

TOWN BOARD MINUTES
TOWN OF POESTENKILL
TOWN BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 22, 2013
(Not approved at time of distribution)

ROLL CALL AS FOLLOWS

Councilman Bayly	Present
Councilwoman Bentley	Present
Councilwoman Cropsey	Present
Councilman Slavin	Present
Supervisor Jacangelo	Present

NON VOTING MEMBERS

Susan Horton, Town Clerk
Patrick Tomaselli, Town Attorney

Supervisor Jacangelo opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisor Jacangelo had spoken with Captain T. Monroe from the NYS Police to speak to the Town Board and members of the audience pertaining to a situation that had recent mental health issues that occurred in the town. Captain Monroe sent Senior Investigator Crowe to speak at tonight's meeting. Also invited, was Under Sheriff P. Russo also spoke and the Town Board had a question and answer period pertaining to multiple happenings in the town including the increased use of heroine. D. Hass, resident near the mental health incident stated that his family was terrified. Investigator Crowe stated that this incident was not classified as a criminal act and information released was scarce due to the fact of the health related incident and the HIPPA laws. He continued by stating that there is a huge heroine problem in the surrounding communities and it is overflowing into Poestenkill. Under Sheriff Russo stated that their department works hand and hand with the NYS Police. The speakers continued at length and Supervisor Jacangelo thanked both of the speakers for their time in sharing their experiences with the Town Board. He stated that the law enforcement departments are right there when you need them and both departments do a great job.

The Town Board members met at 7:00 p.m. to review and audit the monthly bills. Motion by Slavin, seconded by Bayly and an oral vote of 5 ayes that the bills have been audited for payment this evening.

Supervisor Jacangelo opened the floor for public comments. D. Basle wanted to address the Town Board when the Fire Company was discussed.

Motion by Bayly, seconded by Bentley and carried to accept the Town Clerk's minutes of July 18, 2013 meeting as written.

Liaison Reports:

Planning Board – Town Board members had copies of the Planning Board minutes of the August 6th Planning Board meeting in their packets. J. Briggs liaison, reported on their recent meeting. Mr. Tomaselli stated that he has had discussions with R. Brunet pertaining to the Lochvue subdivision regarding the requirement of a performance bond and Mr. Field, Engineer for the project, will also be involved in setting the amount of the bond.

Zoning Board – Town Board members had copies of the August 13th ZBA meeting. T. Lantry, ZBA liaison, reported on their recent meeting.

Fire Company – D. Basle, Fire Chief stated that at last month's Town Board meeting there was a discussion about the purchase of different vehicle for the Water Manager and it would be paid for through the water district. He continued by stating, that the Fire Company is not against the new purchase but for the last two years he has approached the Town Board about the purchase of Stuarts Connections for the water hydrants and has been told that there is no money in the water budget for these purchases. Supervisor Jacangelo stated that he had not forgotten about these connections and when the end of this fiscal year is done the water district funds will be reviewed. R. Brunet reported on the poor condition of the town vehicle that he now drives.

Conservation Advisory Committee- Supervisor Jacangelo reported that the CAC held a brief meeting to discuss the proposed Snake Hill project.

Library – E. Gresens reported on the recent activities of the Library which include the summer reading program as well as the upcoming Market Day to be held on September 21st.

Youth Advisory Board – Councilwoman Bentley reviewed the highlights of the Youth report that T. Houser had prepared. Supervisor Jacangelo thanked the Fire Company on the use of the Fire House for the Summer Camp.

Correspondence:

Time Warner-Letter dated August 21st to the town regarding agreements with programmers and broadcasters carrying their services and how they expire from time to time. Also notifications will be provided whenever there is a change in channel or programming service.

NYMIR-Letter from NYMIR stating that over the next two years, upon insurance renewal the town will receive an interest distribution of \$892.50.

NYS Dept. of Taxation and Finance-A letter from this office stating that the town's final equalization rate is 27.50.

NYSDOT-A letter dated August 16th from NYSDOT advising the town that Region 1 will be repaving approximately 1,000 ft-long section of Route 355 just west of Route 351.

Informational Items – E. Gresens, Library representative reported that the Library Market Day will be held on September 21st with a rain date of September 22nd. Councilwoman Bentley also stated that the Historical Society will have a table located at the town hall parking lot with homemade crafts in hopes to raise money for the Historical Society.

Planning and Zoning Board secretary resignation-J. Grattan will be resigning her position as secretary to the Planning and Zoning Board and will be effective as of September 30th. The two Boards will be advertising for the position.

Electronic Day-This event will take place at the Sullivan Jones pavilion on September 21st from 8-12 Noon.

Ring of the Bells September 17th – To commemorate the 226th anniversary of the signing of the U.S. Constitution, the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution encourages individuals, churches, towns, etc. to join in ringing Bells Across America on September 17th at 4 p.m. The Lutheran Church will be participating.

Discussion Items:

Highway Garage and yard security-Supervisor Jacangelo reported that there had been theft at the highway garage recently. He would like to get some quotes on security cameras and has already gotten a quote from one provider and he is expecting another quote. He stated that it looks like the quotes are going to be between \$3,000-\$4,000. The initial quote was from Protection One. Once the quotes have been received the Board will make a determination as to whether or not to move forward with this process. Councilwoman Bentley asked if the claim has been submitted to the insurance company and Supervisor Jacangelo stated it has not as of yet and that there is a \$500 deductible on the loss. Supervisor Jacangelo stated that the Highway Superintendent was looking for a 9 ton excavator and trailer. Motion by Bayly, seconded by Bentley and an oral vote of 5 ayes authorizing the town attorney to prepare the documents to go out to bid for the 9 ton excavator and trailer. The highway superintendent will give the specs to Mr. Tomaselli in preparation for the bid.

Action Items

Review Town of Poestenkill Court Audit – Motion by Bayly, seconded by Slavin and carried to accept the 2012 Court Audit as prepared by the Town Accountant.

Review status of town finances report – Town board members had copies of the Town Finance Report prepared by Town Accountant, C. Roberts. The report included general fund, highway fund and the water district funds as of August 19, 2013. Supervisor Jacangelo thanked C. Roberts for a job well done. Supervisor Jacangelo reported that the town once again will end the year with a healthy fund balance and C. Roberts suggest that we put some money in a Cash Reserve. Supervisor Jacangelo suggested creating Reserve Fund for Capital Purposes.

Reports –

Supervisor's Report – Supervisor Jacangelo stated that plans for the new septic system have been approved by the County. The proposed PDD project is on hold for the time being because additional information has been requested. Quotes are needed for repairs on the old clock tower on Town Hall. He had conversations with National Grid regarding the bringing of Natural Gas to the community. Motion by Slavin, seconded by Bentley and carried to approve the new Sullivan Jones Agreement.

Town Attorney's Report – Mr. Tomaselli reported on his activities since the last Town Board meeting which include acting as counsel to the ZBA, reviewing various issues regarding the Lochvue subdivision and corresponding with the Ethics Board Council, etc. The full report is on file at the Town Clerk's office.

Town Clerk's Report – Motion by Bentley, seconded by Slavin and an oral vote of 5 ayes to accept the Town Clerk's report of July 2013. The total amount received in the Clerk's office was \$10,700.95 and of that amount \$10,462.31 was remitted to the Supervisor. Town Board members had copies of the Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer's written report. They also had copies of the Assessor's monthly report, DCO report and the highway report. There are new registration rules that have been issued with the Tax Department pertaining to Basic STAR exemptions for the 2014 year. All basic STAR recipients will receive registration instructions by mail and the registration deadline is December 31st. R. Brunet, Water Manger/Code Enforcer will be working on the new Septic system for the Library along with Highway Department's help. He will also be getting prices for the Stuarts connections for the water hydrants.

Payment of Bills:

Motion by Slavin, seconded by Cropsey and an oral vote of 5 ayes to pay Warrant #17-2013 in the amount of \$42,618.47. Motion by Slavin, seconded by Bayly and an oral vote of 5 ayes to pay Warrant #18-2013 in the amount of \$228,855.67.

Motion by Bentley, seconded by Cropsey and carried to adjourn this meeting at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan Horton". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Susan Horton
Town Clerk