

TOWN OF GREENPORT
TOWN BOARD MEETING
MAY 4, 2016

The regular meeting of the Greenport Town Board was held Wednesday, May 4, 2016 at 7pm 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: Councilman Clayton Clark, Councilwoman Michelle Ublacker, Town Clerk Sharon Zempko, Town Supervisor Edward Nabozny, Councilman Guy Apicella, Councilman Keith Mortefolio and Attorney Carl Whitbeck.

A motion to accept the minutes of the April 6, 2016 was made by Councilwoman Michelle Ublacker and seconded by Councilman Clayton Clark. All in Favor and so moved.

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

Councilman Clayton Clark made a motion to pay the audited vendor's claims. Councilwoman Michelle Ublacker seconded the motion. All in Favor and so moved.

Councilwoman Michelle Ublacker made a motion to accept or direct all correspondence. Councilman Keith Mortefolio seconded the motion. All in Favor and so moved.

COMMITTEE & DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

ANIMAL CONTROL	Activity for April filed in Clerk's office
CODE ENFORCEMENT	John Florio reviewed the April report.
COURTS	Judge Robert Gagen reviewed April report
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	Superintendent Mark Gaylord reviewed the April report.
PLANNING BORAD	Ed Stiffler reviewed April Report
POLICE	Report for April on file in Town Clerk's office
WATER & WASTE WATER	John Mokszycki reviewed the activity for April 2016

Councilman Keith Mortefolio made a motion for the Water Dept. to purchase a \$5700.00 camera. Councilman Clayton Clark seconded the motion . All in Favor and so moved.

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

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Nabozny spoke about the Route 9H detour. There was a postcard sent out to residents. There also was a informational meeting at the Columbia-Greene Community College. There is updates on the Web and also a Hot Line phone number.

Resident Joe Keannely asked how many Town Board members attended the meeting at the College?

Councilman Guy Apicella answered 3 attended.

Supervisor Nabozny also went on to talk about the stop signs on Joslen Blvd. He would like to have a traffic engineer give their opinion where the placement of stop signs should be located for safety. Ray Jurkowski also thought with the sidewalk project moving forward it would be a good idea to have a traffic engineer to give there opinion on placement of signs.

Supervisor Nabozny talked about the Back Flow Preventers. The board has decided to hold a Public Hearing on June 1st at 6:30pm held at the Greenport Town Hall to set up a Grant program to allow us to help our residents to put back flow preventers in their sewerage system lines. Also, to make some changes on how we inspect the homes and the lines.

The Supervisor also said Paul D’Onofrio had a few questions about the mitigation fees. Ray Jurkowski outlined the method for the mitigation fees. Mr Jurkowski also went on to say there is a set formula.

NEW BUSINESS

The Joslen Blvd. sidewalk project will be moving forward. It will pick up at the end of the Hudson High School sidewalk and will run to the park. The completion year should be around 2019. Also, the roads will be widened.

We have received a check from the County for Sales Tax for \$170,245.00. That’s the first quarter share. That amount is up from last year’s \$158,880.00 first quarter.

We were discussing the potential to lower the speed limit coming from Route 9 south into Hudson. It is now 45mph. We are going to discuss this further with the State on lowering it.

We are going to have a Public Hearing on a proposed moratorium for Solar Farms. We are going to have guidelines not to block them but to better understand them. The Public Hearing will be June 1st at 6:50pm.

Drainage for Lorenz Park is moving forward. Ray Jurkowski went over the drainage and when it would start. Highway Superintendent mentioned he went to a meeting at the college and there is funding so he signed up for more information.

Resolution #50 – 2016 Melissa Scheriff was hired as a Grant Writer for the Town of Greenport. Councilwoman Michelle Ublacker made a motion and it was seconded by Councilman Kieth Mortefolio. All in Favor and so moved.

Resolution #51 – 2016 Barbara Barrie was hired as an Administrative Assistant to the Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Office. Councilman Clayton Clark made a motion and was seconded by Councilman Keith Mortefolio. All in Favor and so moved.

Resolution #52 – 2016 John G. Waite Associates, Architects, PLLC be retained as architects for Columbia Turnpike – West Gate Toll House. Councilman Clayton Clark made a motion and was seconded by Councilwoman Michelle Ublacker. All in Favor and so moved.

Resolution #53 – 2016 Court Clerks hours are increased to 35 hours a week. Councilwoman Michelle Ublacker made a motion and was seconded by Councilman Guy Apicella. All in Favor and so moved

Resoluiton #54 – 2016 Deborah Mausolf be appointed to Concession Stand Supervisor. An the following employees be hired in the Concession Stand Patrick Spencer, Emily Clark, Maya Alvarez, Ethan Peters, Emily Fredrick, Stevie Bowes, Ian Hutchings and Kyle Ublacker. Councilman Guy Apicella made a motion and it was seconded by Councilman Clayton Clark. Councilwoman Michelle Ublacker obstained.

Resolution #55 – 2016 Capital Project Account at the Bank of Greene County (Acct # ending 2122) be closed and funds transferred to the Water fund Money Market Account. Councilwoman Michelle Ublacker made a motion and Councilman Keith Mortefolio seconded. All in Favor and so moved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Fire Chief Gary Mazzacano asked if the sidewalk project on Joslen Blvd. went out to a vote?

Supervisor Nabozny answered no. The project was approved by NYS and the Transportation Advisory Committee. The town is to pay 15% of the project.

Chief Mazzacano also asked about the Solar Farm being put up on the old Wyda farm. Who will benefit from this solar project?

Supervisor answered the town residents will.

The Chief asked what is the cost of this project and how much of the field will it cover?

Supervisor Nabozny answered no cost to the town and just about 5 acres.

The Chief went on to say that he was a little disappointed that no elected official discussed this project with anyone from lower Greenport, and was Olana okay with this?

The Supervisor answered they are okay.

Chief Mazzacano also wanted to know when the barricade would be taken down on Yates Road Extension?

Highway Superintendent Gaylord answered its only going to be used for emergency use.

The Supervisor said he would call Carolyn Ryan and see when the estimated date would be.

Resident Dick Tracy asked if the grant writer position went out for bid or by recommendation.

The Supervisor answered it did not go out to bid.

Resident Kathy Leck who lives on Maple Ave says there was a water break at the corner of Maple Ave. and Route 66 it was repaired and now it holds water there. From what she understands it's the way the black top was put back in. So when it rains it is not sloped correctly and retains water. When cars turn into Maple Ave to bypass the puddle they go on the other side of the road. So it is like a one lane road. Kathy was wondering if it could be fixed.

Supervisor Nabozny answered she would have to have a meeting with the Highway and Water Superintendent on this issue.

There were no comments from the Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02pm was so moved by Councilwoman Michelle Ublacker and seconded by Councilman Keith Mortefolio. All in Favor and so moved.