

Town of Callicoon
Regular Town Board Meeting
Monday, December 14, 2015

The Town Board, Town of Callicoon, County of Sullivan, State of New York, at the Town Hall, Jeffersonville, NY, held a Regular Town Board Meeting on December 14, 2015 at 7:30p.m., with the following present:

Supervisor T. Bose, Councilman D. Kuebler, Councilman C. Schadt, Councilman H. Fuchs, and Councilman S. Gaebel.

Also Present:

Kim Klein, Town Clerk

Joe Anne Baker, Bookkeeper

Kevin Zieres, Code Enforcement Officer

Bonnie Hubert, Assessor

Kris Scullion, Highway Superintendent

Marvin Newberg, Town Attorney

Audience: As Attached

Supervisor Bose called the meeting to order with the Pledge to the Flag at 7:30p.m.

On a motion by Councilman Kuebler, seconded by Councilman Schadt to accept the minutes of the November 9, 2015, Public Hearing. Motion Passed – 5 Ayes.

On a motion by Councilman Kuebler, seconded by Councilman Fuchs to accept the minutes of the November 9, 2015, Regular Town Board Meeting. Motion Passed – 5 Ayes.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

On a motion by Councilman Fuchs, seconded by Councilman Gaebel to accept the Monthly Statement of the Supervisor. Motion Passed – 5 Ayes.

On a motion by Councilman Schadt, seconded by Councilman Gaebel to accept the Town Clerk (\$1,514.05) and Code Enforcement (\$1,120.00) reports as read. Motion Passed – 5 Ayes.

On a motion by Councilman Fuchs, seconded by Councilman Kuebler to pay the bills as follows:

General A Fund	-Vouchers #358-407	\$24,043.98
General B Fund	-Vouchers #44-49	2,336.95
Hwy DA Fund	-Vouchers #139-151	24,780.89
Hwy DB Fund	-Vouchers #45	1,094.30
Water District	-Vouchers #38-43	1,728.47
Capital Project	-Voucher #8	28.43

Motion Passed – 5 Ayes.

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Warrants

On a motion by Councilman Kuebler, seconded by Councilman Gaebel to approve the November Payroll checks #21804 – 21818 & the Direct Deposit in the amount of \$34,023.14. Motion Passed – 5 Ayes.

On a motion by Councilman Fuchs, seconded by Councilman Schadt to approve the November Trust & Agency checks #5151 – 5158 & the Electronic Transfers in the amount of \$219,211.32. Motion Passed – 5 Ayes.

REPORTS

Highway Superintendent, Kris Scullion reports that they have been getting a lot of work done with edging on Hessinger Lare Road and working on ditching. They also have been sanding and painting the plows and working on the Veterans Memorial. He is hopeful that the new truck will be here by the end of the year. They discussed the replacement policy on the smaller trucks sooner due to a tremendous amount of recalls and the fact that they retain their value when newer.

Code Enforcement Officer, Kevin Zieres reports that they completed their mandatory training for the year and they are still working on a lot of permits. He discussed with the Board an issue that came before the Planning Board in regard to AirBnB's, Assembly uses, and Solar Farms which are not listed in the zoning. He believes they should look into updating and modifying the Zoning to allow these in a way to mitigate issues. Fred Fries was present from the Planning Board and they discussed having a workshop with the Planning Board to discuss these issues and address issues already up and running and to assist property owners in compliance.

Public Comment on Agenda Items

No Comment

Business Items

On a motion by Councilman Kuebler, seconded by Councilman Fuchs to approve the end of year transfers. Motion Passed – 5 Ayes.

On a motion by Councilman Kuebler, seconded by Councilman Schadt to approve the Amended 2016 Budget. Motion Passed – 5 Ayes.

On a motion by Councilman Kuebler, seconded by Councilman Fuchs to set January 11, 2015, at 7:30pm as the date for the Organizational Meeting. Motion Passed – 5 Ayes.

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On a motion by Councilman Fuchs, seconded by Councilman Schadt to approve the CSEA Contract for the Highway Department. Motion Passed – 5 Ayes.

On a motion by Councilman Gaebel, seconded by Councilman Fuchs to appoint Debra Thony to the Board of Assessment Review for a five year term 10/1/2015 – 09/30/2020. Motion Passed – 5 Ayes.

On a motion by Councilman Fuchs, seconded by Councilman Gaebel to allow the Town Clerk to place a Legal Ad for Tax Collection. Motion Passed – 5 Ayes.

On a motion by Councilman Fuchs, seconded by Councilman Schadt for Supervisor to send a letter to ask the Governor to continue to fund the Farm Land Protection Program. Motion Passed – 5 Ayes.

On a motion by Councilman Fuchs, seconded by Councilman Kuebler to replace the agreement with Partners in Safety and approve the contract with Youngsville Medical Center for the drug testing for 1 year and approve the consortium amount of \$272.00, provided they show proof of Insurance. Motion Passed – 5 Ayes.

On a motion by Councilman Schadt, seconded by Councilman Kuebler to replace the agreement with Ameripride and accept the proposal with Unifirst. Motion Passed – 5 Ayes.

RES#20-2015, on a motion by Councilman Kuebler, seconded by Councilman Fuchs to approve the adoption of Local Law #3-2015, authorizing the provisions of real property Tax Law Section 4587-a (7) Allowing for the Gold Star Parent Exemption pursuant to RPTL Section 458-a. Roll Call Vote:

Councilman Gaebel – Aye
Councilman Schadt – Aye
Councilman Fuchs – Aye
Councilman Kuebler – Aye
Supervisor Bose – Aye

Motion Passed – 5 Ayes.

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RES#21-2015, on a motion by Councilman Kuebler, seconded by Councilman Gaebel to approve the adoption of Local Law #4-2015, authorizing the increasing the Real Property Tax Exemption Levels for Senior Citizens Pursuant to RPTL Section 467. Roll Call Vote:

Councilman Gaebel – Aye
Councilman Kuebler – Aye
Supervisor Bose – Aye
Councilman Fuchs – Aye
Councilman Schadt – Aye

Motion Passed – 5 Ayes.

Due to the absence of Dennis Finley, Howard Fuchs gave an update on the Veterans Memorial. He noted that the frost wall and footings are in and it is backfilled. We now just need more money to continue so we can purchase the bluestone. To date all the bills are paid and we still have a balance left. He also notes that pavers can be purchased and the flyers have been mailed out. He thanked Jeannie Sager for the article in the Democrat and gave Jim Klein a thank you for the excavation work.

There was a discussion about the damage done to the field at the park by a young man who was doing donuts with his vehicle. There were charges brought against him and the case is still in court.

Public Comment

Public comments included the field damage at the park, code books not in the library, the lack of cable on roads, junk yards, County road 125, code setbacks, dangerous intersections, the garbage fee on the tax bill, and inspections from building inspectors.

The Supervisor advised that they received paperwork from the County and the speed limit in the requested area on Hessinger Lare Road will be reduced from 55mph to 40mph.

On a motion by Councilman Fuchs, seconded by Councilman Gaebel to adjourn the meeting at 8:35pm. Motion Passed – 5 Ayes.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Klein

Town Clerk