman Sherman reported the Senior Center floor has been refinished and has the approval of the Senior Club President, Sheila Hocker. Councilman Sherman reported he is still working on the replacement of the Records Room roof replacement and that the maintenance man has been cleaning the outside of the buildings for Memorial Day. Supervisor Mellan questioned if the flags got put up? The Deputy Town Clerk verified they were up and Supervisor Mellan thanked the Highway Superintendent for getting the flags up on the flagpole. Supervisor Mellan reported she received notification that the town received a grant for \$775.00 for the River Corridor Cleanup.

Councilwoman Gingold reported Little League who had their opening day the same day as the Meditation Center's event weekend.

Councilman Carr reported the Fire Dept. Auxiliary will have a Tricky Tray on June 3rd.

Supervisor Mellan thanked Kadampa for working with the Little League when they had their opening day the same day as the Kadampa weekend event.

The Attorney for the Town noted she will be attending the shared services meeting in Monticello.

The Deputy Town Clerk reported they have been giving out spring cleanup day passes and will be in the office the morning of May 20th for anyone who needs one at the last minute. The Town Clerk reported they are busy.

Cultural Series Director, Frank Schwarz, reported the Concert went very good, noting the town will be given a tape of the performance.

Historian Frank Schwarz reported he attended a meeting of the local branch of historians on April 29th in Highland, noting they discussed having local people do metal detecting on town properties. Schwarz reported that anything found should be donated back to the town it was found in. Schwarz noted he would like to attend the State conference for historians next year. Schwarz reported there will be a lecture and exhibit in the Town Hall on June 17th at 11 a.m. to coincide with the Path To History celebration.

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Grant Writer Frank Schwarz stated if anyone has any questions about grants they can call him, noting he is filing the final paperwork for the TAG Grant.

Historian Frank Schwarz reported there will be a Memorial Day Service at the Town Hall on the 29th at 10 a.m. and encouraged all the local officials to attend.

The Chief Constable noted the Constabulary Monthly activity.

Code Enforcement Officer, David Sparling, reported they have been busy, noting there are a lot of commercial projects and a couple of houses going in. Sparling reported the town generators were inspected last week. Sparling stated that in the future they may have to come up with a new building for records storing. Supervisor Mellan stated they have been discussing scanning documents which will cut down the need for storage space. The Town Clerk stated the buildings maps would need to be copied by a company that has the capabilities but the regular documents can be scanned in house. Grant Writer, Frank Schwarz, reported he is looking into a grant to help pay for a records scanning project. Councilman Akt stated that since the school district is looking into leasing buses they shouldn't need the bus garage which is a town building and that could be used for records storing? Supervisor Mellan noted that even if the school leases the buses they will still need the bus garage. The Town Clerk noted that any building that is used for records storage needs to be climate controlled.

The Highway Superintendent reported they are busy grading roads, cutting trees and ditching.

Fire Dept. President, Ann Steimle, reported they have done 124 calls so far this year.

OPEN FLOOR TO PUBLIC

Ann Steimle questioned if we still had UDC representatives? Supervisor Mellan reported Councilman Sherman is our main representative with Councilwoman Gingold as the secondary. Steimle questioned if there were any updates on the river or the bridges? Councilman Sherman reported that everything is behind schedule. Steimle questioned if there was anything new with the kayak landings being looked at in Callicoon and Pond Eddy? Councilman Sherman reported there is one member who is really hot about putting heights on the new bridges.

Ann Steimle reported while she was in the State of Florida Easter weekend she got to see Charlie Fallon and he is doing well.

Supervisor Mellan thanked the ambulance crew for responding to her father-in-law's. Steimle reported that during a recent helicopter landing at the ball field it was during Little League practice but it was worked out where the kids were safely out of the way.

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Amy Schwartz from the Kadampa Meditation Center reported they have moved their Fan Fare event from June 3rd to July 1st. Frank Schwarz questioned if the Center still had their dinners? Schwartz reported they will be having a Mother's Day breakfast this coming Sunday at 9:30 a.m. and they will have their next dinner on July 14th.

Supervisor Mellan noted the Special Announcements. Frank Schwarz stated he did not know why the Path To History Lecture & Exhibit that is being held at the Town Hall on June 17th was not on the Agenda.

The Highway Superintendent noted that with the paving on Forestburgh Road his trucks are being held up in traffic. Janice Torretta noted that they have flashing signs, not flashing lights.

Councilwoman Gingold made a motion to adjourn at 7:46 p.m., seconded by Councilman Carr, all in favor, so carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Virginia V. Horn, Town Clerk