

June 16th, 2014

Regular Meeting

Petersburgh Town Board

The regular monthly meeting of the Town of Petersburgh Town Board was held on June 16th at 7:00pm at the Petersburgh Town Hall, 65 Main Street, Petersburgh, New York

Present: Supervisor Siegfried Krahforst
Councilperson Jack Barnhill,
Councilperson Denise Church
Councilperson Neil Geary
Councilperson Alan Webster
Deputy Town Clerk 1 Deidra Michaels
Code Enforcement Officer Martin Conboy
Vice Chairperson Planning Board Tim Church

Guests: Jane Wesley, Katie Dastoli, Ariel Gilbert, Sherry Kluck, Cindi Mars, Teresa Berschwinger, Joan Buzerak, Matt Atwater, Sean O'Donovan, Priscilla Maxon, Tom Berry, Katie Fiske, Doris Perks, Eugene Kluck, Stephen Owen, Jeane Farland, Sharon Hodges, Ann Crisp, Brigitta Schmidt.

Press: Alex Brooks, the Eastwick Press

Call to order: Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Supervisor Krahforst called the meeting to order at 6:58 PM.

PUBLIC ADDRESS

Tom Berry – Gave a speech about his FOIL requests have help the town. How he did all the research on Gravel, Fuel, all the ways in which he feels we can be saving, how he helped get an audit, the information in regard to the Transfer Station, and let the residence know he was going to run for Town Council in November.

Supervisor wishes he did not do it in a negative way or a confrontational way that he is going about bringing City policies to a small town. Have been working diligent. It takes research and time. He would like to have a more open communication between the Town Board and Mr. Berry. There are still a lot of open issues that take time.

Youth Committee Presentation

Joan Burzerak, Cindy Mars youth director, Ariel Gilbert vice director, Theresa Berschwinger counselor, Josh Roderick Jr. Counselor, Sherry Kluck, to let the board know and the public do with a brief explanation on what part the Summer Youth Program plays in the public.

Sherry Kluck – Letter to the Editor 2009 felt about the Youth Program, read article. A counselor and a counselor in training works with group of 10 – 11 Children.

Joan Burzerak – Thank Ziggy for revitalizing the YC, PVMCC and other groups have fundraised and contributed a lot to keep program going. Would like to see committee grow and continue to be a part of the community. Looking forward to working with the committee. Talked with PVMCC and where pleased with the community support. Would like the town to put them back in the budget for next year.

Sherry Kluck – Plans for the future, 20 -35 children swim program has not been able to accommodate the program. Spend hours trying to locate a new place but was able to. Hoping to go back to HF for swim program for next year. In place of swim program, looking into field trips, 4 weeks for field trips and educational programs. Expanding the food program, Breakfast Program for the kids as well. Sharon Hodges will collaborate with the program. Cannot do it this year and will check into it next year. Doing Stephentown as a trial run.

Correction for Special Meeting - A mistake was made the \$500 training was not for the training, It was for the payment of the current Register.

APPROVAL OF TOWN MINUTES

Need to make correction in the minutes,

On motion of Councilperson Denise Church, the following approval of minutes for last month's minutes. Councilperson Neil Geary seconded such motion, and roll call showed the following results:

Supervisor Siegfried Krahforst	AYE
Councilperson Jack Barnhill	AYE
Councilperson Denise Jacon Church	AYE
Councilperson Neil Geary	AYE
Councilperson Alan Webster	AYE

Supervisor Krahforst declared that the foregoing approval was duly accepted.

Siegfried – Hoosick Falls wants our support in getting a grant. Will send a letter that states we are in favor of the helping with the pool.

GRAVEL AND SAND BIDS

O'Donovan Sand and Gravel placed a bid

Item 1: Run-of-Bank Gravel (Price per Cubic Yard by Vendor)	\$5.30
Item 2: Processed Road Base Gravel (Price per Cubic Yard loaded by vendor)	\$7.10
Item 3: Ice Control Sand (Price per Cubic Yard loaded by vendor)	\$7.50

Item 4: Trucking Rates for Gravel:

0 – 5 Miles Bank to Delivery Site	\$ 4.50 per Cubic Yard-Mile
5 -10 Miles Bank to Delivery Site	\$ 5.50 per Cubic Yard-Mile
Over 10 Miles Bank to Delivery Site	\$ 8.00 per Cubic Yard-Mile

Item 5: Ice Control Sand Delivered to Specific Location

a. Petersburg Highway Garage	\$12.00 per Cubic Yard Delivered
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Bank is licensed for operation by the NYSDEC. Permit # 40521 Ex. July 19, 2016

Sean O'Donovan filled out a Non-Collusion Form at start of meeting.

Hammersmith Gravel Mine placed a bid.

Item 1: Run-of-Bank Gravel (Price per Cubic Yard by Vendor)	\$5.35
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Item 2: Processed Road Base Gravel (Price per Cubic Yard loaded by vendor)	\$7.15
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Item 3: Ice Control Sand (Price per Cubic Yard loaded by vendor)	\$7.75
(Price per Ton)	\$9.50

Item 4: Trucking Rates for Gravel:

0 – 5 Miles Bank to Delivery Site	\$ 5.00 per Cubic Yard-Mile
5 -10 Miles Bank to Delivery Site	\$ 6.00 per Cubic Yard-Mile
Over 10 Miles Bank to Delivery Site	\$ 7.00 per Cubic Yard-Mile

Item 5: Ice Control Sand Delivered to Specific Location

a. Petersburg Highway Garage	\$00.00 per Cubic Yard Delivered
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Bank is licensed for operation by the NYSDEC. Permit # MLF# 40843 Ex. June 2016

William J. Hammersmith filled out a Non-Collusion Form at start of meeting.

William Hammersmith submitted a Quality Test Report

On a motion made by Supervisor Krahforst to accept both bids made by the Gravel Companies.

A decision was then made to go into Executive Session to discuss some matters.

Board adjourned into Executive Session at 7:46 pm to discuss Gravel Bids. 8:50

Upon returning from Executive Session Councilperson Geary made a motion to accept both bids with an agreement that O'Donovan submits a sieve analysis quality report. Councilperson Church seconded this motion.

Supervisor Siegfried Krahforst	AYE
Councilperson Jack Barnhill	AYE
Councilperson Denise Jacon Church	AYE
Councilperson Neil Geary	AYE
Councilperson Alan Webster	AYE

Lawn Mowing Bids

Above and Beyond Landscaping - Darel Manchester - \$2500 for municipal complex cannot maintain the cemeteries.

Town Board thought that this bid was too high for the amount that he was willing to mow.

On a motion made by Councilman Barnhill and Seconded by Councilman Webster the Board decided to place an ad for more lawn mowing bids.

Supervisor Siegfried Krahforst	AYE
Councilperson Jack Barnhill	AYE
Councilperson Denise Jacon Church	AYE
Councilperson Neil Geary	AYE
Councilperson Alan Webster	AYE

Send Darel a letter rejecting bid.

REPORTS

Town Clerk: Deidra Michaels provided copies of the Town Clerk Monthly Report to the Board. Deputy Town Clerk informed the board that the report was not an accurate account and that they were working on it and should have it ready for approval at the next Town Board Meeting.

Superintendent of Highways: Supervisor Harrison was not present so no report was made.

Supervisor: Siegfried Krahforst presented the monthly Supervisor's Report to the Board. The report showed \$74,468.67 Received, \$101,670.08 Disbursed, leaving a balance on hand of \$411,433.36. This report is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

Board of Ethics: Chairperson Deidra Michaels presented the board with her reports.

Historian: Historian Schaaphok was not present at the meeting so no report was made.

Building Inspector: Code Enforcement Officer Martin Convoy reported 9 Building Permits issued for a total of \$ 514.00 and 1 Demolition Permit was issued for a total of \$ 25.00.

Planning Board: Vice-Chairperson Tim church stated they were in the process of a site plan with Taconic, scheduled meeting on Monday 30, 2014, site plan review.

PVMCC: Jeanne Farland asked the Town Board to review and sign the Use Agreement.

On a motion made by Councilperson Church and seconded by Councilperson Barnhill, the Board accepted and signed the Use Agreement

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Councilperson Jack Barnhill	AYE
Councilperson Denise Jacon Church	AYE
Councilperson Neil Geary	AYE
Councilperson Alan Webster	AYE

Dog Control Officer: Dog Control Officer Lynn Torello reported that the Brock Case is ongoing. A ticket was issued for court.

Water District: Water District Supervisor Ben Krahforst was not present at meeting so no report was made.

OLD BUSINESS

Revisions of Local Laws per Town Law Committee: Laws being reviewed by the laws and Local laws, Public Hearing with local laws 1 & 2. Sent information to the attorney and takes time. We have to enforce it a greater level. Questionable by enforcement. July 7th, at Public Hearing. Title 19 Section 1203 executive law 18. Sample local law. Building Code. Making the local law with what the state requires but and it progresses with the State Law. Put link on the website. To the state.

103 Mill Yard Road: Late spring and summer building would be taken down. Resident complaint and lists of residents' concerns, Building Inspector will get guidelines and so he may enter the building.

Members Needed: still looking for one Planning Board. Chelsey Jordan applied for planning board secretary position.

On a motion made by Councilperson Geary and seconded by Councilperson Webster, the Board accepted the application by Chelsey Jordan for Planning Board Secretary.

Supervisor Siegfried Krahforst	AYE
Councilperson Jack Barnhill	AYE
Councilperson Denise Jacon Church	AYE
Councilperson Neil Geary	AYE
Councilperson Alan Webster	AYE

Transfer Station: Supervisor Krahforst was hoping to have this report ready but is still working out the figures.

Revisions of Local Law per Town Law Committee – Town Law Chairperson Vivian Conboy provided a list of Town laws for revisions. The Town Board will continue to work on these with the advice from the Town Attorney.

Advertising of Bids for Emergency Contractors – Supervisor does not feel we should put it up for advertisement. He picked the names out of the local telephone directory that does this kind of work. He used the Directors from the local area to Stephentown to Hoosick Falls. He came up with eleven names. Requested by email to addition and emission. Jack added someone. Board Okayed, Ann Sent letters out. Got one response. Duane T Goodermote. Does not feel that we should waste the money in advertising because it is an emergency basis. Table until the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION # 41 . TRANSFER OF FUNDS

The Board is asked to authorize the bookkeeper to transfer the amount of \$1,500 from the Youth Program Contractual Expense (#A7310.4) to the Youth Program Personal Services Fund (#A7310.1) for salaries. For any amount over the allotted \$3,000 in the Youth Program Personal Services Fund required for payment of salaries, the Supervisor is empowered to pay such amount and the Youth Commission will reimburse the Town out of their funds raised for the purpose of running the summer program.

On motion made by Councilperson Church and a seconded by Councilperson Geary, the Board has passed the Resolution to Transfer the Funds and roll call showed the following results:

Supervisor Siegfried Krahforst	AYE
Councilperson Jack Barnhill	AYE
Councilperson Denise Jacon Church	AYE
Councilperson Neil Geary	AYE
Councilperson Alan Webster	AYE

Supervisor Krahforst declared that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted.

RESOLUTION #42. RESIGNATION OF BRIGITTA SCHMIDT AS ACTING TOWN CLERK

The Board is asked to accept the resignation of Brigitta Schmidt as Acting Town Clerk.

On motion of Councilperson Church, the following resolution was adopted. Be it resolved that the Board hereby approve to accept the resignation of Brigitta Schmidt as Acting Town Clerk. Councilman Neil seconded such motion, and roll call showed the following results:

Supervisor Siegfried Krahforst	AYE
Councilperson Jack Barnhill	AYE
Councilperson Denise Jacon Church	AYE
Councilperson Neil Geary	AYE
Councilperson Alan Webster	AYE

Supervisor Krahforst declared that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted.

RESOLUTION # 43 . TO ACCEPT DEPUTY TOWN CLERK

The Board is asked to accept the appointment of Brigitta Schmidt as Deputy Town Clerk 2.

On motion of Councilperson Church, the following resolution was adopted. Be it resolved that the Board has hereby appointed Brigitta Schmidt as Deputy Town Clerk 2. Councilperson Geary seconded this motion.

Supervisor Siegfried Krahforst	AYE
Councilperson Jack Barnhill	AYE
Councilperson Denise Jacon Church	AYE
Councilperson Neil Geary	AYE
Councilperson Alan Webster	AYE

Supervisor Krahforst declared that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted.

RESOLUTION # 44. RETURN CHECK POLICY

The Board is asking to adopt a policy to charge a fee of \$25.00 for any and all returned checks to be paid by the issuer of the check.

On motion of Councilperson Barnhill, the following resolution was adopted. Be it resolved that the Board hereby approve to adopt the Return Check Policy to charge \$25.00 for any and all returned checks to be paid by the issuer of the check. Councilperson Webster seconded such motion, and roll call showed the following results:

Supervisor Siegfried Krahforst	AYE
Councilperson Jack Barnhill	AYE
Councilperson Denise Jacon Church	AYE
Councilperson Neil Geary	AYE
Councilperson Alan Webster	AYE

Supervisor Krahforst declared that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted.

RESOLUTION # 45. EMERGENCY PLAN

The Board is asked to approve the following Chain of Command in case of a catastrophic event in the Town. The Supervisor would declare emergency. If Supervisor is not available, the Deputy Supervisor would be in charge, followed by the Fire Chief.

On motion of Councilperson Barnhill, the following resolution was adopted. Be it resolved that the Board hereby approve to adopt the Emergency Plan. Councilperson Church seconded such motion, and roll call showed the following results:

Supervisor Siegfried Krahforst	AYE
Councilperson Jack Barnhill	AYE
Councilperson Denise Jacon Church	AYE
Councilperson Neil Geary	AYE
Councilperson Alan Webster	AYE

Supervisor Krahforst declared that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted.

*** Send notices to the above persons. ****

RESOLUTION # 46. ABANDONED PROPERTIES

The Board is asked to approve a resolution to support the New York State Legislator and the Attorney General to require mortgage holders, such as banks and institutions, to maintain abandoned properties.

On motion of Councilperson Webster, the following resolution was adopted. Be it resolved that the Board hereby approve to adopt The above Abandoned Properties resolution. Councilperson Barnhill seconded such motion, and roll call showed the following results:

Supervisor Siegfried Krahforst	AYE
Councilperson Jack Barnhill	AYE
Councilperson Denise Jacon Church	AYE
Councilperson Neil Geary	AYE
Councilperson Alan Webster	AYE

Supervisor Krahforst declared that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted.

Denise drafting a letter to the state legislation.

RESOLUTION # 47. Audit of Bills: 6/14 Audit of Bills started 9:00 pm until 9:33 pm

General #100 - #126:	\$ 9,868.86
Highway #73 - #93:	\$11,076.61
Light District #SL1 - #SL2:	\$ 941.59

Water District #17:	\$ 190.67
Library #L39 - #L46:	\$ 3,445.31

Adjourn: A motion to adjourn was made by Councilperson Barnhill and was seconded by Councilperson Church. 9:38 pm.

Supervisor Siegfried Krahforst	AYE
Councilman Jack Barnhill	AYE
Councilwoman Denise Jacon Church	AYE
Councilman Neil Geary	AYE
Councilman Alan Webster	AYE

Respectfully Submitted,

Deidra A. Michaels, Deputy Town Clerk 1

****Minutes Approved July 21st, 2014****