

TOWN OF HIGHLAND  
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING  
ELDRED TOWN HALL  
MAY 10, 2016

PRESENT        SUPERVISOR JEFF HAAS  
                  COUNCILMAN JAMES GUTEKUNST  
                  COUNCILMAN FRED BOSCH  
                  COUNCILMAN SCOTT HALLOCK

ALSO PRESENT DEPUTY TOWN CLERK ALICE FOSTER

Supervisor calls meeting to order.

Flag Salute

Roll call, Supervisor Haas states Councilman Hanson has been called away on business.

MOTION BY Councilman Hallock to approve the Town Clerk minutes dated April 12, 2016 seconded by Councilman Bosch discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Bosch to approve the December Financial seconded by Councilman Hallock discussion motion carried all ayes.

CORRESPONDENCE

Received and read Constable monthly report.

Received and read American Legion Ambulance Service Report

Received and read Yulan Fire Dept. monthly report.

Received and read Highland Lake Fire Dept. monthly report

HIGHWAY

No Report

SUPERVISOR REPORT

Supervisor Haas states we have our Clean Up on Saturday and the County is having an issue with e-waste which is televisions, computer's hard drives, answering machine, towers, speaker, monitor are considering e-waste which the DEC considers hazardous material. The County is no longer accepted e-waste because the vender that they are using is over supplied and can no longer store materiel any longer he has run out of room. Of our constituents can bear with Sullivan County, they say they will have the situation resolved in two month. We are going to hold them to that date. The Highway Dept. and the Sullivan County DPW is not obligated and cannot pick up e-waste and the DEC has classified as hazardous materiel material and Highway and SCDPW are not classified in hazardous materials. Supervisor Haas states that coming out of our Zoning Task Force, Dave Kuebler the Town CEO and Building Inspector was at the meeting and he was expounding upon the unsightly dwelling and residences. Dave would like the Town Board to step forward with and initiative for folks to clean up their residences, house, residence and business. The Highland Board wants to develop an initiate for beautifying the Town and several clean up are needed, he has identified at least 18 residences right now and we would like the enforcement in earnest July1, 2016, compliance letters will go out to people will know they are in violation. We are not going to start with enforcement of it until July 1, 2016 where you will be issued a summons or ticket.

Councilman Hallock states we are trying to educate the people and let them know that this is coming about and the Town Board has agreed to enforce law that has been in place for a while. Dave Kuebler has been beating his head against the wall with certain people, nothing is being done. We want to let

the people know it is coming and that we will be enforcing the law July 1 and we will move forward with the next step if things aren't done.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

No Comment

#### EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Councilman Hallock states he will be attending a meeting on June 10, 2016 for Emergency Action Plan on the Cannonsville, Downsville and Neversink Dams.

#### BUILDING

Councilman Bosch states minor maintenance is being done and we had a water test at Court House and everything is fine.

#### BEAUTIFICATION / RENAISSANCE.

Arnold Gruel states Jim Hanson, Tony LaRuffa and Scotty Greenberger have been cleaning and planting in Yulan and tomorrow in Barryville the Renaissance will be meeting to work on the medium on the corner of 97 and 55.

#### WEBSITE

Councilman Gutekunst states I am working with Brian Siegel who is on the School Board to talk about the Town of Highland and the highlights of the School.

#### ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT

Carol Roig states we had a meeting April 23, 2016, the discussed solar energy for private properties. Carol states she will meet with Doreen to get the energy information from 2007.

#### 911 HEROES PARK

Supervisor Haas states we had a meeting and Andy is very concerned about the water running off the County Highway and into the grass and into the CEO office and puddling into monument. Andy is going to get in touch with the paver and ask them to level the paver and install the new pavers. Tom Ebers, Tom Donnelly and I met and we are developing a plan to catch the water and eliminate the ice and sand from coming into the park. We also developed a plan for the WWI plaque to install the plaque on walkway into the CEO Office.

#### UDC

Supervisor Haas states The Town of Highland received a grant for the River Clean Up.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Councilman Gutekunst states in the resolution we passed outlawing the Compressor Station we recommended a health impact assessment which Millennium has agreed to fund. We sent letter to Louis Alvarez requesting that the health study be independent and when they start the healthy study they stop the clock on the preliminary process until the health study is done. The other two letters went to FERC and the President of Millennium regarding and open meeting with Millennium.

Supervisor Boyar states in reference to the Barryville Post Office I spoke to Alan Hocchauser and tells us the Post Office is in the process of installing new equipment and he was hoping they would be open on or about June 1.

MOTION BY Councilman Hallock to approve the 2015 points list of all volunteer ambulance workers the American Legion Ambulance Squad seconded by Councilman Bosch discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Gutekunst to approve the audited Abstract #5 claims 135 to 135 in the amount of \$8,658.19 seconded by Councilman Hallock discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Gutekunst to approve the audited Highway Abstract # 5 claims 52 to 62 in the amount \$35,698.86 seconded by Councilman Hallock discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Gutekunst to approve the audited Street Lights Abstract #5 in the amount of \$152.56 seconded by Councilman Hallock discussion motion carried all ayes.

Motion by Councilman Hallock to go into executive session for reasons of personnel with the Constable Dept. seconded by Councilman Gutekunst motion carried all ayes.

Motion by Councilman Hallock to adjourn seconded by Councilman Bosch discussion motion carried all ayes.  
Respectively submitted

Doreen Hanson