

December 2, 2015  
Greenport Town Board Meeting

The regular meeting of the Greenport Town Board was held on Wednesday, December 2, 2015 at 6pm at the Greenport Town Hall. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor John Porreca, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Also present at the meeting: Councilman Clayton Clar, Councilwoman Michelle Ublacker, Councilman Keith Mortefolio, Councilman Robert Pendergast and Attorney Geniveve Trigg.

A motion to accept the minutes of the November 4, 2015 meeting was made by Councilman Robert Pendergast and seconded by Councilwoman Michelle Ublacker and approved by all.

A motion to make any necessary budget transfers was made by Councilman Robert Pendergast and seconded by Councilman Clayton Clark and approved by all.

Councilman Keith Mortefolio made a motion to pay the audited vendor's claims; Councilwoman Michelle Ublacker seconded the motion and all in favor.

A motion to accept and direct correspondence was made by Supervisor John Porreca and seconded by Councilwoman Michelle Ublacker and approved by all.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Animal Control	On file in Clerk's office
Code Enforcement	John Florio read his November 2015 report
Courts	John Porreca reviewed the November 2015 report
Highway Department	Mark Gaylord reviewed the November 2015 report
Planning Board	Robert MacGiffert reviewed the November 2015 report
Police Department	Chief Kevin Marchetto reviewed the activity for November 2015
Water & Waste Water Report	Beth MacGiffert reviewed the report for November 2015

A motion to accept Committee and Department reports was made by Councilman Robert Pendergast and seconded by Councilman Clayton Clark and approved by all.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Attorney Geniveve Trigg went over the new website called the Town Hub. Geniveve went on to say that the town came to an agreement with Simon Locke. We do have a Resolution for the Website and the Board will vote tonight.

Supervisor Porreca spoke about the Refuse District saying that we are moving forward on it and there was no change. We will know more about at the end of the month.

Ray Jurkowski spoke about the Comprehensive Plan. There was a workshop meeting on November 26<sup>th</sup> that was attended by 12 residents. The discussion was about land use and infrastructure and roadway safety. The next meeting will be Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at Becraft Firehouse, 257 County Route 14, Hudson, NY.

Ray also covered the Highway Garage. He also mentioned the cost of a new Highway Garage. He went on to say that Mark and him had visited a Highway Garage in Stamfordville, NY. They also looked at potential sites.

Ray also went over the sidewalk grant. He attended the meeting for the Columbia County Transportation Advisory and they went along with the request of the town as far as expanding of Joslen Blvd. sidewalk project with the additional funding thru DOT. They are in the process of updating their 5 year budget and schedule. We have the endorsement from the County. Just as soon as it comes available Ray will contact the town. We are placed in the 5 year plan DOT.

Supervisor Porreca spoke about the Fish Farm saying that we are very close to an agreement. The Supervisor went on to say the town will be saving money with the new liability insurance that the town will be getting from Fingar Insurance.

Attorney Geniveve Trigg went over the Solar System. She said that she is still negotiating the contract with Solar City and would hear from them by the end of the year.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Supervisor Porreca scheduled the end of the year meeting for December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 11am at the Town Hall with a luncheon to follow.

Resolution #75-2015 – Town Law section 112 permits the Town Board to make additional appropriations or increase existing appropriations and to provide for the financing of those appropriations. The motion was made by Councilman Keith Mortefolio and seconded by Robert Pendergast All in favor and so moved.

Resolution #76-2015 – The Justice Court have an audit for 2014 approved by the Town Board. The motion was made by Robert Pendergast and seconded by Clayton Clark. All in favor and so moved.

Resolution #77 – 2015 – James Rutkey be appointed as Laborer for the Town of Greenport Water & Wastewater Department. The motion was made by Robert Pendergast and seconded by Keith Mortefolio and all in favor and so moved.

Resolution #78-2015 – Adopting a Sequa negative declaration and authorizing execution of a water supply agreement. The motion was made by Keith Mortefolio and seconded by Michelle Ublacker all in favor and so moved.

Resolution #79-2015 – Islay Communications Inc. has developed a website known as the Townhub. The motion was made by Michelle Ublacker and seconded by Robert Pendergast all in favor and so moved.

A Roll Call Vote was taken:

Supervisor John Porreca	Yes
Councilwoman Michelle Ublacker	Yes
Councilman Clayton Clark	Yes
Councilman Robert Pendergast	Yes
Councilman Keith Mortefolio	Yes

Supervisor Porreca spoke about the Website. The old Website will direct you to the new one. This is more available to the public. The Planning Board and Building Inspector have sites where you can be linked and pull your applications up.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Greenport resident Mike Isabella questioned the standing water on Maple Ave. after it rains. He is concerned with winter coming that there might be a problem with freezing. He also went on to question the work being done on Saturday & Sunday over at the Falls. He asked if there should be town employees overseeing them while they are making connections of the pipes being installed.

Ray Jurkowski is going to look into this matter.

Supervisor Porreca went on to say that the original building at the Falls which was Greenport School the drainage that came off of the building went right in the sewer system. Now with the new building that is no longer happening.

Ray touched base on the original construction of the school. The school had roof drains emptying out into the sanitary system. When water/sewer was doing the inspections they approached the project manager and developer. They are removing the remainder of roof drains. In addition to that with inspections were completed with the residential properties and the violations being taken care of. We are only 1/3 thru the inspections. They are working as far as removing the amount of input that is actually being put through the system. John Mokszycki has indicated that he has seen a difference at the sewer plant for the first time since he's been operator and superintendent at the water/sewer plant are less than 400 hundred thousand gallons a day at times which he has never seen before and part of that is that our inspections are working as well. Ray will address the two items that Mike asked about with John Mokszycki.

Mr Diamond asked the question how can the Highway Garage cost so much? He also questioned about how much land there is at the location they are currently at.

Superintendent Gaylord answered 9 acres but that is a land fill area. They cannot rebuild on the land they are now at.

The question about the cost of the Highway Garage was answered by a few people Municipality Prevailing wage.

Resident Joe Kobilca asked about the status of Joslen Blvd? What is the Board doing about it? Councilman Keith Mortefolio answered we are moving the project forward.

**BOARD COMMENT - None**

Supervisor Porreca wished everyone a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year and said it was a pleasure serving the town for the past 2 terms.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Councilman Robert Pendergast and seconded by Councilman Clayton Clark. All in favor and so moved.