

**TOWN OF DEERPARK
TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2018**

Meeting was held at Town Hall, 420 Route 209, Huguenot, New York 12746

Invocation led by Arthur Trovei (Participation Optional)

Supervisor: Gary Spears

Councilmen: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Arthur Trovei

Attorney: Glen Plotsky

Engineer: Al Fusco, Jr.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Dave Dean

Call to Order at 7:32 p.m.

Addition or Deletions to Agenda

Motion to Add Change to the CDBG Contract and P/T Data Collector 2 under New Business on Agenda

Motion by Gary Spears, 2nd by Ken Smith to add the change to the CDBG Contract and add the P/T Data Collector 2 under New Business on the Agenda.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Presentations/Communications

George Ewing of the Port Jervis Ambulance gave an update. He provided a handout on what he presented. When George took over January, 2017 the Port Jervis Ambulance was \$80,000 in the hole. He is happy to say they closed out the year \$50,000 in the positive. They are increasing the volunteer base. They have a third ambulance and got it from Watertown, New York. It is a 2008 Ambulance with 100,000 miles for \$4,500.00. They are working on fundraisers for the year. Their next Board Meeting is the upcoming Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. The next General Membership Meeting is the upcoming Friday at 7:00 or 7:30 p.m. They have been extraordinarily busy. In January, they were dispatched to 195 calls and responded to 186 of them. In four days of February, they are up to 30 calls.

Supervisor Spears read the letter from the Upper Delaware Scenic Byway thanking the Town of Deerpark for their \$1,000 municipal contribution received on January 24, 2018.

Public Comment Period – None

Motion to Approve the January 3, 2018 Board Minutes

Motion by Ken Smith, 2nd by David Dean to approve the January 3, 2018 Board Minutes.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Approve the January 18, 2018 Board Minutes

Motion by Ken Smith, 2nd by David Dean to approve the January 18, 2018 Board Minutes.

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

1 ABSTENTION: Arthur Trovei

MOTION CARRIED

Old Business

Al Fusco, Jr. of Fusco Engineering provided an update on three properties of unsafe/dangerous structures. He said that property on 2 Piatt Drive (22-1-47) and 6 Piatt Drive (22-1-45) are both in the same condition. They have two unlicensed cars and one licensed car there. They appeared to get rid of most of the cat dishes and cat litter and that appears to be a little better. His understanding is that the property is under new management or new ownership. Supervisor Spears said he received information that day from the Assessor that the county is now the owner of both properties. He said regarding the property at 1045 US Route 209 (22-1-43), Ms. Kristopherson had cleaned up a little bit, with some debris, but the windows are boarded up in the front, there is a broken window in the back and the porch is still short of precarious—a little dangerous in the back as well. All three of the properties are a little better than a year ago.

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Supervisor Spears preferred extending this decision out another two months due to the weather, then see if the county has actually talked to John McCarey to see if they are going to do anything.

Motion to Extend Action on Dangerous Buildings Two Months

Motion by Gary Spears, 2nd by Arthur Trovei to extend any action on the dangerous buildings (2 Piatt Drive, 6 Piatt Drive and 1045 US Route 209) until April 16th for further discussion and action.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Extend Local Law #2 of 2017 – Creating a Moratorium of Development, Creation or Construction of Multi-Family Uses

Motion by Gary Spears, 2nd by Arthur Trovei to extend Local Law #2 of 2017 – Creating a Moratorium of Development, Creation or Construction of Multi-Family Uses for another three-month extension, beginning now and run until the Board Meeting on May 7, 2018.

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

MOTION CARRIED

New Business

Motion to Adopt Resolution 3 of 2018 – Authorizing Supervisor to Sign the Amended Urban County Cooperated Agreement

Motion by Ken Smith, 2nd by Alan Schock to adopt Resolution 3 of 2018 authorizing the Supervisor to Sign the Amended Urban County Cooperated Agreement. (Copy is attached to the official minutes.)

VOTE: 5 AYES (Roll Call): Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Arthur Trovei, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Authorize the Supervisor to Sign the 2018 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) – Resolution 5 of 2018

Motion by Ken Smith, 2nd by Alan Schock to authorize the Supervisor to sign the 2018 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) - Resolution 5 of 2018, to work on Sleepy Hollow contract.

VOTE: 5 AYES (Roll Call): Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Arthur Trovei, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Approve Resolution 4 of 2018 – Town of Deerpark Work Day Requirement Reporting

Motion by Gary Spears, 2nd by Ken Smith to approve Resolution 4 of 2018 – Town of Deerpark Work Day Requirement Reporting.

Discussion: Councilman Dean asked if you apply for this retirement. Supervisor Spears said they were all in the system and this is a validation that you have actually done work, which is needed for most government employees, that you have to validate that you've done some work. You record all the meetings, phone calls, emails with constituents, which is all part of your duties and record them on a calendar. Florence Santini added that employees punch a time clock, but elected officials don't and the state has come down hard on those in the retirement system. Supervisor Spears said that everyone is in the system and is eligible, but if they don't supply the information they may be kicked out of it.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Appoint P/T Data Collector 2

Motion by Arthur Trovei, 2nd by Alan Schock to appoint Louis Taliento as P/T Data Collector 2 at \$12.50 an hour up to 20 hours.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Appropriations, Budget and Payment of Bills

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Motion to Pay Bills

Motion by Ken Smith, 2nd by Alan Schock to pay bills that have been signed by three council members and accept and the Budget Officer's Report and all may be viewed in the Town Clerk's Office.

General Fund Abstract #2 of 2018 in the amount of \$991,079.09

Highway Fund Abstract #2 of 2018 in the amount of \$85,305.35

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

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Spears asked Flo Santini if all the fire districts were paid and she confirmed they were. The supervisor mentioned the audit meeting with all the department heads that handle money went well. They talked about storage and they have replaced the wooden door with a glass window for a steel door; they took out a window and sealed up the wall and put bars on the windows in the old Tax Office. The Highway guys did all the work and did a fantastic job. He will work with Flo to clean out the room and get that redone. Flo has asked Jim Burpoe from the county for used files and shelves.

Closing Board Comments

David Dean heard at the last UDC meeting that the state has finally agreed and the funding is available for them to cut the trees and brush away from the Hawks Nest. That does not include any graffiti remediation. The Upper Delaware Council (UDC) received funding from the federal government from the National Parks Service. They have not received their stipend. It's critical for the staff. Their secretary turned in her notice, unable to wait for the money to be released. The money literally belongs to the UDC, they might survive three months and if they don't get the funding, the UDC will need to shut down.

Arthur Trovei had no comments at this time.

Ken Smith commented on the good news from the Port Jervis Ambulance Company.

Alan Schock had no comments at this time.

Gary Spears said they are getting the room done and they are going to the city soon for training and hopefully it will come in handy for the work ahead of them. He appreciates working with the men.

Motion to Enter Executive Session to Discuss Litigations, Tax Certioraris, Possible Real Property Purchase at 8:30 p.m.

Motion by David Dean, 2nd by Ken Smith to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing litigations, tax certioraris, and a possible real property purchase after a recess at 8:30 p.m. and will invite in Glen Plotsky.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Re-enter Regular Session at 9:55 p.m.

Motion by Alan Schock, 2nd by Arthur Trovei to re-enter Regular Session at 9:55 p.m.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Adjourn at 9:57 p.m.

Motion by Ken Smith, 2nd by David Dean to adjourn at 9:57 p.m.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted by,

Florence T. Santini
Town Clerk