

MINUTES BOOKTOWN OF COEYMANS
June 22, 2015 – Town Board Meeting – 7:00pm**

A Town Board Meeting was held Monday, June 22, 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
George E. Langdon, IV, Councilman
Kenneth A. Burns, Councilman

ALSO PRESENT: Diane L. Millious, Town Clerk
Peter 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

- Public Announcement
 - Village of Ravena Farmer's Market
 - Second Annual Town vs. Village Kickball Game
 - Town Offices Closed
 - Summer Recreation and Food for Thought Programs
 - Section 8 Public Hearing
- Public Comment
- Approval of Minutes
 - Town Board Meeting, May 27, 2015
 - Bid Opening, June 4, 2015
 - Special Town Board Executive Session Meeting, June 15, 2105
 - Town Board Workshop, June 16, 2015
- Department Reports
 - Town Clerk, May 2015
 - Sewer, May 2015
 - Building, May 2015
- New Business
 - Grange Week Proclamation
 - Certificate of Achievement, Eagle Scout
 - Evenings on the Green
- Resolutions
 - Approve Serial Bond, Highway Truck
 - Appoint Food for Thought Recreational Assistants
 - Appoint Summer Recreation Program Assistants
 - Approve June Abstract
- Upcoming Workshops/Meetings
 - Planning Board Meeting, July 6, 2015, 7:00pm
 - Town Board Workshop, July 21, 2015, 6:00pm
 - ZBA Meeting, July 22, 2015, 7:00pm
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PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supervisor Flach stated that there were several public announcements and added that there is a Community News Bulletin that will be available at the Town Clerk's Office as well as trying to make it available at the library and various other locations and hopefully they will be sending it home with the school children. He continued by saying that it is Town of Coeymans community news, giving information on various things that will be happening throughout the summer such as movies in the park, Evenings on the Green, etc. and the dates and times are listed.

Village of Ravena Farmer's Market

Supervisor Flach stated that the Village of Ravena Farmer's Market will begin on Thursday, July 9th and goes through Labor Day and will be 4:00pm – 7:00pm rain or shine at Village Hall at 15 Mountain Road.

Second Annual Town vs. Village Kickball Game

Supervisor Flach stated that the Second Annual Town vs. Village Kickball Game will be held at Mosher Park, Sunday June 28th at noon in addition to the Village having a summer kick-off that day with many activities beginning at 11:00am.

Town Office Closed – July 3rd

Supervisor Flach stated that the Town Offices will be closed Friday, July 3rd in observance of Independence Day.

Summer Recreation Food for Thought Programs

Supervisor Flach stated that the Summer Recreation and Food for Thought Programs will begin July 6th and information is available at Town Hall in the Supervisor's Office and Town Clerk's Office. He added that the Summer Recreation Program is at Mosher Park and the Food for Thought Program is at P.B. Elementary.

Section 8 Public Hearing

Supervisor Flach stated that there is a Public Hearing on July 27th at 6:30pm for the Section 8 Housing, which is held each year.

Supervisor Flach continued by saying that on Saturday, June 27th at 9:00am there is a Ribbon Cutting and Historic Road Sign Marker presentation at the Valley Paper Mill Park, known as the Chimney Top in Alcove at the corner of Rte. 111 and Rte. 143. He added that the Town has taken over the park and a Historic Road Sign Marker has been donated, which will be unveiled at this time.

Supervisor Flach continued by announcing that there is a Village/Town Workshop on June 23rd at 7:00pm to discuss some water and sewer issues.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Supervisor Flach asked if anyone wished to comment, hearing none he moved to the next item on the agenda.

PRESENTATION

Supervisor Flach stated that Mr. Kevin Demarest is present and represents the Albany County Sheriff's Department 911 Center and then asked that he give the Town Board an update on the Communication Department transfer.

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Mr. Demarest stated that the consolidation of Dispatch is going smooth, he met with all the Fire Departments, the Police Department, the Rescue Squad and First Light and they are scheduled for Monday, June 29th to have the phones switched over at approximately 10:00am. He added that once the phones get switched over he also has scheduled for Pittsfield Communications to be here the whole day to reprogram the Fire Department pagers and radios. He continued by saying that currently they have both the Town and County frequencies at Communications now and as the transition is going over, they will be dispatching off the Coeymans frequencies and then as the agencies get on the County frequencies they will be dispatching them, which should be done by the end of the day.

Supervisor Flach asked if there were any questions.

Supervisor Flach stated that there are two full-time Town employees still downstairs but are with the County.

Mr. Demarest stated that they will remain downstairs during the transition period and after that to make sure that if there are any hiccups or problems, they can fall back on them but they don't foresee any issues with State Telephone, First Light or Pittsfield Communications who are helping them with the technical end of it.

Chief McKenna stated that Mr. Demarest has been very helpful and he had mentioned the last time they met that their function on the 29th and 30th will be as liaison between the two in a very proactive manner. He added that for any glitches he has asked that the Dispatchers sitting in the chair on the A, B or C to notify if any phone rings where they are not directly connected or if there is anything that can be culled or modified and he has asked that the Town's Dispatchers immediately dispatch at Albany County. He continued by saying that whatever is anyone's opinion on the transition, it has been done extremely professional and Mr. Demarest and Ralph Mariani have done fantastic jobs and there is a melancholy existence in the change-over but in terms of the professionalism, he cannot speak highly enough about what they have done. He went on by saying that they are constantly looking for updates and are putting a stop gap in place in the event that there is some sort of problem that is unforeseen, which could happen. He concluded by saying that they have been very diligent in the efforts and it has been a pleasure working with them to try and make the transition as seamless as possible.

Supervisor Flach stated that he had spoken with Chief McKenna regarding the phone number they are going to use as far as going to the Chief's Office and they will meet to coordinate what 756 numbers will be going to the County so he is still able to get his phone calls.

Mr. Demarest stated that there should be IP phones installed in the Police Department this week as well as a camera going in, lobby phone and buzzer to let people in.

Supervisor Flach stated that Mr. Mariani had mentioned the computers for the cars.

Mr. Demarest stated that they are receiving parts for them right now.

Chief McKenna stated that after the transition, all of the units will have in-car data terminals and there is a high confidence level that calls will be dispatched to the mobile data terminals so the Officers in the cars will receive the information and can access it on a call screen, just as if they were sitting inside dispatch. He continued by saying that they will review the information and will acknowledge through voice transmission or direct computer transmission what they received as well as being able to add information, which is also part of the transition. He added that as a side note, the terminals are being placed in a much more user friendly manner in terms of the way that they sit in the car because right now they are cumbersome. He went on by saying that it will allow for a two-person unit, mounted on the center system with a scan capacity and he is very optimistic as to how it will assist the Officers in their cars and ability to take and relay information and from past experience, it will cut down on radio traffic and go directly to the unit itself. He continued by saying that if the Officer does not acknowledge by touching the computer, this is when the Dispatcher will say if it is a low priority call and to check the CAD screen, there will be a ping on the mobile data terminal and in turn the Officer in the car will hear it and look on the screen, which will be the actual call. He reiterated that all of the information will be there, they will have the ability to add information and acknowledge by voice

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transmission or by typing it in. He concluded by saying that he is meeting with Verizon regarding the air card system.

Mr. Demarest stated that it also gives them access to any agencies using the Records Management System so the Officers will have that information instantaneously and they will have the ability to run vehicles or persons through DMV and do NCIC checks for wants and warrants, which is something Dispatch can do but it is nice when it is right in front of you.

Chief McKenna stated that for an example, when a vehicle goes by, rather than an Officer calling Dispatch to run a plate or ask for information on an individual where there is transmission back and forth, with the new system they can run it themselves without tying up the airwaves. He added that the frequencies are still available and they can communicate back and forth but the Records Management System that Mr. Demarest mentioned is head and shoulders above the existing SAS System and it is tied in to Albany County, Colonie, Schenectady, City of Albany, Green Island, Watervliet, Cohoes and a number of other agencies and for an example if they are trying to locate a missing person, it will come up for any of the agencies tied into the system and at their disposal. He concluded by saying that there is tremendously more information available to the units at a much faster rate.

Councilman Masti interjected that they it would bypass the need for Dispatch.

Chief McKenna stated that it is always there in case of an emergency or if you are multi-tasking and need to ask for another unit, for instance if there is a multi-car crash.

Councilman Masti stated that they are also cutting down on the time that Dispatch has to be doing things because they can now do it at their cars.

Chief McKenna stated that would be true if they were trained properly.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Supervisor Flach stated that there were four sets of minutes for Town Board approval, a Town Board Meeting on May 27th, a Bid Opening on June 4th, a Special Town Board Executive Session Meeting on June 15th and a Town Board Workshop on June 16th and then offered a motion to approve them.

MOTION

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

VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Councilman Dolan stated that he would like to talk about what happened with the Sewer repair bids that they had discussed at the Workshop.

Supervisor Flach stated that he was absent for the Workshop and then asked Councilman Dolan if he wanted to comment.

Councilman Dolan stated that they advertised a bid for sewer repairs and there were two responses, one of the companies offered lower equipment rental rates and the other offered lower cost for labor and because a lot of the work required labor and rental, it was hard to determine which one was the lowest bidder.

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Supervisor Flach stated that small and large equipment is needed and the bidders had equipment that was in between so they sent it out for re-bid.

Councilman Langdon interjected that the bid was completely done over as far as specifications and it will clarify and be easier to determine what is going to be the best deal for the Town.

Supervisor Flach stated that a company may have a smaller piece of equipment that they can charge less for and do the same job as the bigger piece of equipment, and this was only part of it.

Councilman Dolan stated that it also wasn't clear the way it was bid out as far as how much labor was entailed in each job, it was just a rate per hour and even though there was a big discrepancy in the rate and without knowing the number of hours one would be required to work on it or what equipment needed to be rented, it is hard to judge apples to apples. He concluded by saying that they rejected the submitted bids and will reissue a new bid with more clarity.

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

Town Clerk – May 2015

Supervisor Flach asked that Town Clerk Millious give the Town Clerk Monthly Report.

Town Clerk Millious continued by giving the report.

Supervisor Flach offered a motion to approve the report.

Town Clerk Millious continued by saying that there was approval at the last Workshop Meeting to re-bid replacement of the gazebo roof, the bid opening will be Thursday, July 9th at 2:00pm and there is a list of contractors on file that she will be sending to as well as it going on the Town's website. She continued by saying that also approved at the last Workshop Meeting was for Crystal Image to play at the gazebo in Coeymans, it will be another reunion honoring their friend Wayne VanKempen on July 17th at 6:00pm, which is free and on a Friday night. She added that it will be announced on the Town's website as well as being in the newsletter that she helped assist with the design and there is a lot of information in the newsletter regarding many different things to do this summer including the Summer Recreation Program and Food for Thought.

MOTION

On motion of Supervisor Flach, seconded by Councilman, the report was approved as presented and read.

VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0

Sewer – May 2015

Supervisor Flach asked that Councilman Dolan give the Sewer Department Monthly Report.

Councilman Dolan continued by giving the report.

Supervisor Flach asked for a motion to approve the report.

MOTION

On motion of Councilman Masti, seconded by Councilman Langdon, the report was approved as presented and read.

VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0

Building Department Report -

Supervisor Flach asked that Councilman Masti give the Building Department Monthly Report.

Councilman Masti continued by giving the report.

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Supervisor Flach offered a motion to approve the report.

MOTION

On motion of Supervisor Flach, seconded by Councilman Langdon, the report was approved as presented and read.

VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0

NEW BUSINESS

Supervisor Flach stated that Grange Week was June 15th – June 21st and there is a Proclamation for them.

Grange Week Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Grange has sought to advance the interest of farmers, rural Americans and our nation's families for over 145 years through the simple but powerful concept that by working together we can accomplish much for our communities; and

WHEREAS, voluntary association with the Grange not only provides the benefits of economic and political cooperation for its members, but also elevates their character by providing social, cultural and educational programs; with opportunities for personal growth; and

WHEREAS, the Grange provides members the opportunity to serve their community through projects and programs that make a difference in the lives of children, youth and neighbors in need of assistance; and

WHEREAS, the Ravena Grange in Coeymans Hollow has served this community since 1919.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans proclaims the week of June 15-21, 2015 as Grange Week, in recognition of the contributions made by the Grange throughout their many years of faithful service.

Certificate of Achievement – Eagle Scout

Supervisor Flach stated that there is a Certificate of Achievement for Thomas Geoghegan recognizing his achievement of Boy Scouts of America Eagle Rank. He added that his Eagle Scout Project was collecting over 300 pounds of used soccer equipment to be distributed to children in need by the charity GloBall Giving and there was a ceremony to honor him on June 15th and they recognized him as he received his Eagle Scout status. He concluded by saying that it is an awesome achievement and a good thing when you have young men and women who are achieving those ranks for their honor, character and integrity.

Evenings on the Green

Supervisor Flach stated that Evenings on the Green begin Thursday, July 2nd and will be every Thursday following that through August 27th from 6:00pm-8:00pm and on July 2nd it is Mark Emanatian and Tom Dolan Band. He added that it is great for residents of the Village and Town to go to on those nights and that there is a list of bands, which will be in Town Hall, on the Town's website and in the Newsletter.

Councilman Dolan stated that when he plays there, he along with the members of his band do not get paid for the performance and it is done for free.

Supervisor Flach thanked him for giving back to the community.

RESOLUTIONS

Supervisor Flach stated that for the first resolution he had spoken with Attorney for the Town Wukitsch and he advised that the entire resolution did not have to be read and added that it is a Bond Resolution to purchase a Highway Truck, which they authorized to order. He continued by saying that it will be a 5-year Bond and come out of the equipment line of the Highway Department, they are putting some money down, \$25,000.00 and the BAN will be \$186,000.00, which will be done by the end of August so they will be ready to pay for it when it comes in and the down payment is in the budget.

RES. #92-15 AUTHORIZE SERIAL BONDS

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

BOND RESOLUTION DATED JUNE 22, 2015

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF ONE HIGHWAY TRUCK AND ISSUANCE OF SERIAL BONDS OF THE TOWN OF COEYMANS, ALBANY COUNTY, NEW YORK IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$211,000.00 PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL FINANCE LAW TO FINANCE THE COST THEREOF, AND DELEGATING CERTAIN POWERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH TO THE TOWN SUPERVISOR

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans, Albany County, New York (the "Town") (by the favorable vote of not less than two-thirds of all of the members of the Town Board) as follows:

SECTION 1. The specific purpose (hereinafter referred to as "purpose") to be financed pursuant to this resolution is the acquisition of one 2015 International 4x4 truck with plow and wing for highway maintenance purposes. The aggregate estimated maximum cost of said purpose is \$211,000 and said amount is hereby appropriated therefor. It is hereby determined that said purpose is an object or purpose described in subdivision 28 of paragraph A of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law, and that the period of probable usefulness of said purpose is fifteen years.

SECTION 2. It is hereby determined that the aforesaid purpose constitutes a Type II action as defined under the State Environmental Quality Review Regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617, which has been determined under SEQRA not to have a significant impact on the environment.

SECTION 3. It is hereby determined that the proposed maturity of the obligations authorized by this resolution will not be in excess of five years from the original date of issuance of such obligations.

SECTION 4. The Town Board plans to finance the total cost of said purpose by the issuance of serial bonds of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$211,000, hereby authorized to be issued therefor pursuant to the Local Finance Law.

SECTION 5. Current funds are not required to be provided prior to the issuance of the bonds authorized by this resolution or any notes issued in anticipation of said bonds.

SECTION 6. The proceeds of the bonds herein authorized and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds may be applied to reimburse the Town for expenditures made after the effective date of this resolution for the purpose for which said bonds are authorized. This resolution shall constitute a statement of official intent for purposes of Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations.

SECTION 7. Each of the bonds authorized by this resolution and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law. The faith and credit of the Town are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds becoming due and payable in such year. There shall

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annually be levied on all the taxable real property of the Town a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due and payable.

SECTION 8. Subject to the terms and contents of this resolution and the Local Finance Law, and pursuant to the provisions of Sections 30.00, 50.00 and 56.00 to 63.00, inclusive, of said Law, the power to authorize bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance of the serial bonds authorized by this resolution and the renewals of said notes and the power to prescribe the terms, form and contents of said serial bonds and said bond anticipation notes (including without limitation the date, denominations, maturities, interest payment dates, consolidation with other issues, and redemption rights), the power to determine to issue said bonds providing for substantially level or declining debt service, and the power to sell and deliver said serial bonds (including statutory installment bonds), and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the issuance of such bonds, is hereby delegated to the Town Supervisor, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the Town. The Town Supervisor is hereby authorized to sign any serial bonds issued pursuant to this resolution and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the issuance of said serial bonds, and the Town Clerk is hereby authorized to affix the corporate seal of the Town to any of said serial bonds or any bond anticipation notes and to attest such seal.

SECTION 9. The Town Supervisor is further authorized to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary to ensure the continued status of the interest on the bonds authorized by this resolution, and any notes issued in anticipation thereof, as excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and to designate the bonds authorized by this resolution and any notes issued in anticipation thereof as "qualified tax-exempt bonds" for purposes of Section 265(b)(3)(B)(i) of the Code.

SECTION 10. The validity of said serial bonds or of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said serial bonds may be contested only if:

- (1) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the Town is not authorized to expend money; or
- (2) The provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of the publication of this resolution are not substantially complied with; and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication; or
- (3) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution of New York.

SECTION 11. The Town Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish this resolution, or a summary thereof, together with a notice in substantially the form provided by Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law, in The News Herald, being a newspaper having a general circulation in the Town and hereby designated as the official newspaper of the Town for such publication.

SECTION 12. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote by a roll call, conducted by Town Clerk Millious, which resulted as follows:

Stephen D. Flach	VOTING – AYE
George E. Langdon	VOTING – AYE
Peter E. Masti	VOTING – AYE
Thomas E. Dolan	VOTING – AYE
Kenneth A. Burns	VOTING – AYE

Councilman Dolan asked what the anticipated use life will be on the truck.

Highway Superintendent Searles stated that it will be approximately 20 years and the one they are replacing is a 1988 Mack, which is almost 30 years.

Councilman Burns stated that he thought they were going to get into the practice of running a truck four to five years and then replace it with a new truck and sell the used truck while it is still worth something. He added that he knows you can do it with smaller trucks and then asked if

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they can do something like that with a truck like this.

Highway Superintendent Searles stated that you can if you are up to date with your other trucks otherwise you are just turning one truck over. He continued by saying that once he gets rid of the 1988 and 1977 Osh Kosh and replace it with this new truck, he still has three 2000 trucks, which are 15 years old.

Councilman Burns asked that if it is financially possible and they do it with a second truck, would he consider doing this because he has talked to a lot of other agencies who are in a yearly regimen of doing this and the warranties are still on them.

Highway Superintendent Searles stated that they are like a year apart because you have so many of them so at the end of the five years, they are replacing that five-year truck and the next year is another fifth year truck that you are replacing and with just doing it with one, it is not feasible until he gets the other ones caught up.

Supervisor Flach stated that one positive thing about this is that they are only doing the five-years so at the end of the five years they can try to get it integrated to what Councilman Burns is talking about.

Councilman Burns stated that with the older vehicles, they could fix them, they were fixable but now you need a technician to come in and fix them and he doesn't see the life expectancy on the newer vehicles to be 30 years.

Highway Superintendent Searles stated that this truck is a 4-wheel truck and won't be run constant like the other trucks.

Councilman Masti interjected that it has a stainless steel box so it won't rust out as quickly.

Highway Superintendent Searles stated that for one of the 2000 trucks, they are already on their 3rd dump body and the last one was \$27,000.00.

RES. #093-15 APPOINT FOOD FOR THOUGHT RECREATIONAL ASSISTANTS

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

WHEREAS, the Summer Food for Thought Program is in need of Recreational Assistants to supervise the children who have signed up for the Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby appoint the following individuals as part-time Recreational Assistants for the Food for Thought Summer Youth Program.

Sarah Krein	Jacob Black
Emma Rowzee	Zachery Burns
Emily Shear	Brittney O'Brien
Madison Bidwell	Chelsea Alix

The appointment is effective July 6th to August 7th 2015 and will be an hourly wage of \$8.75.

Supervisor Flach stated that there were many applications and Danyell Crowley, the Director for the Program, chose all the people on the list, which she was given the freedom to do and she is pleased with her list. He continued by saying that letters were sent to those who were accepted and letters of regret to those who were not and there were only eight positions to fill.

RES. #094-15 APPOINT SUMMER RECREATIONAL ASSISTANTS

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

WHEREAS, the Summer Recreation Program is in need of Recreational Assistants to supervise the children who have signed up for the Program.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby appoint the following individuals as part-time Recreational Assistants for the Summer Recreation Program.

Bailey Kross	Logan Frangella
Jayden Feliciano	Teller Wood
Mathew Carter	Christopher Deragon.

Substitute Recreational Assistants to be called on an as needed basis.

Miles Lukens Michael Babcock Sierra Staats

The appointment is effective July 6th to August 7th 2015 at the hourly wage of \$8.75.

Supervisor Flach stated that they have a new Summer Recreation Director this year, Connor Zeoli, who was highly recommended by last year's Director Eric Norris and some of the coaches at R-C-S.

Councilman Dolan interjected that this is the Program that they split 50/50 with the Village.

RES. #095-15 APPROVE JUNE 2015 ABSTRACT

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board has approved the payment of bills as presented in the Abstract for June 2015 as follows:

VOUCHER NUMBERS - 169990-169996,170000-170005,170007-170016,1700065-170071,170073-170075,170077-170096,170098-170099,170101-170118,170120-170131,170133-170134,170147,170238 in the amount of \$639,832.57.

VOUCHER NUMBERS - 170157-170218,170224-170231,170235-170236,170239-170272 in the amount of \$74,917.23. Total for both funds \$714,749.80.

Supervisor Flach stated that the next two resolutions were not on the agenda and added that Chief McKenna has requested a part-time Officer and Police Department Recruit.

RES. #096 APPOINT PART-TIME POLICE OFFICER

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

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 Timothy Williams to the position of part-time Police Officer effective June 23, 2015 pending a successful background check, one year probation and Albany County Civil Service approval. Appointment is contingent upon the candidate signing a Personal Service Contract with the Town of Coeymans. Part-time Police Officer Williams will be compensated at a rate of \$18.13 per hour as designated in the current Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Chief McKenna stated that they had discussed this but he dragged his feet on it and he apologized to the Board for the last minute resolutions. He added that Timothy Williams is a retired Officer with approximately 24 years of service with the City of Albany and currently is a Judge in Schuylerville and has a sincere desire to get back into Law Enforcement. He continued by saying that they worked together, he worked for him when he was a Sergeant, he has a tremendous amount of knowledge in Law Enforcement supervision and has studied in Commercial Vehicle Enforcement and other areas where they don't have a specific expert, he would be a huge asset to the Town, the Police Department and to the men and women of the

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Coeymans Police Department. He concluded by saying that based on his years of experience and knowledge as a Police Officer, Police Supervisor and a Jurist, he is hopeful that the Town Board will see what he has seen in him for more than 2 1/2 decades and he is a tremendous person and will be wonderful for the Town.

Councilman Langdon asked if he is trained and qualified.

Chief McKenna stated that he went through Zone 5 Academy before he himself did and worked in Albany as a Patrolman and then a Supervisor as a Patrol Sergeant and then a Sergeant in charge of Traffic Safety. He added that he comes from a long line of Law Enforcement, his father was a retired Colonel with the State Police and the Colonel Henry Williams Homicide Seminar is named after his Dad. He continued by saying that when Mr. Williams retired, he became a Judge in Schuylerville and he contacted him about working patrol, it is something that is in his blood and he can't say enough good about him as a person and Police Officer. He went on by saying that upon acceptance of the Board, he will resign his position in good standing as a Jurist in Schuylerville to work for the Town of Coeymans because he can't wear both hats. He concluded by saying that it is something that he has always loved doing and has identified with and even now it is something that he wants to stay involved in and reiterated that he can't say enough about him professionally and personally, he is a prenominal human being and will be a great asset.

Councilman Langdon asked that given his experience if he is still required to sign a Personal Contract.

Chief McKenna stated that he would like to make it standard for everyone and if he asks one, he should ask all.

Councilman Dolan asked if it is an addition to his budget.

Chief McKenna stated that it is not and in terms of part-time employees, this is someone who will be available, each one fills out an availability schedule and they fill the gaps with the available Officers with no additional cost to the Town.

Councilman Langdon stated that this will help him with the Civil Service hours of service by having more people available.

Chief McKenna stated that Albany County Civil Service has been very helpful and those who have status may work more than 1,040 hours a years and those that have not, it is recommended that they stay under with some exceptions for different circumstances and with Mr. Williams working 20 plus hours a week for this year, he can expand out, which will allow them to keep everyone at par with the hours required by Civil Service.

RES. #097 APPOINT POLICE DEPARTMENT RECRUIT

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

WHEREAS, the Police Chief is desirous of hiring Police Officers who are certified; and

WHEREAS, the Police Chief has conducted a search for available Police Officers and interviews were conducted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby appoint Caitlyn Posniewski to the position of Police Recruit to attend the Zone 5 Law Enforcement Academy on July 14, 2015 with one year probation and Albany County Civil Service approval. Appointment is contingent upon the candidate signing a Personal Services Contract with the Town of Coeymans.

Chief McKenna stated that Ms. Posniewski was on the Preferred List, which the Town of Coeymans has two lists, a General List where they draw from candidates strictly based on score or a Preferred List where it is based on score as a resident. He added that Coeymans has a residency requirement to be on the Preferred List so they go off that list first and it must be exhausted before they go to the General List, which between the Town and Village there are

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several hundred because it is given to all Towns and Villages. He continued by saying that Ms. Posniewski scored extremely high, in the top three and a full canvas was done and in turn interviews were conducted with a number of very qualified candidates and among them was a full-time Correction Office and full-time Fire Fighters. He went on by saying that Ms. Posniewski was interested in going to the full-time Academy, which is what he wanted for this town and the Town of Coeymans is a member of the Zone 5 Law Enforcement Community, which runs from Lake Placid to Poughkeepsie to the Vermont, Massachusetts borders and out past Canajoharie, it is a full-time Academy that cost the Town and its candidates nothing to attend. He added that it will be a candidate class between 75-80, which will make it the largest class in 10 years so the skill sets available and networking that can happen is as large as it's ever been. He continued by saying that Ms. Posniewski has an exemplarily record, she finished her 4-year degree at Plattsburgh with a 4.0 average and completed the P/T exam well above and beyond the standards required. He added that she is a phenomenal candidate, she was born and raised here and it is exciting to add someone local with Civil Service status allowing her to work more than 20 hours and he hopes they agree that she is a wonderful candidate. He went on by saying it is beneficial in that it costs the Town and candidate nothing with 20-30 different agencies, you are working with another 20-30 agencies who are instructors and lecturers, there is a weekly p/t program and a ton of different options available to them including preparation for working in the Law Enforcement Community, things to expect, networking and what you have to do to be ready to work in the job. He concluded by saying that he is excited because he does not think that there has been a candidate who has gone to the full-time Academy in nearly a decade and he thinks it's a feather in the cap for the Town of Coeymans to say that we are part of this community and he would very much like to send someone who is qualified to the Zone 5 Academy.

WORKSHOPS/MEETINGS

- Planning Board Meeting, July 6, 2015, 7:00pm
- Town Board Workshop, July 21, 2015, 6:00pm
- ZBA Meeting, July 22, 2015, 7:00pm
- Town Board Meeting, July 27, 2015, 7:00pm

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Supervisor Flach asked if there were any other comments.

Town Clerk Millious stated that she is working on getting a price for on-line Property Tax information because there have been people inquiring about the Town doing it. She added that it is a program where you can go on-line and check property taxes as far as whether it is paid or not paid, what is due, etc. and she will let them know when she finds out.

Supervisor Flach asked if there were any other comments.

Chief McKenna asked Councilman Dolan if his band plays anything by the Great Big Sea, a Canadian Band.

Councilman Dolan asked if he was going to be there.

Chief McKenna stated that he absolutely would be if he is going to and added that they are a wonderful Canadian Celtic Sea Band and he is a big fan.

Councilman Dolan stated that his sister goes annually on a cruise with them.

Supervisor Flach asked if there were any other comments.

Councilman Dolan stated that he wanted to bring something up regarding the Water Contract and the issue that may or may not exist regarding the County re-levying the Water Bills. He added that it seems to rest on the fact that the water is residentially unmetered and the County's

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justification for not wanting to reimburse them as expressed in the resolution that they shared and it was that they were basically paying the same rate for an abandoned property that has not used water in many years, as they would be required to pay for a property where someone lived and used water all those years. He continued by saying that sometimes the unmetered water bill in instances where they might not have even used water is higher than what is owed on the County Taxes. He went on by saying that his proposal would be to ask the Village if they are agreeable to charge a lower rate for property that is abandoned for the entire six months that they are billed for. He concluded by saying that he believes that the Village has indicated that they would allow them to facilitate or for them themselves to turn the water off to the property with the exact rate being open to negotiation, which could be maybe ¼ amount of the price.

Councilman Mast asked why it wouldn't be zero.

Councilman Dolan stated that they should pay something because the property has a higher value because they do have access to the water and maybe the only thing that the property has to offer is that there is water and sewer. He added that it would acknowledge that the property is getting value for access to the water and it might solve the problem with the County because the County objected to paying the full amount for a property that didn't consume water at all.

Supervisor Flach stated that another issue that the County spoke to is that if they are going to relevy, they have to at least make a second effort to collect the money and if not paid, the water would be shut off within a certain amount of time. He added that they want to see that steps are being taken to assure that people aren't just blowing it off and reiterated that this was an issue that they had with the County in addition to a little uprising at the Village a couple of weeks ago based on that. He continued by saying that he has had some conversations with the Mayor and they will be meeting with them to discuss the issues and he believes that they have done due diligence in trying to rectify the re-levying of the water bill.

Councilman Dolan asked in the case where the Town tries to collect the money again and says if you don't pay it gets turned off, if they do in fact turn it off, would it satisfy the County.

Supervisor Flach stated that he doesn't know for sure, he thinks that it would according to some conversations that were had with the Attorney and reiterated that they want to see an effort being made and that would be an effort.

Councilman Dolan stated that if they were to turn it off, would they legally not just according to the Village contract but according to the County, ask them to relevy and charge the same amount of money as someone who has their water turned on and available.

Supervisor Flach stated that it is a good question.

Councilman Dolan asked if they shut someone's off, will they still have legal authority to charge them for it or to make them liable.

Town Clerk Millious stated that the Village used to turn off the water for a vacant house but in 2007 they changed it to being the same amount whether vacant or not.

Supervisor Flach stated that they are trying to get it all resolved and it is something that they are working on, he added that they have had some answers thus far but he doesn't think it is completely finished.

Councilman Dolan stated that while the Village is desirous of receiving the full amount regardless of whether the water is shut off or not, it may complicate their ability to have the County relevy the money and get the money back for them. He added that even if they lost out on some money because of that, in the long term they would have the relevy option more available to them.

Supervisor Flach asked if there were any other comments.

Councilman Burns stated that he called Marlene at F.X. Browne and asked how the Hannacroix Creek Project was progressing and she referred him to John Wilhealm at Homeland Security who is working really hard for the Town. He added that FEMA wrote the PO's wrong when the

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storms hit and he is trying to tie them all in to the most recent storm and advised that he needs some kind of documentation that the last storm did even more damage than the original storms. He continued by saying that Code Enforcement Officer Conrad remembers the pile of debris that came down from Rte. 143 where they re-routed the creek and fresh rip rap got washed down and he said it was 20,000 yards of material in a pile, which was gone after the last storm and Mr. Wilhelm said that is exactly what he is looking for and he needs some kind of documentation that it happened. He went on by saying that there supposedly are pictures and reports that he has to locate and in turn send to Mr. Wilhelm who in turn will meet with FEMA. He concluded by saying that things are still on schedule for August but there was an issue with the bats, which is in the hands of the Army Corp of Engineers and he would get in touch with them to see what is going on with the six trees that it entails and reiterated that it still looks like they are going to get something done this year.

Supervisor Flach asked if there were any other comments.

Councilman Masti stated that he had also spoken with Mr. Wilhelm who hadn't heard back on the long eared bats and added that he would like to get the bid out for the work as soon as possible.

Councilman Burns interjected that Marlene had said that as soon as they get the okay it would take her approximately a week.

Councilman Masti stated that they have the original plans for the work and they need to find out if they can actually use them and he believes that they were told they could.

Councilman Burns stated that the little island detail could be added on and this is where the bats come into play because it is where the six trees are and everyone agrees that the island needs to come out.

Councilman Masti interjected that it would complete the job the way it should be done in tying everything in and hopefully they can start working on the upper part and by the time they get close to the island the bat problem will be taken care of and they can finish it off.

Supervisor Flach asked if there were any other comments, hearing none he added that he wanted to thank all of the R-C-S graduates who will be beginning a new chapter in their lives, which will be exciting times for them.

Councilman Dolan interjected that Supervisor Flach's son is graduating.

Supervisor Flach stated that he is and thanked Councilman Dolan for mentioning it. He then offered a motion to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss personnel matters.

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION

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

VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0 – SO MOVED

Time – 8:09 pm

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive Session convened in the Supervisor's Office immediately following adjournment from the Town Board Meeting, the entire Town Board was present in addition to Highway Superintendent Searles to discuss personnel matters, no decisions were made or action taken.

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RECONVENE MEETING AND ADJOURN

MOTION

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

VOTE – AYES 5 – NAYS 0

Time – 8:50pm

Respectfully Submitted,

APPROVED – As Read July 30, 2015


Diane L. Millious, Town Clerk