

**TOWN OF DEERPARK  
TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2019**

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

**Invocation** by Arthur Trovei (Participation is Optional)

**Attendance:**

**Supervisor:** Gary Spears

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

**Attorney:** Glen Plotsky

**Also, in attendance:** Highway Superintendent Ed Hughson

**Pledge of Allegiance:** David Dean

**Public Hearing on 2020 Preliminary Town Budget at 7:15 p.m.**

*Florence T. Santini, Town Clerk* read the Public Hearing Notice (a copy is attached to the official minutes).

Public Comment: None

Supervisor Spears reported an update regarding the budget while they waited for residents who may come and speak. He said they filled out an application for a grant to Karl Brabenec, their Assemblyman for \$50,000 to purchase a plow truck for the Highway and since they are in need of two this coming year, they applied and it looks good they'll get that. He recommended if they get the money, they put that money back into the equipment line so they can continue upgrading the equipment. He has tried to research the car they ordered and as they previously discussed, the car needed could be an Escape rather than an Explorer as long as it is a 4-wheel drive. It is mainly used for the Assessor and possible Danielle needing it for the bank or something. He said they would rotate the cars where the 2004 Jeep would go to the Highway Department and the Explorer would go to the Dog Control Officer. In regards to the Sales Tax, the county said it is up so if they go through the budget process and increase by  $\frac{3}{4}$  it would save 1% of that. They might get a slight decrease. That's their goal at this point.

**Motion to Close the Public Hearing at 7:24 p.m.**

Motion by Ken Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Arthur Trovei to close the Public Hearing at 7:24 p.m.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Call to Order:** 7:25 p.m.

Roll Call

Addition or Deletions to Agenda – None

Presentations/Communications

Supervisor Spears announced that Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> is Election Day. The polls are open in Deerpark from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. He urged everyone to exercise their right and their duty to vote. Also, November 11<sup>th</sup> is Veteran's Day and the Town Hall is closed both November 5<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. There is a parade and service in Port Jervis for Veteran's Day.

Public Comment: None

Department Head Report

*Highway Superintendent Ed Hughson* said they have all the salt and sand holdings in for the wintertime. They have the roads cleaned up from the recent storm with the wind and downed branches. The trucks are all ready to go; the sanders will be ready by Thursday or Friday. They are asking for Board approval to order two Ford F-550 trucks equipped with 9-foot plows. These are heavier duty and the price difference with a 350 is only about \$5,000. One F-550 is \$64,448.70 and they are looking to

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purchase two of them. The money is budgeted for next year's budget. They want approval now so after the first of the year (before winter is over) they will have them. They should receive a grant from Assemblyman Brabenec's office for \$50,000 that would help pay for some of this and other things they'll need next year. He was approached by a Port Jervis Youth Football League (PJYFL) person regarding a piece of six-foot plastic culvert and five feet around. They are requesting it for their training services they do there. He offered to recommend donating it to the PJYFL. It was left over from Big Pond when they pulled the culverts out of there and this was a short and damaged piece. It is smooth inside.

**Motion to Approve October 21, 2019 Board Minutes**

Motion by Alan Schock, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ken Smith to approve the October 21, 2019 Board Minutes.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Motion to Approve October 28, 2019 Board Minutes**

Motion by Alan Schock, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Arthur Trovei to approve the October 28, 2019 Board Minutes.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

Old Business

Supervisor Spears mentioned the need to approve the temporary License for KOA due to the court case for the noise and the violation they were issued. Their Attorney asked the court for a postponement and when they are given a new date, they'll give it out. The situation is they are without a permit and they are now closed until April 1<sup>st</sup>. They have an ongoing business and have protection of insurance and they asked for an extension of their permit until they reopen. The town will send out new applications in January and the Building Inspector will then inspect them and the Board will need to approve them. Since the court case is pending and the camp is closed, they could provide this for them.

**Motion to Approve the Temporary License for KOA Retro from October 17, 2019 to March 31, 2020**

Motion by Ken Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Alan Schock to approve the Temporary License for KOA from October 17, 2019 (or last day permit was in effect) to March 31, 2020.

Discussion: Supervisor Spears said they have a couple options, he thinks they could plead guilty and pay a fine or they could go to court for a trial. There is still a pending charge in town. *Town Attorney Glen Plotsky* mentioned it would be resolved and he guessed it could be resolved before the end of the year. They are trying to resolve before trial.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

*Town Clerk Florence Santini* will provide the Temporary License on Wednesday to KOA she said.

New Business

**Motion to Authorize the Purchase of Two Mason Dump Trucks for 2020**

Motion by Ken Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Alan Schock to authorize the purchase of two Mason Dump Trucks for 2020.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Motion to Authorize the Purchase of 2020 Police Interceptor SUV for \$40,094**

Motion by David Dean, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Arthur Trovei to authorize the purchase of 2020 Police Interceptor SUV for \$40,094.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

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**Motion to Authorize Supervisor's Office Placing Surplus Office Equipment for Bid**

Motion by Alan Schock, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Arthur Trovei to authorize the Supervisor's Office placing surplus office equipment out for bid: Dell Computer, One Defender Channel, Two Keyboards, Two Monitors and One Typewriter.

Discussion: Arthur Trovei asked what happens if there are no bids. Supervisor Spears said they would then either donate or throw them out.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Motion to Authorize Highway Superintendent to Donate Five Foot Culvert to the PJYFL**

Motion by Ken Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Alan Schock to authorize the Highway Superintendent to donate the leftover five-foot round culvert to the Port Jervis Youth Football League (PJYFL) for training purposes.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

Appropriations, Budget and Payment of Bills

**Motion to Pay Bills**

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

General Fund Abstract #21 of 2019 in the amount of \$111,992.64

Highway Fund Abstract #21 of 2019 in the amount of \$46,506.76

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

Closing Board Comments

Councilman Smith – None

Councilman Schock – He asked why they can't just donate computers and keyboards, etc. Supervisor Spears said they do this every couple of years—sometimes another group can use unused equipment.

Councilman Dean thanked the supervisor and anyone else who worked on the budget and thinks it is a great budget. He hopes they can keep it right where it's at and there is no tax increase for the citizens in the town.

Councilman Trovei is also looking for a decrease in the taxes.

Supervisor Spears encouraged everyone again to go out to vote.

**Motion to Enter Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Potential Litigation at 8:00 p.m.**

Motion by Ken Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Alan Schock to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing potential litigation at 8:00 p.m. and invite in the Attorney, following a short break.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

*Tom Faggione* mentioned the polls open 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. and the preliminary numbers statewide due to early voting which ended the day before are 1.1% of the electorate came out and voted early.

**Motion to Re-enter Regular Session at 9:15 p.m.**

Motion by Arthur Trovei, 2<sup>nd</sup> by David Dean to re-enter Regular Session at 9:15 p.m.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

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**Motion to Adjourn at 9:20 p.m.**

Motion by Ken Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Alan Schock to adjourn at 9:20 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