

**MINUTES BOOK\*\*TOWN OF COEYMANS**  
**October 12, 2017 – Town Board Meeting – 7:00pm**

**A Town Board Meeting was held Thursday, October 12, 2017 at 7:00pm at Town Hall, 18 Russell Avenue, Ravena, New York**

**PRESENT:** Philip Crandall, Supervisor  
Thomas E. Dolan, Councilman  
Kenneth C. Burns, Councilman  
George E. Langdon, Councilman  
James C. Youmans, Councilman

**ALSO PRESENT:** Diane L. Millious, Town Clerk  
Paul Pastore, Attorney to the Town  
Scott Searles, Highway Superintendent

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

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**OPENING COMMENT**

Supervisor Crandall stated that the record should reflect the presence of a full Town Board also attending were Town Clerk Millious, Attorney to the Town Pastore, and Highway Superintendent Searles.

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**AGENDA**

- Presentations
- Public Announcements
- Public Comment
- Approval of Minutes
  - Town Board Meeting, September 28, 2017
  - Special Town Board Meeting, October 5, 2017
  - Bid –Opening Gazebo Roof, October 12, 2017
- Department Reports
  - Police Department Report
- Old Business
  - Photo Contest
  - 2018 Budget
  - Gazebo Roof
- New Business
  - Resignation of Police Officers
- Resolutions
  - Amend Public Hearing Date for Sewer District Extension
- Upcoming Workshops/Meetings
  - Budget Workshop – October14, 2017 – 8:00AM
  - Town Board Workshop – October 19, 2017 – 6PM
  - Budget Workshop – October 21, 2017 – 8:00AM
  - Zoning Board of Appeals –October 25, 2017 –7:00PM
  - Town Board Meeting – October 26, 2017–7:00PM

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**PRESENTATIONS**

Karen Mort from Cornell University Cooperative Extension Albany County introduced herself. Ms. Mort stated they had been awarded a grant from the Department of Health for the Hudson

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River Fish Advisory program and they have just completed their first quarter. They have been busy attending events trying to get the word out regarding eating fish from the Hudson River. Many other counties in New York have been participating in this program for several years, but Albany County has not really been represented. They have been charged with getting the information out, making sure people understand how to follow the advice on eating fish caught anywhere along the 192 miles of the Hudson River. They have done surveys of both men and women asking what types of fish they have caught, are they eating them and how are they cooking them. Brochures, maps, posters, signs and website postings are some of the ways they are using to pass the information on to the public. They don't want people to stop eating fish, they want them to stop eating contaminated fish. They are targeting the most vulnerable population which are women of child bearing age and children under the age of 15. Certain types of fish cannot be eaten at all and unfortunately strippers are on that list. Strippers have been found to be spending more time here in the Hudson and not migrating so that increases their exposure to contamination. Rock bass, perch and blue back herring are some types of fish that are safe to eat. Ms. Mort asked that the Town inform her about any events she could attend to pass along information or a popular time for fishing license sales where she could come spend some time informing people. Unfortunately it will take a long time for contamination levels to drop in the Hudson River after the dredging.

Councilman Dolan stated she could leave information with the Town Clerk and reiterated Councilman Burns' suggestion of contacting the Fish & Game Club regarding their annual Fishing Derby.

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**PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Councilman Dolan stated there will be a Fall Festival at Lawson's Lake sponsored by Albany County Department of Recreation and Albany County Department of Children, Youth and Families on Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> from 11am – 3 pm.

Councilman Langdon stated the Haunted Hayride in the Hollow sponsored by Coeymans PAL will be at Joralemon Park on Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> from 5pm – 9pm.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Barbara Tanner** questioned why the Town Board moved money from three different accounts at the last meeting.

Supervisor Crandall responded it was done to balance the books.

Mrs. Tanner stated she has heard from people in the community that the Town wants to eliminate the Coeymans Police Department and have the Albany County Sheriff's Department take over coverage of the Town. Mrs. Tanner said she did not hear this information from anyone on the Town Board or anyone in the Police Department.

Supervisor Crandall responded that is not true, it is not going to happen.

Mrs. Tanner stated she was happy to hear that as the response time for the Sheriff's Department could be too long. Mrs. Tanner continued by asking if anything more had been heard about the recycling center, was it still ongoing.

Supervisor Crandall responded they are still looking into it, but at this time it is on the back burner.

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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Supervisor Crandall stated that there were three sets of minutes for Town Board approval, a Town Board Meeting on September 28, 2017, a Special Town Board Meeting on October 5, 2017 and a Bid Opening for the Gazebo Roof on October 12, 2017 and then asked for a motion to approve them.

**MOTION**

On motion of Councilman Dolan, seconded by Councilman Youmans, approving the September 28, 2017, October 5, 2017 and the October 12, 2017 Town Board Meeting minutes.  
VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

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**OLD BUSINESS**

**Photo Contest**

Supervisor Crandall stated they had five photographs submitted and he asked the other members of the Town Board which one they had chosen. The Town Board collectively agreed they liked photograph number 1.

Councilman Youmans stated the chosen photograph was submitted by Alicia Piper from Central Ave in Ravenna and he congratulated her on behalf of the Town Board. The photograph will be put on the Town's website.

Councilman Dolan stated there is a sample on the website now.

**2018 Budget**

**MOTION**

On motion of Councilman Dolan, seconded by Councilman Youmans authorizing the Town Board to set a public hearing for the 2018 preliminary budget on November 9, 2017 at 6:00pm and authorize the Town Clerk to advertise the notice of public hearing.  
VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

Town Clerk Millious reminded the Town Board that when she posts the Notice, it must include the salaries for all Elected Officials.

Councilman Dolan stated they will have that information after Saturday's Budget Workshop meeting.

**Gazebo Roof**

Supervisor Crandall stated there was one bid for \$16,741.60 from AggreCem, Inc. 19 Coons Rd Coeymans Hollow and he feels that it is much higher than the previous bids submitted. He asked the Town Board for their thoughts.

Councilman Youmans stated he was not comfortable awarding the bid with just one bidder, especially with this bid being so much higher than the last time.

Supervisor Crandall asked Town Clerk Millious if there were any other bids.

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Town Clerk Millious responded no, she has been trying to get the information out to as many people as possible, she has even handed out the bid packets to contractors when they come in to purchase their hunting licenses.

Councilman Burns asked if they could put it out to bid again.

Supervisor Crandall responded they can put it out to bid as many times as they want.

Supervisor Crandall asked if the Town Board would like to make a motion to put the Gazebo roof out to bid again.

**MOTION**

On motion of Councilman Burns, seconded by Councilman Youmans, directing the Town Clerk to advertise for bids for a new roof on the Gazebo again with the same specifications as before.

**VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED**

Councilman Dolan asked how long the last bid was out for.

Town Clerk Millious responded two weeks.

Councilman Dolan stated maybe this time the bid should be out for a longer period of time and hopefully there will be more responses.

Councilman Burns stated in the past it kept getting put off, so some of the original bidders lost interest.

Town Clerk Millious stated she has gone through the phone book, gone online and sent the bid packet out to every contractor she could find.

Supervisor Crandall asked Town Clerk Millious to reach out to the previous bidders and inform them the project is being put out to bid again.

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**NEW BUSINESS**

**Resignation of Police Officers**

Supervisor Crandall stated Chief of Police McKenna has informed him that Officers Favata and Dorsey have submitted their resignations and a motion is needed accepting the resignations.

**MOTION**

On the motion of Councilman Dolan, seconded by Councilman Burns, accepting the resignations of Police Officer Favata and Police Officer Dorsey.

**VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED**

Supervisor Crandall stated Chief McKenna will have some names for the Town Board regarding the replacement of the two Police Officers at a future meeting.

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**RESOLUTIONS**

**RES. #113-17 AMEND PUBLIC HEARING DATE SEWER DISTRICT EXTENSION PLAN**

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

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans, Albany County, New York was convened in public session at the Coeymans Town Hall, 18 Russell Avenue, Ravena, New York on October 12, 2017 at 7:00 o'clock p.m., local time.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Philip Crandall, and, upon roll being called, the following members were:

PRESENT:

Philip A. Crandall	Supervisor
Kenneth A. Burns	Member
Thomas E. Dolan	Member
George E. Langdon	Member
James C. Youmans	Member

ABSENT:

The following persons were ALSO PRESENT:

The following resolution was offered by Councilman Youmans, seconded by Councilman Dolan, to wit;

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IN THE MATTER OF THE

ESTABLISHMENT OF EXTENSION TO COEYMANS SEWER DISTRICT IN  
THE TOWN OF COEYMANS, IN THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, STATE OF  
NEW YORK PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 12-A OF THE TOWN LAW

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AMENDED RESOLUTION AND ORDER ACCEPTING A MAP, PLAN AND REPORT AND  
SCHEDULING A PUBLIC HEARING, PURSUANT TO SECTION 209-d OF TOWN LAW

WHEREAS, the Town of Coeymans, Albany County, New York (the “Town”) has previously approved its Resolution and Order Accepting a Map, Plan and Report and Scheduling a Public Hearing, Pursuant to Section 209-d of Town Law (“Resolution”) dated September 28, 2017, regarding the establishment of an extension to the Coeymans Sewer District in the vicinity of Stonehouse Hill Road and Route 144/River; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend and supplement the Resolution to reschedule the date for the public hearing from October 26, 2017 to November 9, 2017; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans, Albany County, New York as follows:

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1. The Town Board shall meet and hold a public hearing on November 9, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Hall, 18 Russell Avenue, Ravena, New York, to hear all persons interested in the subject concerning the creation of the Extension to Sewer District and Improvements thereto, with a maximum total estimated cost of \$74,856, and for such other action on the part of the Town Board with relation thereto as may be required by law.
  
2. This order shall take effect immediately.

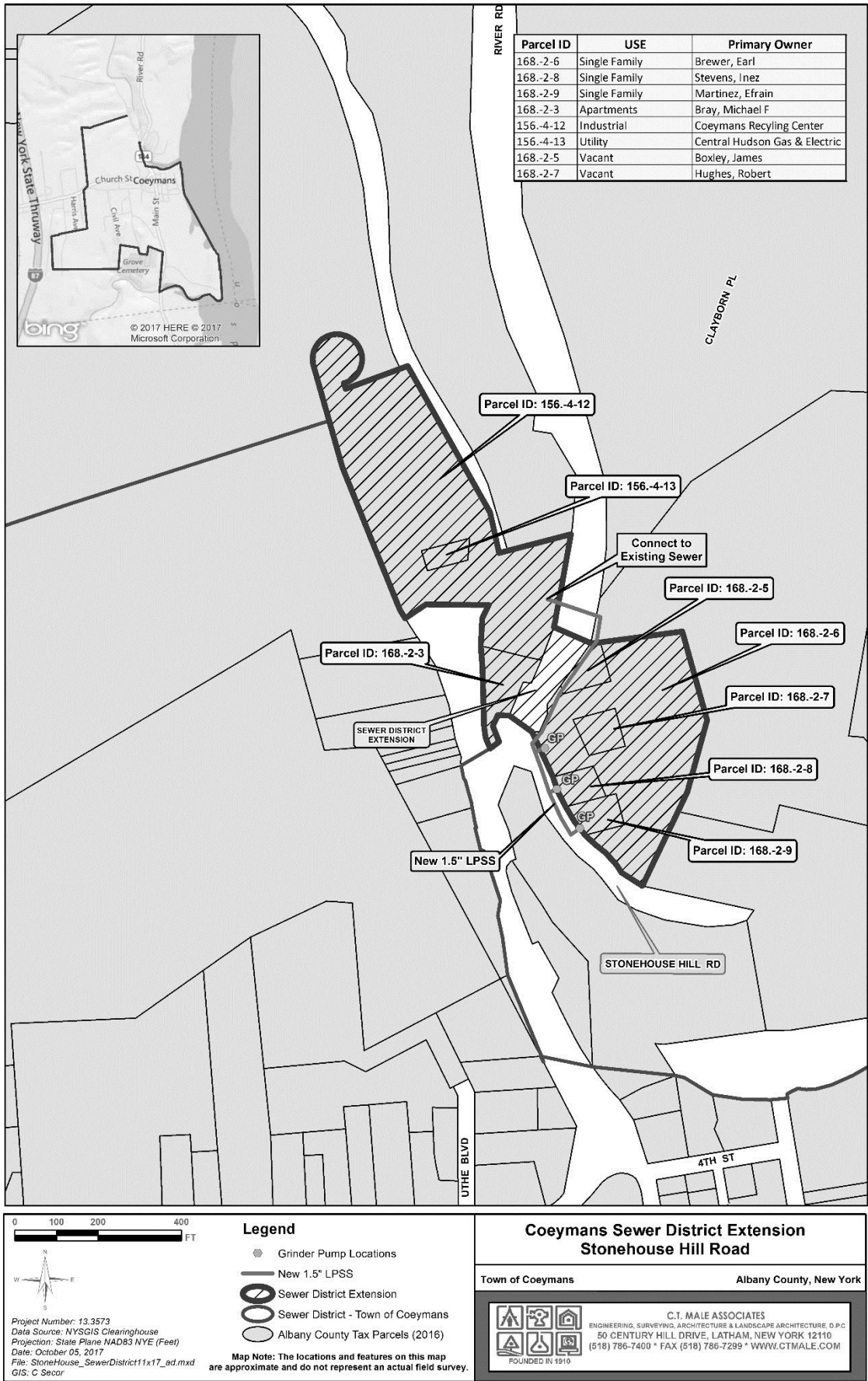
The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote on a roll call, which resulted as follows:

Philip A. Crandall	VOTING Aye
Kenneth A. Burns	VOTING Aye
Thomas E. Dolan	VOTING Aye
George E. Langdon	VOTING Aye
James C. Youmans	VOTING Aye

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

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EXHIBIT A



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**EXHIBIT B**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH EXTENSION TO COEYMANS SEWER DISTRICT AND  
TO CONSTRUCT IMPROVEMENTS TO FACILITIES FOR COEYMANS SEWER DISTRICT**

Notice is hereby given that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans, Albany County, will meet at the Town Hall, 18 Russell Avenue, Ravena, New York, on the 9th day of November, 2017, at 6:30 p.m., prevailing time, for the purpose of conducting a public hearing upon a proposal by said Town Board to establish an Extension to the Coeymans Sewer District in the vicinity of Stonehouse Hill Road and Route 144/River Road, as hereinafter described, at which time and place said Town Board will meet to consider such proposition and hear all persons interested in the subject thereof and concerning the same.

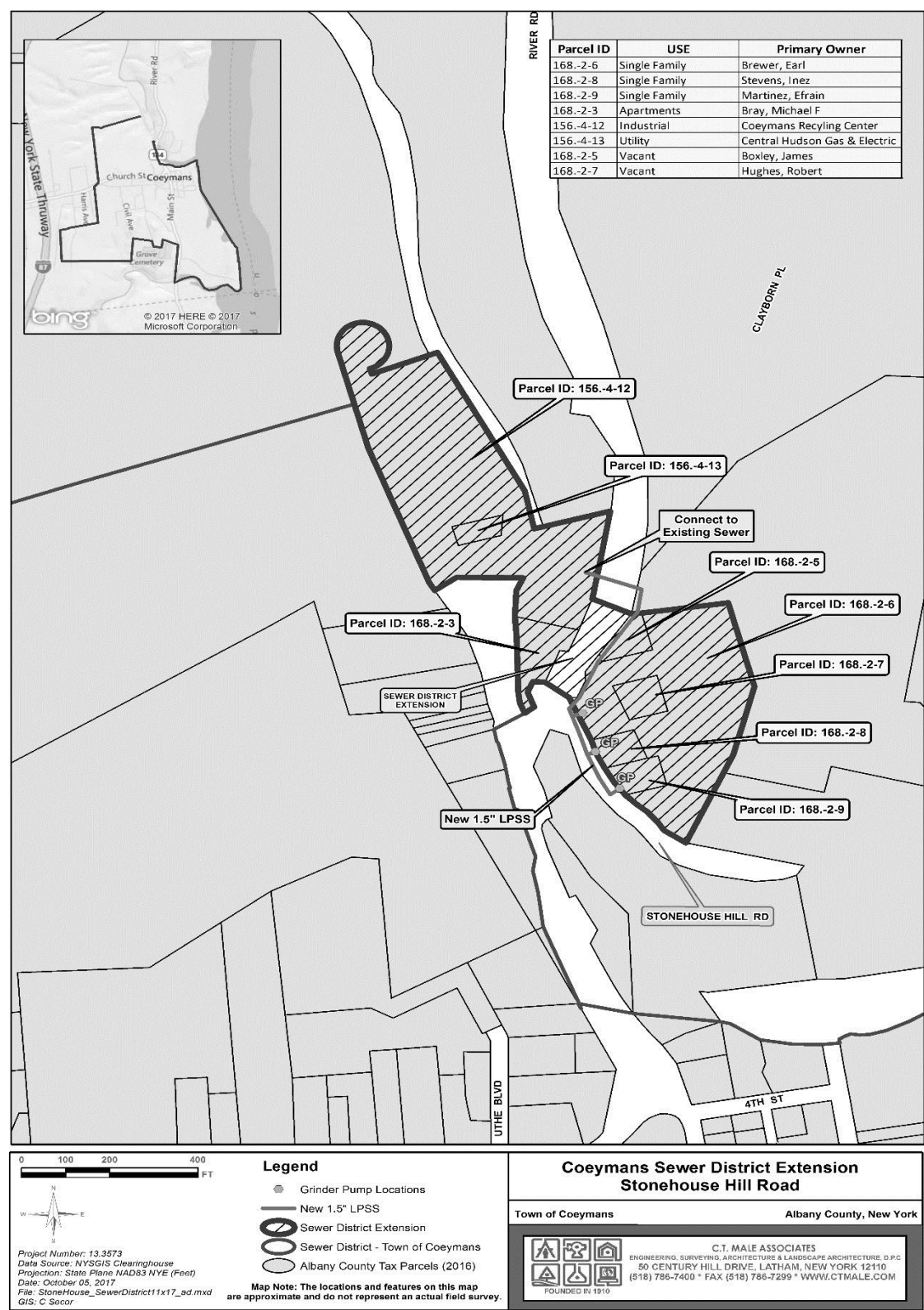
Notice is further given that the Town Board will meet at the same time and place for the purpose of conducting a concurrent public hearing upon a proposal by said Town Board to establish an extension to the Coeymans Sewer District as hereinafter described, at which time and place said Town Board will meet to consider such proposition and hear all persons interested in the subject thereof and concerning the same.

The proposed Extension is described in a Map, Plan and Report dated August 11, 2017, as revised September 21, 2017 prepared by C. T. Male Associates (the “Map, Plan and Report”), on file in the office of the Town Clerk for public inspection.

The description of the boundaries of the proposed Extension to be established pursuant to Town Law Section 209-e is shown in the following map.



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The proposed Extension is to include those properties within the Town of Coeymans described as Tax Map Parcel Numbers: 156.-4-12; 156.-4-13; 168.-2-3; 168.-2-5; 168.-2-6; 168.-2-7; 168.-2-8; 168.-2-9.

The improvements proposed to be made as further described in the Map, Plan and Report include the construction of a low pressure sanitary sewer system along Stonehouse Hill Road and establishment of an Extension to the existing Coeymans Sewer District in the Town, to include eight parcels of property in the vicinity of Stonehouse Hill Road and Route 144/River Road; and including land or rights in land, original furnishings, equipment, machinery and apparatus required therefor.

The estimated maximum total cost for the construction of the Extension to Coeymans Sewer District and the Improvements described in the Map, Plan and Report for Sewer District will be \$74,856. The plan of financing set forth in the Map, Plan and Report indicates that the Town anticipates the receipt of a grant from NYS DEC to pay a portion of such costs.

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Dated: Ravenna, New York

October 12, 2017

By Order of the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans, New York

Diane L. Millious

Town Clerk

STATE OF NEW YORK )

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COUNTY OF ALBANY )

I, Diane L. Millious, Town Clerk of the Town of Coeymans, in the County of Albany, State of New York, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the preceding "AMENDED RESOLUTION AND ORDER ACCEPTING A MAP, PLAN AND REPORT AND SCHEDULING A PUBLIC HEARING, PURSUANT TO SECTION 209-d OF TOWN LAW" regarding the following matter "IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF EXTENSION TO COEYMANS SEWER DISTRICT IN THE TOWN OF COEYMANS, IN THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, STATE OF NEW YORK PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 12-A OF THE TOWN LAW" with the original thereof filed in my office on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017, and the same is a true and correct copy of said original and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said Town  
this 12<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017.

-SEAL-

Diane L. Millious, Town Clerk

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## UPCOMING WORKSHOPS/MEETINGS

- Budget Workshop – October 14<sup>th</sup> – 8am
- Town Board Workshop – October 19<sup>th</sup> – 6pm
- Budget Workshop – October 21<sup>st</sup> – 8am
- Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting, October 25<sup>th</sup> – 7pm
- Town Board Meeting, October 26<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 pm

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**ADDITIONAL COMMENTS**

Supervisor Crandall asked if there were any additional comments.

Councilman Langdon said there will be a Harvest Festival this Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> at Faith Plaza from 11am – 3pm.

Councilman Youmans wanted to say that he has never heard anyone on the current Town Board say anything regarding the elimination of the Coeymans Police Department.

Mrs. Tanner stated again she did not hear anything from the Town Board or Police Department regarding this. She has heard from 3-4 people in the community.

Councilman Burns stated that most of the community wants to keep the Police Department, he knows there are a few complaints about them but overall the community wants their own Police Department. In the past when they talked to both the Albany County Sheriff's Department and the New York State Police about providing the same level of coverage, the response from both agencies was that they would not be able to provide the same level of coverage.

Supervisor Crandall stated it is a non-issue.

Mrs. Tanner responded that is why she wanted to bring it up, so the Town Board could comment on it.

Town Clerk Millious reminded everyone that the last day to pay their water and sewer bills is November 1<sup>st</sup>. Any amount still due after that date will be relevied on to the 2018 Town & County tax bills. Reminder notices are being prepared and will be mailed out to everyone with an outstanding balance.

Town Clerk Millious stated she will be retiring at the end of the year and will be available to help the new Town Clerk as much as she can.

Highway Superintendent Searles stated NYSDOT inspected the bridges in the Town today and the bridge on Marshall Rd is now closed. There are some problems with the guide rails and they will repaired as soon as possible.

Supervisor Crandall asked if the local residents had been notified.

Highway Superintendent Searles responded that everyone has been notified, local residents, RCS School District, Albany County Dispatch.

Councilman Youmans asked if that is the Town's only bridge and who needs to fix it.

Highway Superintendent Searles responded it is the only bridge the Town has and the Highway Department will fix it.

Highway Superintendent Searles said the back tires on the Loader at the Landfill were slit and need to be replaced.

Supervisor Crandall asked if someone slit them.

Highway Superintendent Searles said he doesn't know and he isn't going to accuse anyone. The tires have years of use on them, over shale at the landfill, and they are the original tires from 1997. The cost to replace them will be \$4300.00.

Councilman Youmans asked if the Town has a newer loader.

Highway Superintendent Searles responded that is the newer one.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Supervisor Crandall asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

**MOTION**

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

**VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED**

**Time -7:36 PM**

*Respectfully Submitted,*

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*Diane L. Millious, Town Clerk*

**APPROVED – As Read October 26, 2017**