

TOWN BOARD MINUTES  
TOWN OF POESTENKILL  
TOWN BOARD MEETING  
FEBRUARY 20, 2014  
(Not approved at time of distribution)

ROLL CALL AS FOLLOWS

Councilwoman Bentley	Present
Councilman Hass	Present
Councilwoman Ross	Present
Councilman Slavin	Present
Supervisor Jacangelo	Present

NON VOTING MEMBERS

Susan Horton, Town Clerk  
Patrick Tomaselli, Town Attorney

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

Supervisor Jacangelo opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and went on to thank everyone for attending tonight's board meeting. He also informed board members and the audience that the town hall was broken into Monday night. The side door was broken, however, our Building Inspector, R. Brunet repaired the damages at no cost to the town. Supervisor Jacangelo thanked R. Brunet for all his help. Supervisor Jacangelo also stated that if anyone is around town hall and sees anything out of the ordinary please call 911.

Public Comment Period – S. Valente, A. Valente and H. VanSlyke wanted to reserve time to speak during the discussion over the Resolution over the Rensselaer Plateau.

Motion by Bentley, seconded by Slavin and an oral vote of 5 ayes to accept the Town Clerk's minutes of the January 16, 2014 meeting as written. Motion by Slavin, seconded by Hass and carried to accept the Town Clerk's minutes of the Special Meeting of January 23, 2014, as written. Motion by Ross, seconded by Bentley with one abstention by Councilman Slavin to accept the Town Clerk's minutes of the Special Meeting of February 6, 2014 as written.

Liaison Reports:

Planning Board – T. Slavin, Liaison to the PB reported on the meeting of February 4<sup>th</sup>.

Zoning Board – H. VanSlyke, Liaison/Chairman spoke on the meeting of February 11<sup>th</sup>.

CAC-No meeting.

Fire Company – Town Board members had copies of the Fire Co. January report. B. Teal, Fire Chief stated that the 2014/15 Fire Agreement had been signed. Supervisor Jacangelo spoke with Fire Chief Teal about setting up a meeting to discuss Emergency Services/Ambulance.

Library – E. Gresens reported on the current activities at the Library. He also stated that the date has been set for Market day which will be May 3<sup>rd</sup> and May 4<sup>th</sup> for the rain date.

Youth Advisory Board – Councilwoman Bentley, reported that the Youth Director, Tara Houser will be resigning from her position. The Town Clerk has not received the resignation as of yet.

Correspondence:

Time Warner - Memo dated January 31<sup>st</sup> discussing the upcoming rate increases. Councilwoman Ross and Supervisor Jacangelo had a discussion regarding a company that Councilwoman Ross is dealing with at her place of employment that possibly could replace Time Warner. It was decided that Councilwoman Ross would have the company representative come and speak to Supervisor Jacangelo and perhaps set up a presentation.

Discussion Items –

Bids for Water Manager Vehicle - No bids were received for the vehicle by the return date of February 14<sup>th</sup>. Supervisor Jacangelo stated that he would call the people that the specs were sent to, to find out what the issues were. Motion by Slavin, seconded by Ross and carried to set the re-bid of the water vehicle with bids to be open on March 17<sup>th</sup>. If no bids are received by the March 17<sup>th</sup> bid opening date; he will than check the town's procurement policy and perhaps negotiate the vehicle price by getting three written quotes on the vehicle.

Camera for Highway/Protection One – Supervisor Jacangelo stated that he is still working on this camera issue for the Highway garage. He reported that he did have one quote but still wanted to speak with Protection One who is the town's current vendor.

National Grid – Natural Gas – Supervisor Jacangelo reported he and Councilman Hass met with National Grid representatives regarding the issue of possibly bringing Natural Gas to some areas in the town. A lengthy discussion followed stating all the steps that needed to be done in order to make this come to fruition.

Action Items –

Set rate for Town Accountant – Supervisor Jacangelo stated that at the Organizational Meeting the town board failed to set a rate for the Town Accountant. Mr. Roberts is asking for \$60/hr. \$10 over his current rate of \$50/hr. He has worked six years for the town with no increase when other town employees have received them. Councilwoman Bentley stated that she was comfortable with the increase; however, Councilman Hass and Councilman Slavin were not happy with that figure. Supervisor Jacangelo stated that Mr. Roberts is deserving of this increase. Councilman Hass feels otherwise. Councilman Hass stated that Mr. Roberts is not a CPA and he felt his starting hourly rate six years ago was quite high. Councilman Slavin then weighed in on his opinion stating that \$10/hr. increase in this economy is a lot of money but he does feel that Mr. Roberts has done a very good job for the town. Supervisor Jacangelo and Councilwoman Bentley stated that Mr. Roberts goes above and beyond his regular financial duties for the town. The lengthy discussion continued. It was decided to lower the asking rate for Mr. Roberts to \$55/hr. and Supervisor Jacangelo asked for a long roll call vote on this issue. IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING AN HOURLY RATE OF \$55.00 FOR C. ROBERTS, TOWN ACCOUNT FOR THE TOWN OF POESTENKILL.

VOTED UPON AS FOLLOWS:

Councilwoman Bentley:	YES
Councilman Hass:	NO
Councilwoman Ross:	YES
Councilman Slavin:	YES
Supervisor Jacangelo:	YES

Approval for Clark Agreement - Motion by Slavin, seconded by Ross and an oral vote of 5 ayes to authorize the Supervisor to sign the 2014 Proposal for Engineering Services related to the Landfill Consent Order.

Resolution – Jan Siemignowski – RESOLUTION #2-2014-IN THE MATTER OF THE TOWN OF POESTENKILL GRANTING PERMISSION FOR THE PRIVATE INSTALLATION OF A WATERLINE IN THE TOWN RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONNECTION TO THE MUNICIPAL WATER SYSTEM. Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Poestenkill hereby grants permission to the applicant to site and install a water line in the southerly R.O.W. of Grandview Drive, all as set forth in the accompanying letter to the Town Supervisor with attached plan, provided and on condition that the installation shall be subject to the contemporaneous as well as the final inspection and approval of said installation by the Town Code Enforcement Officer/Water Manager and provided further that the applicant shall be fully responsible for said installation and the subsequent operation and use of said water line extension being in full compliance with all requirements of the Municipal Water Use Law of the Town of Poestenkill.

MOVED BY: Councilwoman Bentley  
SECONDED BY: Councilman Hass

VOTED UPON AS FOLLOWS:

Councilwoman Bentley: YES  
Councilman Hass: YES  
Councilwoman Ross: YES  
Councilman Slavin: YES  
Supervisor Jacangelo: YES

\*Supervisor Jacangelo also stated to Mr. Siemignowski that once the water lines are hooked up, there will be a ½ benefit unit charge assessed on each parcel.

Resolution-Rensselaer Plateau to Establish and Develop Plans and program for a Community Forest within the Town of Poestenkill – Town Attorney, P. Tomaselli had prepared a Resolution for a vote supporting the efforts of the Rensselaer Plateau Alliance. However, after the lengthy discussion among board members and listening to residents A. Valente, S. Valente and H. VanSlyke it was decided to lay- aside this resolution for tonight’s meeting.

Library Service and Lease Agreement – Motion by Hass, seconded by Bentley to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Library Service and Lease Agreement for 2014.

VOTED UPON AS FOLLOWS:

Councilwoman Bentley: YES  
Councilman Hass: YES  
Councilwoman Ross: YES  
Councilman Slavin: YES  
Supervisor Jacangelo: YES

Veteran’s Agreement – Motion by Bentley, seconded by Slavin authorizing the Supervisor to execute the 2014 Sullivan-Jones VFW Post 7466 Service Agreement.

VOTED UPON AS FOLLOWS:

Councilwoman Bentley: YES  
Councilman Hass: YES  
Councilwoman Ross: YES  
Councilman Slavin: YES  
Supervisor Jacangelo: YES

Poestenkill Seniors Agreement – Motion by Slavin, seconded by Hass authorizing the Supervisor to execute the 2014 Senior Citizens Service Agreement.

VOTED UPON AS FOLLOWS:

Councilwoman Bentley:	YES
Councilman Hass:	YES
Councilwoman Ross:	YES
Councilman Slavin:	YES
Supervisor Jacangelo:	YES

Reports:

Supervisor's Report-Supervisor Jacangelo reported on his recent activities which included attending the New York City Assoc. of Towns meeting. He reported that at one of the classes he attended, dealing with Ethics issues it was discussed that if there are any conflicts with sitting board members/employees it should be referred to the town's Ethic Board because courts base their decisions on information from that board. In the upcoming months, Supervisor Jacangelo wants to look into solar installation in some of town owned properties and formal RFP's will be sent out. He further went on to state that with the last massive snow storm that the sidewalks in and around town hall have to be addressed and he feels that this job should be part of the highway department's responsibility. If the Highway Superintendent feels that more necessary equipment is needed to fulfill this task, he should speak with Supervisor Jacangelo. As liaison to the highway department, Councilwoman Ross will speak to the highway superintendent.

Town Attorney's Report – Mr. Tomaselli gave his monthly updates which included working on monitoring proceedings of the ZBA, attending the training sessions in NYC, drafting resolutions for tonight's meeting, etc. The full report is on file in the Town Clerk's office.

Town Clerk's Report – Motion by Slavin, seconded by Bentley and an oral vote of 5 ayes to accept the Town Clerk's report of January 2014. The total amount received in the Clerk's office was \$7,693.65 and of that amount \$7,588.95 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.

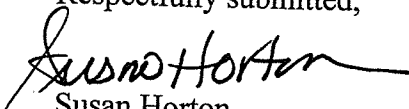
Payment of Bills:

Motion by Slavin, seconded by Hass and an oral vote of 5 ayes to pay Warrant #3 -2014 in the amount of \$10,502.80. Motion by Slavin, seconded by Hass and an oral vote of 5 ayes to pay Warrant #4-2014 in the amount of \$241,372.29. \*There are two bills that were questionable as being part of this total warrant; Them being, Voucher (#07-214) A1315.4 in the amount of \$2,600 and Voucher (#15-214) A3510.4 in the amount of \$250.00.

Motion by Bentley, seconded by Slavin and carried to exit into Executive Session at 9:15 p.m. to discuss the potential acquisition of property. Motion by Bentley, seconded by Slavin and carried to exit Executive Session at 9:20 p.m. with no votes taken.

Motion by Slavin, seconded by Hass and carried to adjourn this meeting at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Susan Horton  
Town Clerk