

TOWN OF WASHINGTON
February 11, 2016
TOWN BOARD MEETING

The Town Board of the Town of Washington held their Regular Meeting on Monday, January 4, 2016 at the Town of Washington Town Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Supervisor Gary Ciferri with the following present: Councilmen Stephen Turletes, Robert Audia, Al De Bonis and Michael Murphy, Highway Superintendent Joseph Spagnola, Highway employee Michael Llanes, Recreation Commission President Kerri Weller and Recreation Board member Molly Sager and Attorney for the Town Jeffrey Battistoni.

County Legislator Sandra Washburn and resident Howard Schuman were also present.

Supervisor Ciferri opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. A Moment of Silence was asked for in remembrance of former Town Supervisor Ted Briggs.

Supervisor Ciferri advised the Board that a special meeting has been scheduled for February 26, 2016, at the Town of Washington Town Hall, 10:00 AM, to discuss the culvert/bridge replacements on Stanford Rd. and Oak Summit Rd.

On a motion made by Councilman Turletes and seconded by Councilman Murphy, the Board authorized Town Clerk Alex to publicize the Recreation Director position. All ayes were recorded.

The following resolution was offered by Councilman Turletes and seconded by Councilman De Bonis:

Parkinson's Awareness Month Proclamation

WHEREAS, Parkinson's disease is a progressive neurological movement disorder of the central nervous system, which has a unique impact on each patient; and

WHEREAS, according to the Parkinson's Action Network, the Parkinson's Disease Foundation, the American Parkinson's Disease Association and the National Institute of health, there are over one million Americans diagnosed with Parkinson's disease; and

WHEREAS, symptoms include slowness, tremor, difficulty with balance and speaking, rigidity, cognitive and memory problems; and

WHEREAS, although medicines and new therapies may enhance life for some time for people with Parkinson's, more work is needed for a cure; and

WHEREAS, increased education and research are needed to help find more effective treatments with fewer side effects and ultimately a cure for Parkinson's disease; and

WHEREAS, a multidisciplinary approach to Parkinson's disease care includes local wellness, support and caregiver groups; and

WHEREAS, April has been proclaimed as World Wide Parkinson's Awareness Month for all to recognize the need for more research and help in dealing with the devastating effects of Parkinson's disease.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gary Ciferri, Supervisor of the Town of Washington, do hereby proclaim April as Parkinson's Awareness Month in the Town of Washington.

The vote was as follows:

Supervisor Ciferri:	Aye
Councilman Turletes:	Aye
Councilman Audia:	Aye
Councilman De Bonis:	Aye
Councilman Murphy:	Aye

County Legislator Sandra Washburn appeared before the Board to provide an update on Dutchess County. Over the next two months, there will be a review of the new jail proposal. Information is available online for the residents to review.

Legislator Washburn has been appointed to the following committees: Family & Human Services, Environment, Cornell Cooperative Extension and the Dutchess County Youth Bureau.

On a motion made by Councilman Turletes and seconded by Councilman De Bonis the following reappointments were made:

- Molly Sager – Recreation
- Donald Fegan – Board of Assessment Review
- James Shequine – Planning Board
- Anthony De Bonis – Animal Control Officer

The vote was as follows:

Supervisor Ciferri:	Aye
Councilman Turletes:	Aye
Councilman Audia:	Aye
Councilman De Bonis:	Aye
Councilman Murphy:	Aye

On the recommendation of Highway Superintendent Spagnola, a motion was offered by Councilman Turletes and seconded by Councilman De Bonis the Board appointed Michael Llanes as Deputy Highway Superintendent.

The vote was as follows:

Supervisor Ciferri:	Aye
Councilman Turletes:	Aye
Councilman Audia:	Aye
Councilman De Bonis:	Aye
Councilman Murphy:	Aye

Bookkeeper Sukow provided the Town Board with the most recent revenue and expense reports, and had the bank statements available for review. The Board was presented with the start of

2015 budget transfers. On a motion made by Councilman Audia and seconded by Councilman De Bonis the following transfers were accepted as presented:

TRANSFER FROM	TRANSFER TO	AMOUNT	
A.1010.0100	A.1010.1400	94.31	Town Board Expenses
A.1010.0100	A.1010.0800	185.03	
AA.1110.0100	A.1110.0111	200	Justice Court
A.1110.0402	A.1110.0400	103.84	
A.A.1110.0800	A.1110.0400	147.14	
A.1110.0100	A.1110.0400	1015.91	-599.11
	A.1110.0401		Justice Grant - 3660.00
A.1220.0100	A.1220.0110	0.1	Supervisor's Expenses
A.1220.0110	A.1220.0110	17,130.40	
A.1355.0111	A.1355.0100	0.1	Assessor
A.1355.0410	A.1355.0110	98.84	
A.1355.0200	A.1355.0400	750	
A.1355.0410	A.1355.0401	82	
A.1355.0410	A.1355.0400	1196.16	
A.1355.0111	A.1355.0400	1.4	
A.1355.0800	A.1355.0400	47.08	-1655.43
A.1410.0200	A.1410.0110	856.94	Town Clerk
A.1410.0111	A.1460.0100	500	Records Management
A.1460.0400	A.1460..0800	92.97	
A.1620.0200	A.1620.0400	1,787.76	Building Town hall
A.1620.0200	A.1620..0100	196.91	
A.1620.0200	A.1620.0800	11.3	
		24498.19	Total 2/11/16

The vote was as follows:

Supervisor Ciferri:	Aye
Councilman Turletes:	Aye
Councilman Audia:	Aye
Councilman De Bonis:	Aye
Councilman Murphy:	Aye

Ms. Sukow advised the Board that W-2's have been sent to all employees. There has been a question raised regarding benefits for part time per diem employees. The Board requested a copy of the handbook so they can review the policy and provide guidance. The Board suggested that Ms. Sukow and Mrs. Alex prepare a manual of all the duties that have to be completed in their departments.

Ms. Sukow provided the Board with information regarding Transfer Station billing from 2013-14 because the bills were never sent to the users. There is approximately \$4,000.00 in unbilled revenue due to the town. The Board requested a letter be drafted and sent with the bills for collection.

Highway Superintendent Spagnola notified the Board that the salt order for 2017 is being coordinated by Dutchess County. At this time, the town is in good shape. There is a small culvert on Verbank Road that is in need of repair. The town crew will make the repair in the spring.

Councilman Turletes provided the recreation report. Summer camp will be extended by one week this year. The commission is seeking the use of the Millbrook School Athletic Fields in order to expand the soccer and lacrosse programs. The Commission is developing a Code of Conduct for participants and adults involved in all programs. The updated bylaws will be submitted to the Town Board in March. March 12th is the Senior Luncheon at the Millbrook Fire House. All seniors are invited and the Town Board is encouraged to attend.

Councilman Audia reported on buildings and grounds. Lou Spagnola will be making recommendations for repairs to the town pool water pumping system. He will pass the information on to Warren. He is also examining the piping system in the basement and will make suggestions for improvements. The Town is still waiting to hear from Dutchess County Planning regarding the status of the CDBG for enhanced accessibility at the Town Hall.

Councilman De Bonis provided information on Zoning Board activities. The Public hearing has been closed on the Dutchess Day School application. The application is to create two small additions to the upper gym for a music program and a small garage is to be rebuilt at the lower campus. The Planning Board is awaiting comments from Dutchess County Planning. The Public hearing for Route 82 Sand & Gravel is also closed and awaiting Dutchess County Planning comments. The application is for a mine permit modification allowing the company to mine deeper than the previously permitted limits. Mr. Schuman on behalf of the CAC asked for screening but the Public hearing is closed. It was suggested that they go directly to Route 82 Sand & Gravel and discuss it with them. The Van Beuren/Kass Wetlands and Watercourse Special Permit was discussed. It was suggested that they or their representatives go to a workshop meeting to work out the concerns. MCM Equine Partners LLC has purchased 109 North Mabbettsville Road and they have submitted an application for a Special Permit to build and operate an equine veterinary practice. Both a neg dec and a wetland special permit have been approved. Owners of property at 290 Hammond Hill Road discussed a possible lot line adjustment because of property encroachments and overlapping deeds. They need ZBA approval on both.

On a motion made by Councilman Turletes and seconded by Councilman De Bonis the following claims were accepted as presented:

General Fund A	\$34,429.72
General Fund B	\$733.06
Highway Fund DB	\$35,805.88
Fund TA	\$1,830.64
TOTAL	\$72,799.30

The vote was as follows:

Supervisor Ciferri:	Aye
Councilman Turletes:	Aye
Councilman Audia:	Aye
Councilman De Bonis:	Aye
Councilman Murphy:	Aye

There being no other business, on a motion made by Councilman Turletes and seconded by Councilman Audia, the meeting was closed at 9:30 PM.

The vote was as follows:

Supervisor Ciferri:	Aye
Councilman Turletes:	Aye
Councilman Audia:	Aye
Councilman De Bonis:	Aye
Councilman Murphy:	Aye

Mary Alex, Town Clerk