

TOWN OF HIGHLAND
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
ELDRED TOWN HALL
AUGUST 9, 2016

PRESENT Supervisor Jeff Barnes
Councilman Fred Bosch
Councilman Scott Hallock
Councilman James Hanson

Also Present Attorney to Town Michael Davidoff
Highway Superintendent Tom Ebers
Town Clerk Doreen Hanson

Supervisor calls meeting to order

Flag Salute

Roll call, Councilman Gutekunst absent.

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

MOTION BY Councilman Hallock to approve the July Financial seconded by Councilman Hanson discussion motion carried all ayes

Special Presentation from Michael Brian Sherwood who would like to propose his Eagle Scout Project which is to restore the Eagle at the Park in Eldred.

CORRESPONDENCE

Received and read letter from Barryville Chamber of Commerce in reference to Pumpkin Fest.

Received and read letter form TCH at Barryville N.Y. Inc. informing Board of their intention to renew liquor license.

Received and read letter from The Delaware Company of NY, Inc. asking for support in the installation of a permanent memorial naming our areas' first veterans at the Minisink Battleground Park.

Received and read letter form The Knights of Columbus inviting the Board and Town to the Blue Mass on 09/11/2016.

Received and read HLF D monthly report

Received and read YFD monthly report

Received and read American Legion monthly report.

Received and read Constable monthly report.

Received and read monthly report from the Sunshine Library.

REPORTS

Highway Superintendent Tom Ebers states routine work.

SUPERVISOR

Supervisor Haas states it has been a very busy month, budget letters have gone out to Town Department Heads, as well as committees and organizations that request funds from the Town of Highland. The State Controller has issued a decree that Towns and our budget request is to come in .67% or lower or it will be have to be over ridden by the majority of the Board by 60% of the Board. We are going to work diligently to achieve that goal but it is quite realistic to me to reach that goal. We will be scheduling budget workshop session to bring in a decent budget.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Comment

COMMUNITY PLANING AND SENIORS

Councilman Bosch states the new temperature control at the Senior Center is working and we had some compliments of how great the temperature is, but we also had some comments that it is very dark outside how can we improve the lighting.

YOUTH AND PARK DEVELOPMENT

Rebecca Morabito states she has 43 children and many compliments of the program.

GRANTS

Supervisor Haas states at last month meeting I received permission to apply for some grant. We have applied for a Grant for a Highway Shop from Climate Smart Program and try to piggy back a grant from Senator Bonacec also. We are going to apply for a Grant from the UDC for to update the zoning.

Buildings

Councilman Bosch states he Carol Roig, John Bach and Steve Stuart went to Court House and looked at the Court House to increase energy savings.

BEAUTIFICATION

Councilman Hanson states we cleaned up the area on the corner of RT 55 and RT 97 we saved some of the flowers and bushes. We put in river rocks in place of mulch, the Renaissance Group that came before us did a great job, we are trying to figure out how to maintain it and Councilman Hallock suggested the river stone.

Councilman Hallock states Randy Sauschuk brought up the stone and hasn't given us a bill, I had my guys there, four or five people came over and said it looked good.

CONSTABLES

Mike Walton Chief of Patrol states we have hired two new Constable and this evening I would like to introduce Steve Milisaukas. John Arias is at school and could not be here tonight.

RIVER ROAD BEACH

Dorene Warner states I think we need some signage for the beach.

Supervisor Haas states we will work on that and glad to hear there are no parking issues.

UDC.

Dorene Warner gives report on two Tag Grants one for a Building Permit Pamphlet and on the Monarch Butterflies.

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Haas states we will wait to adopt the Solar when we redo the Zoning by recommendation of the Town Attorney.

MOTION BY Councilman Hallock to send a letter to NYC Department of Environment Protection Acting Commissioner Mr. Vincent Sapienza in Support for an Early Warning System for Reservoir Related Emergencies, seconded by Councilman Hanson discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Hallock to support the Delaware company of NY to seek Grants for the purpose of install a Permanent Marker at the Minisink Battle Ground Park memorializing the name of the 46 American Patriots who died during the July 22,1779 Battle of Minisink seconded by Councilman Bosch discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Hanson to approve Michael Sherwood to do his Eagle Scout project and restore the Eagle at the Eldred Park seconded by Councilman Hallock discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Hallock to approve the content of the Guide to Permits seconded by Councilman Hanson discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Bosch to approve the Town Board be Lead Agency for Local Law # 2-2016 seconded by Councilman Hallock discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Bosch to approve a negative declaration for SEQR for Local Law # 2-2016 seconded by Councilman Hallock discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Hallock to approve Local Law #2-2016 a local law amending Town of Highland Zoning Code Chapter 190-2 Definitions and Town of Highland Code Chapter 130, Parking seconded by Councilman Hanson discussion motion carried all ayes.

Motion by Councilman Hallock to approve the audited General Abstract # 8 claims 229 to 272 in the amount of \$14,267.79 seconded by Councilman Bosch discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Hallock to approve the audited Highway Abstract #8 claims 91 to 103 in the amount of \$64,772.46 seconded by Councilman Hanson discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Hallock to approve the Street Light Abstract # 8 claim

#8 in the amount of \$148.20 seconded by Councilman Bosch discussion motion carried all ayes

Motion by Councilman Hallock to go into Executive session seconded by Councilman Hanson discussion motion carried all ayes

Motion by Councilman Hallock to come out of Executive session seconded by Councilman Bosch seconded by Councilman Bosch discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Hanson to recess Town Board Meeting until time meetings can be set with Planners to go over our Town Zoning Code seconded by Councilman Hallock discussion motion carried all ayes.

Respectively submitted

Doreen Hanson, Town Clerk