

**TOWN OF DEERPARK  
TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 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 Alan Schoch

**Call to Order** at 7:37 p.m.

There was a Moment of Silence honoring President Bush.

Additions or deletions to Agenda

Supervisor Spears mentioned he was adding a pamphlet they were putting on the table in the meeting room from District Attorney David Hoovler, an announcement campaign to speak up against hate. The brochures are a guide to prevent hate speech.

Presentation/Communications

Town Clerk Flo Santini announced receiving names for the Holiday Decorations contest; they began having Hanukkah celebrations with the Rabbi that night; the new Senior Center got a new used BINGO machine and it has an 8-foot flash board and the seniors on both Monday and Thursday know the Board approved them receiving this; the Seniors Christmas party is the next day and she will attend. They have new officers and she has updated lists of those attending. They paid \$1,800 for the new BINGO machine, but it is worth so much more and Lenny of Double M Vending looked it over and suggested she buy it. They'll keep the old one around in case something happens. Flo ended by thanking the Board for the game.

Supervisor Spears reported they had a dedication for the Dearest Deerpark at 6:00 p.m. and Susan Miiller was there and thanked so many for their help and Joan Kehlenback who painted the deer was there and they had donated materials and labor to build the building housing it. He thanked her and said it was a nice addition to the town. He said the meeting that is regularly scheduled for the 17<sup>th</sup> is moved for the year-end close out meeting, which will be December 27<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. They have an invitation for the Viking Hatchet Hurling Open House from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. on December 8<sup>th</sup>.

Public Comment – None

**Motion to Approve the November 19, 2018 Board Minutes**

Motion by Alan Schock, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Arthur Trovei to approve the November 19, 2018 Board Minutes.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

Old Business

Supervisor Spears said that last meeting they spoke with representatives from Dragon Springs Solar Project for the PILOT with the town proposing electrical credits and it was up for discussion tonight. Richard Li, Engineer went to the podium to speak. He felt the Board would vote down their PILOT proposal and he wanted to present some more facts and hope they would reconsider. He distributed a NYSERDA publication entitled Solar Pilot Toolkit (a copy is attached to the official minutes). He went on to explain they are proposing a 4 MW solar farm for their use and the annual energy generated in our region would be 5 million kWh (kilowatt hours) and this is attached to official minutes. Mr. Li presented four benefits to the town and his presentation is on file. Supervisor Spears suggested to the Board that they table this until he gets more information on what Orange & Rockland current rates are and find out what Dragon Springs is spending now and what their possible savings will be. He'd like to see what they could produce energy for and then they'll have a better idea. Councilman Trovei asked if the

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Senior Center could be used for the 2<sup>nd</sup> system on site. Mr. Li said they are open for negotiation. They have to look at the legalities of what is being proposed with payments to the town and the town paying the school and county in turn. Supervisor Spears offered to call Mr. Li the next day to set up a date to meet. Mr. Plotsky advised a special meeting involving the board members has to be posted ahead of time. Supervisor Spears said maybe just he and David Dean along with the attorney and school and county will meet after he gathers the information he wants, then bring it back to the board. No action has to take place now.

**Motion to Table Dragon Springs Solar PILOT**

Motion by Arthur Trovei, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ken Smith to table the Dragon Springs Solar PILOT.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

New Business

Supervisor Spears reported receiving \$40,000 through the county by way of Millennium Pipeline to go to that pot, that had \$20,000 from the previous year's donation and their normal playground budget. He got a price for playground equipment and it was \$95,878.00 and it has a great layout. Discussion continued.

**Motion to Approve Resolution 24 of 2018 to Authorize Purchase Playground Equipment**

Motion by David Dean, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ken Smith to approve Resolution 24 of 2018 to authorize the purchase of playground equipment for Space Park.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Motion to Approve Resolution 25 of 2018 to Authorize Supervisor to Sign Contract with FUSCO Engineering Land Surveying, P.C.**

Motion by Alan Schock, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Arthur Trovei to approve Resolution 25 of 2018 to authorize the Supervisor to sign the four-year contract with FUSCO Engineering Land Surveying, P.C.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Motion to Approve Resolution 26 of 2018 to Authorize Supervisor to Sign Contract with Huguenot Fire Department**

Motion by Ken Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Arthur Trovei to approve Resolution 26 of 2018 to authorize the Supervisor to sign the five-year contract with the Huguenot Fire Department with a 2% increase per year.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Motion to Approve Resolution 27 of 2018 to Authorize Supervisor to Sign Contract with PERMA Insurance**

Motion by Arthur Trovei, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ken Smith to approve Resolution 27 of 2018 to authorize the Supervisor to sign the contract with PERMA Insurance.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Motion to Approve Resolution 28 of 2018 to Authorize Supervisor to Sign Contract with the Port Jervis/Deerpark Humane Society**

Motion by Arthur Trovei, 2<sup>nd</sup> by David Dean to authorize the Supervisor to Sign Contract with the Port Jervis/Deerpark Humane Society.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

Supervisor Spears mentioned that the board had asked him to look into the costs of the Senior Shuttle and it was about \$17,000 last year and about \$11,000 this year up to October. Large repair bills in 2017 made a difference. The shuttle runs Tuesday and Thursday and he asked for discussion. Quality Bus operates the shuttle for the town and the town pays \$1,000 a month and

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pays for fuel, insurance and repairs. Grant money was used to purchase the vehicle. There is a limited number of people who use it. Discussion continued. The Supervisor will look into mileage and age of the vehicle used.

Appropriations, Budget and Payment of Bills

**Motion to Pay Bills**

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

General Fund Abstract #22 of 2018 in the amount of \$136,981.44  
Highway Fund Abstract 22 of 2018 in the amount of \$49,846.88

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

Closing Board Comments

Councilman Dean said kudos to the supervisor and he said people in this town should be very thankful for his diligence because it just keeps on getting better. They want to keep things going the way it is.

Councilman Smith thanked Gary and said he has saved the town a lot of money. People appreciate it.

Supervisor Spears congratulated Mr. Dean on being a grandfather again and he wanted to congratulate his whole family. As a reminder, they will meet at 3:00 p.m. at the end of the year for the year-end audit.

Councilman Schock thanked Mrs. Kehlenback and the ladies involved with the deer. They really put it there after a lot of effort.

Councilman Trovei also said he wasn't able to be at the service for the deer, but thought it was a wonderful gift they gave the town. He apologized they as a board didn't give the supervisor a raise for being Budget Officer, because he certainly deserves more than he gets paid. He appreciates him. He had many thoughts about President Bush and how he served the country in many, many ways.

*Florence Santini* thanked the Board for the playground equipment at Space Park and said it was a long time coming.

**Motion to Adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m.**

Motion by Alan Schock, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ken Smith to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 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