

MINUTES BOOKTOWN OF COEYMANS
January 12, 2015 – Town Board Meeting – 7:00pm**

A Town Board Meeting was held Monday, January 12, 2015, at 7:00pm at Town Hall, 18 Russell Avenue, Ravena, New York

PRESENT: Stephen D. Flach, Supervisor
Thomas E Dolan, Councilman
Peter E. Masti, Councilman
Kenneth A. Burns, Councilman
George E. Langdon, IV, Councilman

ALSO PRESENT: Diane L. Millious, Town Clerk
P.J. McKenna, Chief of Police
Scott Searles, Highway Superintendent

Supervisor Flach opened the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPENING COMMENT

Supervisor Flach stated that the record should reflect the presence of a full Town Board.

AGENDA

- Presentation
 - Dana Pickett, Veridian Energy
- Public Announcements
 - Town Offices Closed, January 19, 2015, Martin Luther King Day
 - Meeting Cancelled, Town Board Workshop, February 17, 2015
- Public Comment
- Approval of Minutes
 - Special Town Board Meeting, November 19, 2014
- Old Business
 - Hannacroix Creek Restoration Project
- Resolutions
 - Accept Resignation of Highway Laborer
 - Amend Resolution, Town Board Meetings
 - Amend Abstract, June 2014
 - Amend Abstract, September 2014
 - Amend Abstract, November 2014
 - Appoint Part-Time Police Officer
- Workshops/Meetings
 - Town Board Workshop, January 20, 2015, 6:00pm
 - Town Board Meeting, January 26, 2015, 7:00pm
 - Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting, January 28, 2015

PRESENTATION

Veridian Energy

Supervisor Flach stated that Dana Pickett was present to give a presentation for Veridian.

Mr. Pickett thanked the Town Board for their time and continued by saying that he is an independent of Veridian Associate and he is there to talk about his idea of how he can help the Town Board, who has been given fiduciary responsibility for the finances of the Town of Coeymans. He added that he is there to be a partner and to help them lower their electric expenses and he is proposing a letter, which he had written to all of them giving them a proposal

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that listed rates and in the rate that he listed for electric, Veridian is now offering a three-year fixed rate that would allow them to budget their electric expenses for three years, which is pretty sweet and they need to do it because without that they are subject to Central Hudson with utility bills that fluctuate up and down month to month based on the Spot Market, which is how they do it in New York State and it is all they are allowed to do. He continued by saying that Veridian has an alternative energy supplier and is able to go out and buy three years' worth of energy and what they are offering to the Town of Coeymans this month, by the end of the month is 9.29 cents per kilowatt hours and he did a study about the kind of usage that the Town has and he believes he can get them the rate until the end of January. He went on by saying that it could fluctuate in February or it might stay the same, he does not know because it depends on how the market fluctuates. He added that this time last year they were all crying the blues, they paid their electric bills and it was 19-20 cents or more per kilowatt hours based upon the polar vortex and then there was a very mild summer so the rates were pretty low across the board so it evened out. He continued by saying that what he would like to propose to them is to get a three year fixed rate so they don't have the ups and downs, making it easier for them to budget and another benefit of going with Veridian Energy is that they would be able to feel good about the fact that New York State mandates that at least 24% of all energy that's brought into the state, has to be from renewable energy sources. He added that the leadership of Veridian Energy feels as though that is not enough so they have made a pledge 50% above the State's mandate, so for January it has risen 25% above the State mandate and now Veridian provides 75% of electricity that you are going to use, derived from renewable energy sources and it's a feel good. He went on saying that in addition to this, he has taken a look at the usage of the Town and the land, he is from here, his whole school life was here and grew up on Saw Mill Road off of Route 143 and there is plenty of land here, they could put up some kind of solar farm, which he is looking into and he is trying to work with their partners to see if they can come up with some kind of solution to lower electricity expenses even more. He continued by saying that if he is able to do this, it would be no money from the Town, no money upfront and no money out of their budget or cost of the maintenance of the solar panels over a 20 year period and for 20 years they would have the opportunity to lease the solar farm, whether they do it on buildings or a plot of land, and it would lower their expenses even more. He concluded by saying that this makes a lot of fiscal sense, they can only tax residents just so much and at some point they have to cut costs, which means services and no one wants to cut services because it is very unpopular and they should try to lower their electric expenses by going with what he is proposing, a three year fixed rate at 9.29 cents and then thanked them for their time.

Councilman Burns asked how much area is needed for a solar farm.

Mr. Pickett stated that based on the usage he has seen for the Town, it would not have to be that much and they just finished negotiations and it has been accepted that for all of Greene County they are about to put in a 20 acre solar farm and each year it will reduce the expense by \$140,000.00 to \$150,000.00 over 20 years and they also have the Town of New Baltimore and just the other day they said it was a common sense decision and there is no reason why they shouldn't do it and locked into the rate as well through a colleague, who was also a State Assemblyman in Dutchess County. He added that as a professional investor, which is what he does full-time and what he does for a living, and he make investments and it is investments for his clients that make sense, he invests in assets that are going to give a good return and when he thinks about the Town of Coeymans, it is a good asset to invest in and he thinks that it is wise to consider not cutting expenses in services but rather look at cutting expenses for their electricity. He continued by saying that the first step is signing on with Veridian, their utility will still be Central Hudson and anytime they have a need they still go to their utility, there is no change there and based on deregulation, it is mandated that customers are allowed to choose their electric supplier so this is nothing new, it has been going on for years but most people don't know about it, such as himself and was introduced to it this past year. He went on by saying when they are considering Veridian, they are considering lowering their electric expenses, it is good for the environment because it is green energy and it just makes sense for them as a Town Board with fiscal responsibility to keep their costs lower. He then asked if there were any other questions.

Councilman Langdon stated that he mentioned a high of 19 cents for last year and then asked if he knows what the actual low was last year.

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Mr. Pickett stated that he doesn't, he wasn't able to get their bills from September, which is usually a good time and his guess from other areas around, it would have probably been somewhere down around 8 cents per kilowatt so 9.29 is a pretty good rate considered over a three-year period.

Councilman Langdon asked if Veridian offers municipalities the three-year 100% value.

Mr. Pickett stated that if it was a large commercial need of 75,000 kilowatts being used a month they would have to come up with a more designer rate and they would have to figure out when they were peaking and what months but because the Town is significantly under that, they are considered small commercial so he is able to give them a fixed three-year rate, just like he would a small business.

Highway Superintendent Searles asked if he had spoken to the Village.

Mr. Pickett stated that he hadn't.

Highway Superintendent Searles stated that he had heard that they were thinking about doing it behind the bowling alley.

Councilman Langdon stated that they are talking about two separate things and someone had come in and talked about something very similar.

Highway Superintendent Searles stated that the Village was talking about putting solar panels behind the bowling alley.

Councilman Burns stated that maybe he could come up with a better deal than the Village is being offered and there is 12 acres of usable property in which the Village wanted 6 acres and wanted the Town to take the other 6 acres.

Mr. Pickett stated that they would be able to do an install whereby they could do what is called remote net metering, which would allow them to share, it would be a one company install and maintainer and the two entities would actually share and it is something for them to consider. He added that he can make a proposal for it and the first steps would be a commitment to Veridian as the electric supplier and the next step would be to come up with a proposal and he would a letter of authorization from the Town to present to their solar partners and in turn they would do what they need to do to come up with a proposal, which he would come back with.

Supervisor Flach stated that they have until the end of the month to decide.

Mr. Pickett stated that it is usually based on a monthly rate.

Supervisor Flach stated that they have a Workshop in a week and another Town Board Meeting at the end of the month and he is sure that they can come up with a decision by then.

Councilman Masti asked if they are talking about just one side of the 12 acres or if it would be 6 acres here with the Village and maybe something at Jarvis Road because he would like to see the landfill site used for something and it could power the Leachate Plant if nothing else.

Mr. Pickett asked what other townships are out that way and maybe they could think of another entity so they could utilize that land as well.

Supervisor Flach stated that they first thing that they need to decide, and it does not need to be decided now, is whether or not they want to turn it over to Veridian and lock in a rate.

Mr. Pickett stated that the Town's attorney is aware of what is going on and a copy of the letter was sent to him and the rate then was 9.49 cents and it is now 9.29 cents.

Councilman Masti asked for a copy of all the information so he can take a look at it.

Mr. Pickett stated that Veridian is very competitive with Central Hudson and he would encourage them to do it and then thanked the Town Board for their time.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Town Offices Closed

Supervisor Flach stated that the Town Offices will be closed on January 19, 2015 for Martin Luther King Day

Meeting Cancelled

Supervisor Flach stated that the Town Board Workshop scheduled for February 17th has been cancelled due to the Association of Towns Annual Meeting

PUBLIC COMMENT

Supervisor Flach invited the public to comment at this time.

Mr. Dave Flach asked what the percentage of the solar applies to a bill.

Mr. Pickett stated that it is hard to say but if a solar farm is installed, the solar energy that is created would be purchased through the solar company that did the install so it is significantly less than the going rate for the utilities and in fact it will be even less than Veridian is offering. He added that the reason why is because it is not being bought in the open market and you are deriving your own energy so you are the supplier and deliverer in your own back yard and it is the same thing if it is on your home.

Mr. Flach asked what the percentage is that someone would save on the overall bill.

Mr. Pickett stated that it will fluctuate significantly depending on how many panels there are and there are too many variables for him to say a percent.

Councilman Langdon stated that right now the 20 year leases that they are now selling, people are buying the power by the kilowatt and paying for the lease and then asked if he knows what the going rate is on an installed system right now that they are locking the price in at.

Mr. Pickett stated that it depends on the size of the system and it is why he can't give him a number.

Councilman Masti stated that as an example, he just went with another company and basically they are telling him that the energy he generates, he buys back from them and then they rate it, which he thinks is 3 cents less than what he pays Central Hudson and then anything that he generates above and beyond, he sells back to Central Hudson at approximately 6 cents. He added that mostly what you pay for on an electric bill is the delivery charge, which is more than the generating charge.

Mr. Flach asked who pays for the solar panels and materials.

Councilman Masti stated that Solar City put the panels up, they maintain them and wire in your computer and added that they have only been up for two months and he hasn't had any problems yet.

Councilman Langdon stated that you pay for having the panels there by paying for kilowatt so you are basically renting the system by kilowatt.

Mr. Flach asked if he would have to lay out any money for panels.

Councilman Masti stated that you don't.

Mr. Pickett, Dana's dad stated that he had a system installed on December 31st and he was really impressed with the quality of workmanship and the way that they did it and his system isn't turned on yet but it will be next week. He added that on his past bill he already saved \$100.00

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with Veridian from his last bill with Central Hudson and he locked in at 8.9% and when his system gets turned on, every month will be \$76.00.

Councilman Masti stated that he hasn't gotten his first bill and it was put on the first week in December. He added that he climbed on a ladder and watched them and any question that he had, they answered.

Mr. Flach asked if you have to reinforce your roof.

Councilman Masti stated that you don't, the panels are ultra-light and added that once they are installed, you then get clearance from Central Hudson and turn it on.

Supervisor Flach asked if there were any other comments, hearing none he moved to the next item on the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Supervisor Flach stated that there was one set of minutes for Town Board approval, a Special Town Board Meeting on November 19th and then asked for a motion to approve them.

MOTION

On motion of Councilman Burns, seconded by Supervisor Flach, the Town Board minutes were approved as presented and read.

VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

OLD BUSINESS

Hannacroix Creek Project

Supervisor Flach stated that the design for the project needs to be finished by F.X. Browne if they continue to move on and the reason that they haven't moved on is because they already have bills from them and can't afford to pay more. He added that Mr. Ostrander at F.E.M.A. is working on getting them money ahead of time right now and money is coming for engineering and an archaeological study and is supposed to be on the way, which he is not sure if it is in part or whole. He continued by saying that they have \$274,000.00 set aside for the Town but the engineering alone is approximately \$110,000.00 if they were to finish through F.X. Browne.

Councilman Masti asked if it is for the changes or if it is their total bill.

Supervisor Flach stated that it is his understanding that it is what's left for the total.

Councilman Dolan interjected that Councilman Masti was asking if the engineering costs is \$110,000.00.

Councilman Masti stated that he knows that is what's been done but now Army Corp of Engineers said they have to do something with the lower part of the creek and he thought it was the only thing that they had get adjusted.

Councilman Burns stated that he thinks it is the extra \$10,000.00.

Councilman Masti asked if it is another \$10,000.00 for that.

Councilman Burns stated that it is.

Supervisor Flach stated that it leaves them, and they talked a little bit about it, approximately \$164,000.00, which is not enough because their lowest bid was \$320,000.00. He continued by

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saying that he thinks at this point they need to see what is coming from F.E.M.A. and take it from there.

Councilman Masti stated that possibly Albany County Soil can come up with the same thing and not charge them quite so much.

Supervisor Flach stated that they might be able to do a plan for them.

Councilman Masti interjected that they could do that and also see if they can do some of the work themselves.

Supervisor Flach asked if there were any other comments.

Councilman Dolan stated that if he is hearing it correctly, it would cost \$10,000.00 for the engineering for the lower part and whether they spend that \$10,000.00 or not, they would have either \$174,000.00 or \$184,000.00 to do the project.

Councilman Masti stated that the lowest bid to do the project was \$323,000.00.

Councilman Dolan stated that his understanding from talking to Lisa Cirillo is that they need to make a decision on this soon.

Supervisor Flach stated that Councilman Burns has been talking with Albany County Soil and Water and he would like to see where it goes before they spend more money.

Councilman Burns interjected that they were offended that the Town went to an engineering company to do this because everyone pays tax dollars and they come up with solutions by working with En Con and Army Corp of Engineers and have done projects all over the area with the flooding that happened and it didn't cost anything for the design, which they came up with. He added that when he spoke to them and showed them what F.X. Browne came up with, they asked why the Town would spend that kind of money when they could have done it for the Town for nothing and a lot of the things that F.X. Browne did was wrong so F.X. Browne had to change them to make Army Corps happy, so in essence they had to pay for that because they made the mistakes.

Councilman Langdon asked if they paid for the changes.

Councilman Burns stated that they did and added that he spoke with Albany County Soil and asked what the Town should do and they said that they will come up with a plan for the Town. He continued by saying that his hope was that they get enough money from F.E.M.A. to pay off what they already owe F.X. Browne and then at least they will have a blue print plan to work from and then Albany County Soil can come up with a plan and solution that hopefully they can afford.

Supervisor Flach stated that at this point they are waiting for Mr. Ostrander to come back to the Town on additional funding.

Councilman Langdon asked what kind of a deadline they were looking at.

Supervisor Flach stated that the project was extended until September.

Councilman Burns stated that when they were out working with the kids to remove brush, there was a letter at that time but he didn't get it until a month ago, suggesting to actually take out all of the material that was built up over the years in the feeder stream, which could have been done already with no permits.

Councilman Dolan asked who the letter was from.

Councilman Burns stated that it was from the Water and Soil people.

Councilman Dolan stated that he doesn't believe it is really up to them whether they can do it or not.

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Councilman Langdon stated that feeder streams are not under the jurisdiction of some of the State Agencies.

Councilman Burns stated that he asked if they started doing it now and were approached by En Con or Army Corps of Engineers, if they would stand behind their letter and they said absolutely. He added that it is up to the entire Board but his idea is that they should go in and do what Albany County Soil said they can do and do it the way that they said to do it and when they get closer to the main stream, contact DEC and Army Corp of Engineers. He continued by saying that they can then ask Albany County Soil if they can come up with a better plan that they can afford without taking up any more time to actually get it done.

Councilman Masti suggested that they speak with Albany County Soil within the week.

Councilman Burns stated that there is a meeting in Hudson Falls.

Councilman Masti stated that there is a person that he met last year at the Annual Association of Town's Meeting who sits everyone down at a round table and they discuss this type thing and this is what they need to do because that way they can get answers from the people that they are dealing with and in facing each other they can find out who is telling the truth or lying.

Supervisor Flach asked if there were any other comments, hearing none he moved to the next item on the agenda.

RESOLUTIONS

RES. #031-15 ACCEPT LETTER OF RESIGNATION

On motion of Councilman Masti, seconded by Supervisor Flach, the following resolution was APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

WHEREAS, Jeffrey A. Hoose has submitted his letter of resignation as laborer in the Town of Coeymans Highway Department,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the resignation of Jeffrey A. Hoose as laborer be accepted effective January 15, 2015.

To Whom It May Concern,

Please accept my letter of resignation from the Town of Coeymans in the position as a laborer. My last day of employment will be January 14, 2105.

Thank you so very much for seven and a half excellent years of employment within the Town of Coeymans. I have worked alongside some excellent colleagues and have had so many opportunities to grow and develop.

I will never forget my time at the Town of Coeymans and working for the community in which I live. Please let me know if you need any assistance with the transition.

All the best,

Jeffrey A. Hoose

Supervisor Flach stated that Mr. Hoose has been hired by the Albany County Sheriff's Department and he was also a part-time Police Officer for the Coeymans Police Department. He added that he was a good worker and has been a great employee, his peers and his bosses would agree that he was an excellent employee and they will miss him in that capacity.

RES. #032-15 AMEND TOWN BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE RESOLUTION

On motion of Councilman Langdon, seconded by Councilman Masti, the following resolution was APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

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WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans held its Organizational Meeting and adopted a resolution to establish Town Board Meeting dates, and

WHEREAS, the resolution must be amended to reflect the correct meeting date for September 8, 2015, which should be September 14, 2015.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby set the following dates for Town Board Meetings for 2015. Please note that Town Board meetings start at 7:00pm

January	05	June	22
January	12	July	27
January	26	August	24
February	09	September	14
February	23	September	28
March	09	October	13**
March	23	October	26
April	13	November	09
April	27	November	23
May	11	December	14
May	27*	December	28

* Moved to Wednesday for Grievance Day

**Moved to Tuesday for Columbus Day

RES. #033-15 AMEND AND APPROVE JUNE 2014 ABSTRACT

On motion of Supervisor Flach, seconded by Councilman Langdon, the following resolution was APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board, of the Town of Coeymans, does hereby approve and hereby amend the June, 2014 as follows and indicated in red.

FUND	VOUCHER #	AMOUNT
GENERAL (A)		
General Pre-Pay	1149-1206	\$293,627.52
General	1249-1297, 1339, 1350	\$ 31,479.42
	General Total	\$325,106.94
POLICE FORFEITURE (A)		
Police Forfeiture Pre-Pay	1207	\$ 637.50
	Police Forf. Total	\$ 637.50
POLICE FORF. LOCAL (A)		
Police Forf. Local Pre-Pay	1208	\$ 637.50
	Police Forf. Local Total	\$ 637.50
PART-TOWN (B)		
Part-Town Pre-Pay	1209-1221	\$ 13,638.57
Part-Town	1298-1301	\$ 3,055.53
	Part Town Total	\$ 16,694.10
HIGHWAY (D)		
Highway Pre-Pay	1222-1229	\$ 52,192.93
Highway	1302-1327	\$ 25,483.08
	Highway Total	\$ 77,676.01

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SEWER (SS)		
Sewer Pre-Pay	1230-1242	\$ 15,964.07
Sewer	1328-1338, 1340-1348	\$ 6,951.85
	Sewer Total	\$ 22,915.92
CAPITAL PROJ. (H)-41		
Capital Projects	1349	\$ 2,000.00
	Capital Proj. Total	\$ 2,000.00
	Total for all Funds	\$445,667.97
TRUST & AGENCY (TA)		
Trust & Agency Pre-Pay	1243-1248	\$254,298.95
	Trust & Agcy. Total	\$254,298.95

Supervisor Flach asked Town Clerk Millious if she had anything to add.

Town Clerk Millious stated that after the abstract was passed in June it was brought to her attention that there had to be changes made and there was a voucher in the Sewer Fund that had to be moved to the General Fund because it related to leachate, which is general. She added that it didn't change the total for all funds it changed the Sewer and General voucher numbers and totals.

RES. #034-15 AMEND AND APPROVE SEPTEMBER 2014 ABSTRACT

On motion of Supervisor Flach, seconded by Councilman Dolan, the following resolution was APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board, of the Town of Coeymans, does hereby approve and allow the following claims of vouchers for the September 2014, Abstract.

ACCOUNT	VOUCHER #	AMOUNT
GENERAL (A)		
General Pre-Pay	1751-1799, 2150	\$189,051.19
General	1858-1897	\$ 35,826.89
	General Total	\$224,683.98
POLICE FORFEITURE (A)		
Police Forfeiture Pre-Pay	1800-1802	\$ 4,099.28
	Police Forf. Total	\$ 4,099.28
POLICE FORTEITURE LOCAL		
Pol. Forf. Local Pre-Pay	1803-1804	\$ 5,000.00
	Police Forf. Local	\$ 5,000.00
POLICE FORFEITURE FEDERAL		
Police Forf. Federal Pre-Pay	1805	\$ 1,020.00
	Police Forf. Federal	\$ 1,020.00
PART TOWN (B)		
Part Town Pre-Pay	1806-1819	\$421,522.99

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Part Town	1898	\$ 22.44
	Part Town Total	\$421,545.43
HIGHWAY (D)		
Highway Pre-Pay	1820-1830	\$ 56,721.05
Highway	1899-1921	\$ 4,706.91
	Highway Total	\$ 61,427.46
SEWER (SS)		
Sewer Pre-Pay	1831-1849	\$ 21,002.17
Sewer	1922-1943	\$ 13,476.74
	Sewer Total	\$ 34,478.91
CAPITAL PROJECT (H30)		
Capital Project	1944	\$ 3,700.00
	Capital Proj. Total	\$ 3,700.00
CAPITAL PROJECT (H42)		
Capital Project	1945-1950	\$ 8,870.24
	Capital Proj. Total	\$ 8,870.24
	Total For All Funds	\$764,819.40
TRUST & AGENCY PAYPAL (TA)		
Trust & Agency Paypal Pre-Pay	1850	\$ 319.92
	Trust & Agency Paypal	\$ 319.92
TRUST & AGENCY (TA)		
Trust & Agcy. Pre-Pay	1851-1857	\$248,667.95
	Trust & Agcy. Total	\$248,667.95

Town Clerk Millious stated that the vendor was Quill and a voucher was stuck to another in the amount of \$192.10, it wasn't numbered or added in.

RES. #035-15 AMEND AND APPROVE NOVEMBER 2014 ABSTRACT

On motion of Supervisor Flach, seconded by Councilman Masti, the following resolution was APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board, of the Town of Coeymans, does hereby approve and amend the November, 2014 as follows and indicated in red.

	VOUCHER #	AMOUNT
GENERAL (A)		
General Pre-Pay	2151-2183	\$ 213,271.41
General	2227-2259,2279,2311	\$ 37,375.93
	General Total	\$ 250,647.34
POLICE FORFEITURE (A)		
Police Forfeiture Pre-Pay	2184	\$ 130.41
	Police Forfeit. Total	\$ 130.41

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POLICE FORFEITURE FEDERAL (A)		
Police Forfeiture Federal PP	2185	\$ 4,406.19
	Police Forfeit. Fed Total	\$ 4,406.19
PART-TOWN (B)		
Part-Town Pre-Pay	2186 - 2193	\$ 385,480.33
Part-Town	2260	\$ 317.81
	Part Town Total	\$ 385,798.14
HIGHWAY (D)		
Highway Pre-Pay	2194 - 2199	\$ 44,932.07
Highway	2261 – 2278,2280-2281,2310	\$ 191,365.28
	Highway Total	\$ 236,297.35
SEWER (SS)		
Sewer Pre-Pay	2200 - 2216	\$ 35,865.20
Sewer	2282 – 2305,2312	\$ 18,877.79
	Sewer Total	\$ 54,742.99
SPECIAL WATER (SW)		
Special Water Pre-Pay	2217	\$ 83,075.96
	Special Water Total	\$ 83,075.96
CAPITAL PROJ. (H30)		
Capital Projects	2306	\$ 7,558.10
	Capital Proj. (H30)Total	\$ 7,558.10
CAPITAL PROJ. (H42)		
Capital Projects	2307 - 2308	\$ 17,030.00
	Capital Proj. (H42) Total	\$ 17,030.00
	Total For All Funds	\$1,039,676.48
TRUST & AGENCY PAYPAL (TA)		
Trust & Agency PayPal PP	2218	\$195.00
	Trust & Agcy. PayPal Total	\$195.00
TRUST & AGENCY (TA)		
Trust & Agency Pre-Pay	2219 - 2226	\$311,067.59
	Trust & Agcy. Total	\$311,067.59

Town Clerk Millious stated that it was because a voucher was paid out of Highway and should have been paid from General, which didn't change the total for all funds but changed the General and Highway totals and voucher numbers.

RES. #033-15 APPOINT PART-TIME POLICE OFFICER

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

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WHEREAS, the Chief of Police is desirous of hiring part-time Police Officers who are certified, and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has conducted a search for available part-time Police Officers and interviews have been conducted,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby appoint Marie Abraham to the position of part-time Police Officer effective January 26, 2015 pending a successful background check, one-year probation and Albany County Civil Service approval. Part-time Police Officer Abraham will be compensated at a rate of \$18.13 per hour as designated in the current Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Councilman Masti asked Chief McKenna where she is currently working.

Chief McKenna stated that she is currently a Supervisor with University Heights Security and comes highly qualified not only as a young lady with an advanced degree and several years of service but is also a part-time Police Officer in Mechanicville. He added that he had the good fortune of doing the initial interview and was impressed with her background, resume, people skills and desire to work. He continued by saying that she if full-time with University during the day and her desire is to stay in law enforcement and work nights, off shifts, weekends and A-lines, which is really motivating for him. He went on by saying that she met with Sergeants Contento and Johnson who both conducted separate interviews and they all came to the resolution together that she would be a great fit for the department and comes at a very opportune time as they just lost Officer Hoose and it is a great fill for them since there won't be extended training necessary because she has time and experience and can jump right in.

Councilman Masti stated that it will probably take a couple of weeks to get a feel for the Town for her to get up and running.

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS/MEETINGS

- Town Board Workshop, January 20, 2015, 6:00pm
- Town Board Meeting, January 26, 2015, 7:00pm
- Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting, January 28, 2015, 7:00pm

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Supervisor Flach asked if there were any additional comments.

Town Clerk Millious stated that she wanted to wish Jeff Hoose well; he helped her a lot with the cemeteries when they needed to do a burial or measuring and was great to work with. She continued by saying that tax bills are out and anyone not receiving theirs or have any questions can contact her office at 756-2100 and for any exemptions that need to be done they must contact the Assessor's Office at 756-8927 or the Building Department at 756-2850 because the Clerk for Building also works for the Assessor.

Supervisor Flach asked if there were any other comments.

Chief McKenna stated that for the month of December the Police Department had just under 900 calls for service resulting in 75 vehicle related incidents and a dozen arrests. He added that he wants to thank the Board for their continued support to move forward with growing the Police Department with qualified individuals. He continued by saying that on Thursday, four of the Police Officers going to be qualifying for taser training and any Board Member that would like to observe is more than welcome to stop by from 4:00 to 8:00pm.

Supervisor Flach asked if there were any other comments.

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Highway Superintendent Searles stated that he wanted to wish Jeff Hoose good luck in his new endeavor, he will be greatly missed in his department and all around town and added that he would like permission to post the job in-house, which has to be done first.

Supervisor Flach stated that he would offer a motion.

MOTION

On motion of Supervisor Flach, seconded by Councilman Masti, authorizing the Highway Superintendent to post the vacancy in-house.

VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

Town Clerk Millious stated that sometimes they say in-house and add if it is not filled in-house that she is authorized to post in the paper.

Supervisor Flach stated that they will hold off on the other part and then asked if there were any other comments

Councilman Dolan wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Supervisor Flach asked if there were any other comments.

Councilman Burns wished everyone a Happy New Year and added that everyone is doing a fantastic job.

Supervisor Flach asked if there were any other comments.

Councilman Langdon wished everyone a Happy New Year and added that he looks forward to what they can accomplish this year.

Supervisor Flach asked if there were any other comments.

Councilman Masti stated that hopefully the Hannacroix Creek Project can get wrapped up so he doesn't have to keep asking about it.

Councilman Burns stated that it is going to happen.

Supervisor Flach wished everyone a Happy New Year and added that he hopes everyone has a great year. He then offered a motion to adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

On motion of Supervisor Flach, seconded by Councilman Masti, the Town Board Meeting was adjourned.

VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

Time – 7:50pm

Respectfully Submitted,

APPROVED – As Read March 9, 2015


Diane L. Millious, Town Clerk