

**TOWN OF DEERPARK
TOWN BOARD MEETING
TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2015**

Invocation by Alan Schock (Participation Optional)

Attendance

Supervisor: Gary Spears

Councilmember's: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Arthur Trovei (arrived at 1:15 p.m.)

Pledge of Allegiance by Councilman Dean

Call to Order at 1:00 p.m.

Presentations/Communications – None

Additions or Deletions to Agenda – None

Public Comment Period – None

Motion to Approve November 16, 2015 and December 7, 2015 Board Minutes

Motion by Ken Smith, 2nd by David Dean to approve the November 16, 2015 and December 7, 2015 Board Minutes as written.

VOTE: 4 AYES: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Old Business – None

New Business

Supervisor Spears mentioned last year the Dog Control Officer was working with the Walden Humane Society and now they are entering back into a contract with the Port Jervis/Deerpark Humane Society with a contract that is a little bit more per dog, but they have no travel and no up front. They want to save money and stay local so the residents don't have to go to Walden to pick up their dogs. He read the resolution.

Motion to Adopt Resolution 20 of 2015 – Port Jervis/Deerpark Humane Society Contract

Motion by Alan Schock, 2nd by Ken Smith to adopt Resolution 20 of 2015 – Port Jervis/Deerpark Humane Society Contract.

Discussion: Councilman Dean said this was a good development because they had a problem with the Humane Society price was and they went to Walden and that worked for a while. Now they are back home and he knew they would keep a close eye on the costs involved here. He thought this was a good move and was happy to see this. Supervisor Spears said Susan Beecher is the head of it and they did some negotiations with Mrs. Vicaretti.

VOTE: 4 AYES (Roll Call): Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Accept Letter of Resignation from TOD Tax Collector – Jane Garvey

Motion by David Dean, 2nd by Ken Smith to regrettably accept the letter of resignation from TOD Tax Collector-Jane Garvey.

VOTE: 4 AYES: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Spears asked the Town Clerk how long she served and Ms. Santini responded 13 years. He then asked the Town Clerk to send her a letter of congratulations on her retirement and their thankfulness for her service.

Motion to Appoint Patrick M. Creegan as Tax Collector for 2016

Motion by Gary Spears, 2nd by Alan Schock to appoint Patrick M. Creegan as Tax Collector for 2016.

VOTE: 4 AYES: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

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Motion to Accept Letter of Retirement – Nathan Degraw

Motion by Ken Smith, 2nd by Alan Schock to accept the letter of retirement from Nathan Degraw of the Highway Department after 26 years, effective December 25, 2015.

VOTE: 4 AYES: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Spears asked Ed Hughson, Highway Superintendent to pass on to Nathan Degraw they wished him well in his retirement and thank him for all his years of service.

Councilman Trovei arrived at 1:15 p.m.

Motion to Accept Budget Modifications for General Fund as Presented

Motion by David Dean, 2nd by Alan Schock to accept the budget modifications for General Fund as presented.

General Fund

Increases:

Expenditures:

1220.1	Supervisor – Personal Services	\$	1,100	
1220.4	Supervisor – Contractual		500	
1670.4	Central Printing & Mailing – Contractual		2,000	
1910.4	Unallocated Insurance		8,000	
3010.4	Public Safety Admin – Contractual		200	
3620.4	Safety Inspection – Contractual		500	
5182.4	Street Lighting – Contractual		5,000	
6772.41	Senior Shuttle		1,500	
7510.4	Historical – Contractual		<u>2,400</u>	
	Total Increase in Expenditures		21,200	

Decreases:

Expenditures:

1990	Contingency		<u>21,200</u>	
	Total Decrease in Expenditures		21,200	

Net Increase (Decrease) in Budget

\$ _____

VOTE: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Arthur Trovei, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Accept Budget Modifications for Highway Fund as Presented

Motion by Arthur Trovei, 2nd by Ken Smith to accept the budget modifications for Highway Fund as presented.

Highway Fund

Increases:

Expenditures:

8760.4	Emergency Disaster Work	\$	40,000	
	Total Increase in Expenditures		<u>40,000</u>	

Increases:

Revenues:

4960	Federal Aid		<u>40,000</u>	
	Total Increase in Revenues		40,000	

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Florence Santini, Town Clerk reported that the Holiday Decoration Contest was judged by Pat Creegan and herself on a Friday night and they looked at 13 houses, the most they have ever had enter the contest. They had eight residents were awarded prizes, provided by eight local businesses. The Board also gave out a prize. It was so nice driving around the town and seeing all the houses decorated. She will post pictures on the website.

Supervisor Spears thanked Flo for all she does and wished everyone a happy new year.

Motion to Adjourn at 1:27 p.m.

Motion by Arthur Trovei, 2nd by David Dean to adjourn the meeting at 1:27 p.m.

VOTE: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, Arthur Trovei, David Dean, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted by,

Florence T. Santini
Town Clerk