

**TOWN OF GREENPORT
TOWN BOARD MEETING
APRIL 6, 2016**

PUBLIC HEARING

The Public Hearing was opened at 7pm by Supervisor Edward Nabozny. Deputy Town Clerk Deborah Mausolf read the Notice of the Public Hearing. The purpose of the hearing is to change the Assessment Grievance Day in the Town of Grenport to the Thursday after the fourth Tuesday in May of each year.

Supervisor Nabozny asked if there was any comments from the Town Board members. No comments were made.

A motion to close the Public Hearing was made by Councilwoman Michelle Ublacker and seconded by Councilman Clayton Clark.

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:05pm.

The regular meeting of the Greenport Town Board was held on Wednesday, April 6, 2016 at 7:05pm at the Greenport Town Hall. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Edward Nabozny followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Also present at the meeting are the Councilmembers: Councilman Clayton Clark, Councilwoman Michelle Ublacker, Councilman Keith Mortefolio and Councilman Guy Apicella. Deputy Town Clerk Deborah Mausolf and Attorney Carl Whitbeck.

A motion to accept minutes of the March 2, 2016 was made by Councilman Guy Apicella and seconded by Councilman Keith Mortefolio. All in Favor and so moved.

A motion to make any necessary budget transfers was made by Councilman Guy Apicella and seconded by Councilman Clayton Clark. All in Favor and so moved.

Councilman Guy Apicella made a motion to pay the audited vendor's claims. Councilman Keith Mortefolio seconded the motion. All in Favor and so moved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Animal Control Reports	(2 pages) on file for the activity of March 2016
Code Enforcement	John Florio read his report for March 2016
Court	Judge Fran Abitable reviewed the report for March 2016
Highway Dept.	The report for March 2016 is on file in the Clerk's Office
Planning Board	Report was read by Robert MacGiffert. Next meeting is April 26 th at 8:30pm

Police

The activity report for March 2016 was reviewed by Dan Harrison

Water and Waste Water

John Mokszycki reviewed his March 2016 report
The report is on file in the Clerk's Office

A motion to accept the Committee Reports was so moved by Councilwoman Michelle Ublacker and seconded by Councilman Clayton Clark. All in Favor and so moved.

Greenport Fire Department submitted a March 2016 report and was reviewed by Supervisor Nabozny. The report is on file in the Clerk's Office.

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Nabozny went over the stop signs on Joslen Blvd. Highway Superintendent Mark Gaylord was not present. The Supervisor said the Board is looking in to and talking about the different options.

Ray Jurkowski went over a report on the back flow preventers and also the Engineers report on DEC.

Councilwoman Michelle Ublacker reviewed the Comprehensive Plan Meeting which was held March 31st at 3pm. The next meeting will be April 28th at 3pm at the Town Hall.

NEW BUSINESS

Broad Band for Columbia County. Councilman Guy Apicella gave us an update on a meeting that he attended. Councilman Apicella mentioned that Supervisor Nabozny would like to form a committee in Greenport. The Supervisor is on the Columbia Economic Development Corp. Congressman Chris Gibson will have a presentation on Friday, April 8th at 9:15am at Columbia-Greene College.

Resolution 46 – 2016 to change Assessment Grievance Day to the Thursday after the fourth Tuesday in May of each year was so moved by Councilman Clayton Clark and seconded by Councilwoman Michelle Ublacker and approved by all.

Resolution 47 – 2016 that John Mokszycki has the authority to hire the following personnel as part-time Park employees. Kenneth Nostrand, Paul Brown, John Servider, Jeremy Miller and Frank Shufelt was so moved by Councilman Keith Mortefolio and seconded by Councilman Clayton Clark approved by all.

Resolution 48 – 2016 John Mokszycki has the authority to hire Zach Torchia and Ryan Moore as full-time temporary summer employees for the Water & Sewer Department was so moved by Councilman Guy Apicella and seconded by Councilwoman Michelle Ublacker approved by all.

Resolution 49 – 2016 that the Greenport Town Board appoint Carolyn West to the Columbia County Environmental Management Council and so moved by Councilman Keith Mortefolio and seconded by Councilman Clayton Clark approved by all.

Supervisor Nabozny read a letter from the Dept. of Taxation and Finance that we met the requirements for aid for Cyclical Reassessment on our 2015 Assessment Roll.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Resident Jim Drobowski asked about the new fire hydrants that were bagged. If the town was having problems with them?

John Mokszycki answered if they leak they will fill with water and freeze and that creates a problem.

Resident Kathy Eldridge spoke about her home being backed up with sewer. She had a few questions for the board.

Supervisor Nabozny asked if he could have a copy of her letter or a list of her questions. He will talk to the legal service and do some research.

Greenport resident Brad Siegler who resides on Kline Street had an issue with the water dept. relating to paying his water bill at the Bank of Greene County and the water meter itself. Is the charge for the water meter a rental fee or a maintenance fee?

John Mokszycki answered that it is written as a rental fee but it's also a maintenance and replacement fee.

Jim Dinardi asked the town engineer Ray Jurkowski what size pipe would be running thru the quarry?

Ray answered that they are looking to put in a 30 inch pipe.

Mr Dinardi also asked about all of their drainage going into the pond and then into that pipe.

Ray's answer was correct.

Mr Dinardi also mentioned that he would like to see a retention pond put in over at the Transfer Station.

Resident Paul D'Onofrio wanted to speak on the mitigation fees. He would like to know how these fees came about?

He also asked if the town has a plan how they are going to utilize the funds?

The Supervisor will talk to the board and Ray to follow up with this.

Ray Jurkowski went over this by saying it was a local law that was passed and before that a Public Hearing was set. What prompted this was based on development that was taken place within the town and the roadways. The concern is the impact based on the increase of traffic on the roadways. A consideration was taken to implement mitigation fees based on levels of traffic that maybe increased based on development. The fees collected does go into a separate account for the town to consider to make improvement to improve safety along the town roadways.

Resident Dr. Meisner wanted to speak about the 9H Bridge and Yates Road. He wanted to know if we heard anything from Dept. of Transportation.

Supervisor Nabozny said just today he had some correspondence with Carolyn Ryan the DOT engineer for the 9H Bridge reconstruction. They are setting up a meeting. It will be scheduled the later part of April or the beginning of May. They are trying to get all the Supervisor, road construction and the engineers together at the same time. There is room booked at Columbia-Greene College. We should know in a few days when that informational meeting is going to be held. It will be held in the evening so everyone can attend. The project is moving ahead.

Dr Meisner asked about changing the weight limit that now is 10 tons to 80 tons on the town roads?

Supervisor asked if he was talking about Yates Road? Dr Meisner responded yes. He responded by saying the town is trying to protect itself by having the road put back to the way it is today. They are looking at signs so heavy traffic doesn't get diverted down Fingar Road as far as commercial traffic or heavy traffic.

BOARD MEMBERS

Councilwoman Michelle Ublacker spoke about the playground. Applications for the playground staff can now be picked up in the Town Clerks' office. Applications for the children will be ready in May. Playground will start July 5th and it runs for 6 weeks. Councilwoman Ublacker also went on to say that Stockport/Stottville will be joining again this year.

Resident Gert Leck asked. Is it illegal to have parked cars on the street when it snows as the snowplows can't do their job?

Supervisor Nabozny answered if the Superintendent of Highways declares it a snow emergency. Then they have to be removed. We don't have a law that says they have to be off of the streets.

At 8:03pm a motion to adjourn the Town Board meeting was so moved by Councilman Clayton Clark and seconded by Councilman Guy Apicella and approved by all.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah L. Mausolf

