

TOWN BOARD MINUTES
TOWN OF POESTENKILL
TOWN BOARD MEETING
APRIL 18, 2019

Not approved at time of distribution)

ROLL CALL AS FOLLOWS

Councilwoman Butler	Present
Councilman Hass	Present
Councilman Van Slyke	Present
Councilman Wohlleber	Present
Supervisor Jacangelo	Present

NON-VOTING MEMBERS

Susan Horton, Town Clerk
Jack Casey, Town Attorney

Supervisor Jacangelo started with the Pledge of Allegiance and then stated that the meeting was opening a few minutes early to have an Executive Session regarding a real estate matter with no votes being taken during the session. The Executive Session ended at 7:15 p.m.

Supervisor Jacangelo invited the public to make brief comments and/or request information regarding matters of concern to the Town and its residents. B. Harris is working for his Summit Award which is comparable to the Eagle Scout Award for the Boy Scouts and is going to be building a 15x20 ft. shed for the Fire Co. Motion by Van Slyke, seconded by Butler and an oral vote of 5 ayes to waive the building permit fee for this project. L. Basle wanted to reserve time when the Board got to IV on the agenda. Councilman Van Slyke reported that he has still not been able to get his FOIL request answered by the County regarding the ambulance issues and it is overdue. Attorney Casey stated that he would get in touch with the County Attorney. Supervisor Jacangelo stated that he did email Emergency Services. Councilman Van Slyke stated that he would like to start the process of raising the tax cap in case the ambulance issue comes to fruition so that the money would be available. Supervisor Jacangelo stated that the Town Board would have to prepare a Local Law and that a public hearing would also have to be held and then a vote would have to be taken.

Motion by Butler, seconded by Van Slyke and an oral vote of 5 ayes to accept the Town Clerk's minutes of the March 21, 2019, as written.

Liaison Reports:

Planning Board –Town Board members had copies of the Planning Board's meeting of April 2, 2019 and Chairman Russell elaborated.

Zoning Board –Town Board members had copies of the Zoning Board minutes of April 9, 2019 and member Kalafut elaborated on that meeting.

Fire Company – Town Board members had copies of the March Fire Co. report.

Library – L. Lundgren reported on the activities at the Library which include the May 4th Market Day and she thanked the Highway Dept. for picking up the leaves at the Library.

Youth Advisory Board-T. Bucker updated the Board on the activities that were happening with the Youth Board and also the planning of the summer camp for 2019 and there will be a Harvest Festival in October.

CAC-The group met on April 17th and talked about the Hazard Mitigation Plan and also talked about the CAC page on the website and what kind of information will be posted.

Presentations:

Priority One-Phone System-Ron Askew, account executive with Priority One gave a presentation to the Board on the phone system itself. He stated that the current phone system is 25 years old and he is proposing to bring the Town up to the future and it will be a much more cost-effective system. He elaborated on the actual system. This system would cost approximately \$100 more a month then what the Town is now paying but with a much more current system. The Town Board members will look over the written proposal before anything formal is done.

Correspondence:

Memo dated March 29th from Charter Communications (Spectrum) making its customers aware that they will be launching a video-on-demand fitness channel.

Invitation regarding plastic pollution-Not discussed.

R. Brunet Letter-Form letter that was prepared by R. Brunet, Water Manager that will go out to water customers on what the process is if you feel that your water bill for the quarter appears to be significantly higher than the previous quarter.

P. Barringer letter-Letter dated April 16th from P. Barringer, Code Enforcement Office/Building Inspector to Town Board members regarding a training session for FEMA/Homeland Security sponsored Floodplain Management. The course emphasized the need to review all construction within a designated FEMA 100- and 500-year floodplain to minimize future damage and destruction caused by flooding. At the present time, there is not a separate town requirement over and above the building permit process that demonstrates construction requirements have been met. He also attended a Planning and Zoning Board meeting respectfully and explained to those members what will be needed in order to keep the Town in compliance with NYS and Federal regulations. Mr. Barringer recommends that a specific resolution be adopted with a fee by the Town Board.

Letter dated March 7, 2019 from P. Barringer to Town resident- Mr. Basle wanted to know if the Town had received a response but Supervisor Jacangelo did not know if there was a response, but he knows that Mr. Barringer is going to keep "pressing this issue" and he feels that eventually it will be going to the Town Attorney. Councilman Wohlleber wanted to know what the next step was in this process and Supervisor said that a ticket would be issued. Attorney Casey will call P. Barringer on this matter

Discussion Items:

Letter of Support for Wagner Farm-A letter was drafted by Supervisor Jacangelo to D. Behm Division of Land and Water Resources stating that the Town fully supports the Agricultural Stewardship Assoc. Dairy Transitions Farmland Protection Initiative Grant proposal to the NYS Dept of Ag and Markets for a perpetual conservation easement on the approximately 70-acre parcel owned by Wagner Farm Properties LLC. The farmland is located on Garfield Rd. and is adjacent to the 299-acre Wagner Farms property that was previously conserved in December 2018 with State farmland protection funding. The formal adoption of this letter will be done under action items.

Action Items:

State Solar Installation Permit in Lieu of Building Permit-RESOLUTION #2-2019- IN THE MATTER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF POESTENKILL ADOPTING THE NYS SOLAR PERMIT PROCESS resolved that the Code Enforcement Officer be directed to use the NYS Unified Solar Permit application form and procedures in order to issue building permits for the installation of small-scale solar photovoltaic systems and that the fee for solar installation will be set by resolution of the Town Board

MOVED BY: Councilman Wohlleber

SECONDED BY: Councilwoman Butler

VOTED UPON AS FOLLOWS:

Councilwoman Butler	YES
Councilman Hass	YES
Councilman Van Slyke	YES
Councilman Wohlleber	YES
Supervisor Jacangelo	YES

Authorize a Letter of Support for the Wagner Farm-Motion by Hass, seconded by Van Slyke and an oral vote of 5 ayes authorizing the Supervisor to sign the support letter for the Wagner Farms.

Reports:

Supervisor's Report- Supervisor Jacangelo reported that he attended the Rensselaer Plateau Gala, and he had a conversation with Mr. Barringer regarding structures on Main St., because it is moral duty to keep residents safe in this Town.

Town Attorney's Report – Mr. Casey reported on the matters that he worked on since the last Town Board meeting which included the real estate matter that was discussed in Executive Session, worked on the solar resolution and has been working on road dedication paper work.

Town Clerk's Report – Motion by Hass, seconded by Van Slyke and an oral vote of 5 ayes to accept the Town Clerk's report of March 2019. The total amount received in the Clerk's office was \$6,641.64 and of that amount \$6,518.12 was remitted to the Supervisor. Town Board members also had copies of the 2019 Tax Settlement Report. Town Board members had copies of the Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer's written report. There were also reports from the Assessor, DCO, 811 report, Water report and the Highway Dept. report. Brush clean-up is slated for April 29th thru May 3rd, Also, a copy of the Annual Water Quality Report was included in the Town Board packets for this evening. Mr. Brunet is still working on the water leaks and this summer he will be working on the water hydrants.

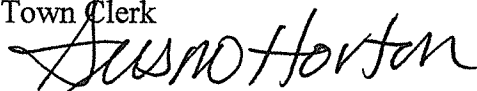
Payment of Bills:

Motion by Hass, seconded by Wohlleber and an oral vote of 5 ayes to pay Warrant #7-2019 in the amount of \$52,817.04. Motion by Hass, seconded by Wohlleber and an oral vote of 5 ayes to pay Warrant #8-2019 in the amount of \$1,290.34.

Motion by Wohlleber, seconded by Van Slyke and carried to adjourn this meeting at 8:20 p.m.

S. Keller, Town resident stated that Supervisor Jacangelo never mentioned the Plastic Pollutions invitation under the correspondence. This forum will be held on May 2nd at the firehouse.

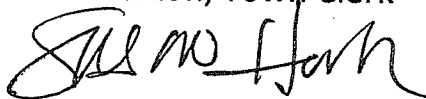
Respectfully submitted,
Susan Horton, Town Clerk



AMENDING MINUTES – of March 21, 2019

At the March 21, 2019 Town Board Meeting I inadvertently misspelled Town resident Steven Keller's last name. Please note, error has been corrected.

Susan Horton, Town Clerk

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Susan Horton". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "S" and "H".

Charter

COMMUNICATIONS

April 24, 2019

Re: Charter Communications – Upcoming Changes

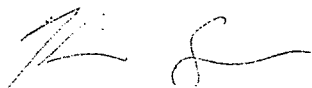
Dear Municipal Official:

On or around March 29, 2019, you received launch information for a video-on-demand fitness subscription channel, Gaiam TV Fit & Yoga. Gaiam TV Fit & Yoga will not launch in your area on or around April 30, 2019, but at a later date to be determined. Once we have a launch date, we will notify you with the updated launch information.

To view a current Spectrum channel lineup visit www.spectrum.com/channels.

If you have any questions about this change, please feel free to contact me at 518-640-8575 or via email at kevin.egan@charter.com.

Sincerely,



Kevin Egan
Director, Government Affairs
Charter Communications

20 Century Hill Drive
Latham, NY 12110

Charter

COMMUNICATIONS

May 1, 2019

Re: Charter Communications – Upcoming Changes

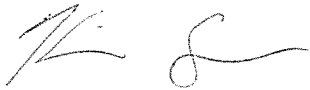
Dear Municipal Official:

Charter Communications (“Charter”), locally known as Spectrum, is making its customers aware that on or around June 1, 2019, WNYT 3 located on Spectrum Channel 1246, will rebrand from Heroes & Icons to Start TV on the channel lineups serving your community. To view a current Spectrum channel lineup visit www.spectrum.com/channels.

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If you have any questions about this change, please feel free to contact me at 518-640-8575 or via email at kevin.egan@charter.com.

Sincerely,



Kevin Egan
Director, Government Affairs
Charter Communications

Town of Poestenkill
Office of the Water Department
P.O. Box 210
Poestenkill, NY 12140

Memorandum

To: Town supervisor- Dominic Jacangelo

From: Robert Brunet, P.E. / Water Manager



Date: May 2, 2019

RE: Water Meter Package

Mr. Jacangelo,

As discussed, I have recommended giving our commitment to purchase the Water Meter Package proposed to Poestenkill by our meter supplier, EJP Solutions, AMR Systems. EJP is the "SOLE SOURCE" provider of the Hersey meters which the Town uses in our Municipal Water System and the computerized billing system. The procurement which I have recommended is essential at this time for three reasons:

1-Technology changes have occurred, and the meters and the existing Hot Rod radios will only be available until December 31,2019.

2-The new metering system will not be able to be read by our existing equipment.

3-To avail ourselves of this special offer we must place our order by June 15,2018

We will be in compliance with Resolution #5 – 2011 (Policy For The Procurement Of Goods And Services By The Town Of Poestenkill- Guideline 6), since EJP is the "SOLE SOURCE" provider of this equipment and to consider different meters is economically unjustified.

Town of Poestenkill
Office of the Water Department
P.O. Box 210
Poestenkill, NY 12140

Memorandum

To: Town supervisor- Dominic Jacangelo
From: Robert Brunet, P.E. / Water Manager
Date: May 6, 2019
RE: Water Situation At 1611 Spring Ave. Ext.

Dominic,

This memo is for informational purposes. Over the weekend we had a situation at 1611 Spring Ave. Ext. when a homeowner attempted to install new water service and found that there was no water coming out of the curbstop on Saturday. I tested it on Saturday morning and determined that the curbstop appeared normal but that there was no water coming from the 12" "water main" which is located across the street. I also determined that the curbstop and the attached 3/4" copper line were not clogged and were functioning properly. My initial analysis was that when Casale connected the 3/4" copper piping from the main to the curbstop that he inadvertently left the curbstop turned off; alas, this was not the case and, in fact he never connected the line to the water main pipe and did not even install the "corporation"!! as you know the "corporation" is the shut off valve which is required on every line which runs from the main pipe to the curbstop. I had Chip Kronau on Saturday install a new "corporation" and connect the 3/4" copper service line to it and the problem was solved. The homeowner then proceeded with his work which I inspected on Saturday and Sunday and the new installation was completed today, Monday. I have attached photos of the "corporation" installation for your information.

Respectfully,



Robert L. Brunet, P.E.









Scott Bidwell

April 17, 2019

Mr. Dominic Jacangelo
Town Supervisor – Town of Poestenkill
Poestenkill Town Hall
38 Davis Drive
P.O. Box 210
Poestenkill, NY 12140

Dear Mr. Jacangelo:

I am a homeowner at 8 Deer Creek Road in the town of Poestenkill, NY. I have owned this property since October 2002. Since then, I have sufficiently maintained my septic system, including having it pumped seven times, and I have never had any problems. On April 4, 2019, I hired Averill Park Septic to pump out my septic tank, a local company familiar with my septic system. Upon removing the cover, the technician, Brian, noted dried toilet paper and feces on the pipe leading into the tank from the house. Brian explained that the only way this situation was possible was if the tank had overflowed at some point. He attempted to pump out the entire contents of the tank, however he was unable to achieve this due to the water running back into the tank from the leach fields pipe. This was the first occurrence of this undesirable outcome.

Back in November/December of 2017, I came home to find trees cleared and Kevin Kronau Sr.'s land moving equipment plowing down the hill behind my house. Mr. Kronau reported that he was trying to grade the hill to make way for a new road between my house and my neighbor's house. At this time, he did not have plans to do this and admitted that he needed to have a topographical survey completed to make sure the road was completed the correct way. Due to the removal of numerous trees and vegetation and the overall change in the slope of the hill, all excess water from snow melt and rain storms is collecting in my yard and this is now creating this

problem with my septic system. I am concerned that if this is allowed to continue, my water supply from our well could become contaminated. Currently, the back right corner of my lot is wet and mushy on a regular basis.

I need this rectified immediately before any more damage is done to my septic system and water supply, thus threatening the overall wellbeing of my family and my overall property value. Mr. Kronau Sr. built this home and was aware of the proximity of his new "road" to my septic system before he graded this hill. I have spoken with Mr. Kronau Sr. without receiving any assurances that the situation will be rectified the proper way. Therefore, I am writing to you in an attempt to understand how this was allowed to happen and to rectify the matter before my leach fields need to be completely replaced. I have been very patient until now and I am asking for a satisfactory resolution to this issue. My home phone number is (518) 283-3535 and my cell number is (518) 339-8019. If you are calling during normal business hours, please use the cell number.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



Scott Bidwell

CC: Paul Barringer – Building Inspector & Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Poestenkill

Richard Elder – Rensselaer County Health Department

Steven F. McLaughlin – Rensselaer County Executive

Tom Russell – Chairman, Town of Poestenkill Planning Board

Robert W. Bayly – Rensselaer County Legislator

Kevin Kronau, Sr.

Robert L. Brunet, P.E. – Water Manager, Town of Poestenkill

Patricia Pinder – Department of Conservation, Region 4



**Agriculture
and Markets**

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MAY 10 2019

TOWN CLERK

May 8, 2019

Dominic Jacangelo
Town Supervisor - Town of Poestenkill
PO Box 210
Poestenkill, NY 12140

Enclosed is the **Dog Control Officer Inspection Report** completed on **05/07/2019**. This inspection relates to Agriculture and Markets Laws and Regulations which may be viewed on the website below.

As the report indicates, DCO services were rated "Satisfactory". Please make note of any comments listed on the report.

Dog control officer services are subject to inspection by this agency on a regular basis.

Please notify this office within 30 days of any changes in DCO services.

If you have any questions regarding this inspection, please call me.

Elizabeth Holmes
Animal Health Inspector
(518) 321-5002



Agriculture and Markets

ANDREW M. CUOMO
Governor

RICHARD A. BALL
Commissioner

April 26, 2019

Teresa Ptacek, Executive Director
Agricultural Stewardship Association
2531 State Route 40
Greenwich, NY 12834

Dear Ms. Ptacek:

I am pleased to inform you that the Department of Agriculture and Markets, through the Department's Dairy Transitions Farmland Protection Initiative, has awarded the Agricultural Stewardship Association the sum of **\$200,142**. Governor Andrew Cuomo has made farmland protection a priority for New York State, committing \$75 million in 2018 to farmland protection activities. This funding is to assist the land trust in a Purchase of Development Rights project to permanently protect the viable agricultural lands associated with the **Wagner Moody property** in Rensselaer County. This Farmland Protection Implementation Grants award is funded through the New York State Environmental Protection Fund.

Before state funds can be disbursed, a contract between the Department and the Agricultural Stewardship Association must be approved. To initiate the contract process, please fill out and return the enclosed forms in the self-addressed envelope. David Behm will be your principal contact for this contract and its associated project. He may be reached at 518-485-7729 or david.behm@agriculture.ny.gov.

Project expenditures that occur prior to the approval of the contract may not be reimbursed. Therefore, we strongly advise you not to incur any project expenses for which state reimbursement will be sought until after the contract is approved.

The Department looks forward to helping you with this important farmland protection implementation activity.

Sincerely,

Richard A. Ball
Commissioner

Enclosures (6)

cc: Kenneth Herrington, Chairperson, Rensselaer County AFPB
✓ Dominic Jacangelo, Supervisor, Town of Poestenkill
Wagner Farm Properties, LLC



RENSELAER COUNTY AGRICULTURAL AND HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

"The Schaghticoke Fair"

69 Stillwater Bridge Road * Schaghticoke, New York 12154

Phone: (518) 753- 4411 Fax: (518) 753-7720 www.schaghticokefair.com

May 7, 2019

Dear *Supervisor Jacangelo*

This is a follow-up to the enclosed letter that was sent out at the end of 2018 inviting your town to participate in the parade at the Schaghticoke Fair to celebrate the 200th anniversary. We are in the beginning process of planning the parade line up and hoping that every town will participate in this one time only event. The entry can be a float, a vehicle, marchers, etc., something that will identify your town.

If you have not already contacted Carly Ostrander, the fair manager, please do so by June 10th 2019 at manager@schaghticokefair.com or call the fair office at 518-753-4411 and let her know you are planning on participating.

Sincerely

Directors of the Rensselaer County Agricultural and Historical Society

Peter Bonnier, Sr.	Terrance Hoag	Daniel Requate
Dorothy Brock	John Luskin	Melvyn Rose
Jeffrey Calhoun	Kenneth Luskin	Judy Rowe
Bridget Chapko	Steve MacNeil	Robert Rowe
Ann Grab	Megan McGreevy	Mike Ryan
Verna Hansen	William McGreevy, Jr	David Tarbox
	David Moore	Audrey Williams

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December 19, 2018

Dear

Rensselaer County is celebrating a big anniversary this year! The Rensselaer County Agricultural and Horticultural Society would like you to be a part of celebrating the **200th Anniversary** of The Great Schaghticoke Fair!

In honor of the 200th, and our county's rich history, there will be a parade on the fairgrounds, during fair, on Saturday, August 31st. The parade will be followed by a fireworks display. The 200th Anniversary Committee is asking all the towns and villages within Rensselaer County to join in the celebration by creating a float for, and marching in, the 200th anniversary parade! Floats can be inspired by agriculture, horticulture, history, or something unique to your town/village! Participants themselves might come from the local school band, sports leagues, village offices, or other municipal groups. The idea here is to get as many people as possible involved in the fun (while building a parade that features the best of Rensselaer County)! We will also be offering special recognition to the villages and towns that participate.

We would love to discuss ideas and participation with you. We are also here to help in any way possible. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me personally. My email address is below. You can also always contact Carly Ostrander, our Fair Manager, at manager@schaghticokefair.com.

Thank you,

POESTENKILL TOWN COURT

POB 164
Poestenkill, NY 12140
518.286.1621 * 518.286.1691 [Fax]
thouser@nycourts.gov

Memorandum

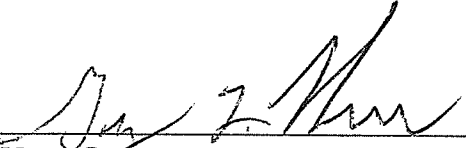
May 15, 2019

To: Poestenkill Town Board Members
From: Hon. Gregory T. Kronau
Hon. Thomas F. Slavin
RE: Court Clerk Transition

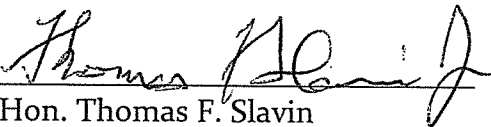
This serves as notification that as of June 3, 2019, Terry Houser will be stepping down from the Court Clerk position. Felicia Dickerson, who is presently the Court Clerk for the Town of North Greenbush will be replacing her.

Felicia will be working every Monday, and will maintain evening court hours, up to 20 hours a week. Terry will remain as her alternate for the time being.

We are looking forward to a smooth transition and we thank Terry for her time and service to the Town and the Court for the past last 17 years.



Hon. Gregory T. Kronau



Hon. Thomas F. Slavin

Hon. Gregory T. Kronau ♦ Hon. Thomas F. Slavin, Jr.



Planning Board

TOWN OF POESTENKILL

38 Davis Drive / P.O. Box 210

Poestenkill, NY 12140

(518) 283-5100 Phone

(518) 283-7550 Fax

PLANNING BOARD AGENDA

May 7, 2019

CANCELLED

7:30 Meeting Opens – Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes of the April 7, 2018 Meeting

Public Comments

Old Business:

Organization:

Other:

Bill Daniel	to attend May meetings
Don Heckelman	to attend June meetings
Harvey Teal	to attend July meetings



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Zoning Board of Appeals

AGENDA

Zoning Board of Appeals

May 14, 2019 @ 7:30 pm

MEETING OPENS – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Approve Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2019

New Applicant:

<u>Christine Anderson</u>	<u>Area Variance – Fence</u>
609 Snyder's Corner Rd.	125.-1-47

Applicant:

<u>Valerie & Jeff Rayno</u>	<u>Area Variance – In-law</u>
293 Rt. 355	125.-1-3.22

Organizational:

Other:

Tim Hoffay	to attend May Meetings
Paul Jamison	to attend June Meetings
Kevin McGrath	to attend July Meetings



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Zoning Board of Appeals

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

May 14, 2019 Minutes

Attendees:

Paul Jamison, Chairman
Kevin McGrath
Tim Hoffay
Susan Kalafut
Michael Colello
Nicole Heckelman, Alternate

Chairman Jamison opened the meeting at 7:30 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Returning Applicant:

<u>Valerie & Jeff Rayno</u>	<u>Area Variance – In-law</u>
293 Rt. 355	125.-1-3.22

Clerk Kane updated the Board of the Rayno's decision to eliminate the kitchen from their proposed addition and are moving forward with "an addition" with the Building Department and working with the Rensselaer County Health Department for septic review for the three additional bedrooms that were constructed. Application before this Board was withdrawn.

Resolution: Application withdrawn.

New Applicant:

<u>Christine Anderson</u>	<u>Area Variance – Fence</u>
609 Snyders Corner Rd.	125.-1-47

Applicant reviewed her request to place a six (6') foot fence (where four (4') foot fence is allowed) directly in front of her home – approximately 100' of the 407' frontage to reduce noise from traffic. The fence would not impede traffic and will not affect the corner at Heritage Way and Rt. 351. When questioned if she has utilized any other remedies, Applicant states there are trees and shrubbery (two trees recently taken down for safety) and with the increase in traffic, a four (4') foot fence would be ineffective. She is putting in professional, white stockade fence and showed the Board a few photographs of the fence and portions of the yard involved. Motion to schedule a Public Hearing on June 11, 2019 made

by Member Colello, seconded by Member Kalafut and approved by five (5) ayes, zero (0) nays and zero (0) abstentions.

Resolution: Public Hearing scheduled for June 11, 2019.

Organizational:

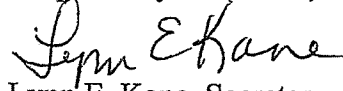
The Board reviewed and discussed briefly Section 150-76, Non-conforming Use of the Town Code. No action taken.

Minutes:

The minutes of the Board meeting on March 12, 2019 were reviewed. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Member Kalafut, seconded by Member Hoffay and approved by a vote of four (4) ayes, zero (0) nays and one (1) abstention by Member Colello.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Member Colello, seconded by Member Kalafut and approved by five (5) ayes, zero (0) nays and zero (0) abstentions. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Lynn E. Kane, Secretary

3:29 PM
05/09/19
Accrual Basis

Poestenkill Fire Company
Custom Summary Report
April 2019

	Apr 19
Income	
National Grid Solar Rebate	1,802.41
Total Income	1,802.41
Gross Profit	1,802.41
Expense	
Building Fuel (heating)	
East Poestenkill (propane)	156.24
Main Station (Propanel)	903.99
Total Building Fuel (heating)	1,060.23
Building Maintance	
East Poestenkill	17.77
Refuse	169.73
Total Building Maintance	187.50
Electric	
East Poestenkill	49.49
Main Station	21.02
Total Electric	70.51
Equipment	
New Equipment	1,338.73
Total Equipment	1,338.73
Fire Trucks	
Fuel	674.00
Total Fire Trucks	674.00
Internet & Phone	111.52
Medical Supplies	26.04
Physicals	600.00
Professional Services	907.50
Security Alarm	65.00
Solar	283.53
Sponsorship	250.00
Telephone	
East Poestenkill	40.47
Main Station	50.48
Total Telephone	90.95
Total Expense	5,665.51
Net Income	<u><u>-3,863.10</u></u>

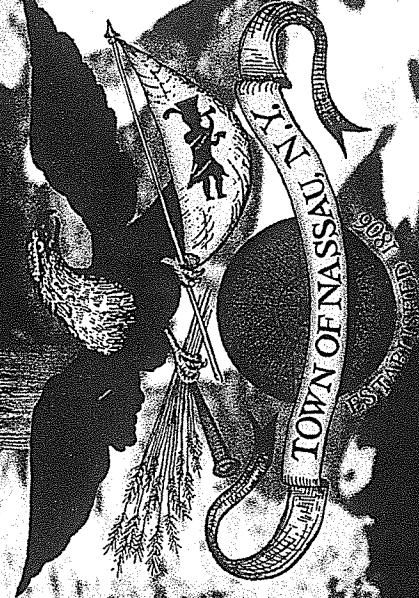
EXPLORE the Town of NASSAU

Rensselaer County, New York

Nature Preserve Hiking Guide

Enjoyment in every season!

COME EXPLORE



The Town of Nassau is filled with rugged natural beauty and public spaces and is a gateway to the Rensselaer Plateau.

Mud Pond Preserve

Town of Nassau Property
591 Central Nassau Road, Nassau

OPEN DAWN until DUSK

▲ **Opened in 2013**, the Mud Pond Preserve is a nearly 100 acre tract of land that is owned by the Town of Nassau and is located in nearly the geographic center of the town.

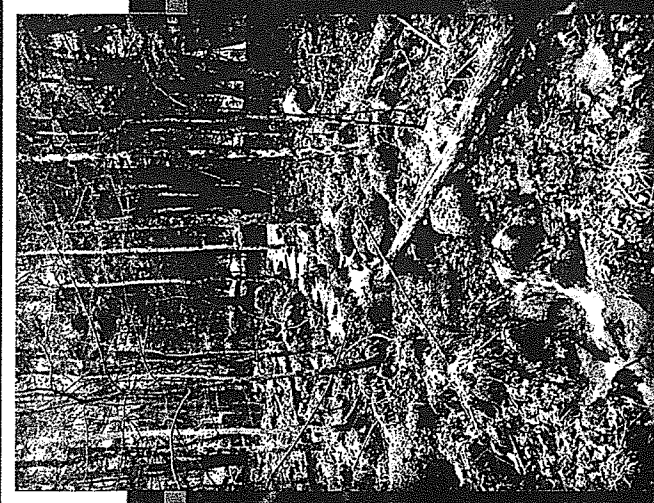
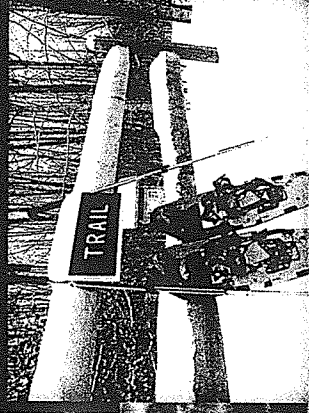
This area contains a unique and complex ecosystem centered on a rich peat system known as Mud Pond.

The nearly six acre pond is surrounded by approximately 700 acres of forest and is home to important and rare flora and fauna

The trails are constructed to limit impacts on sensitive habitat areas.

Trails totaling approximately 2.5 miles provide exploration opportunities of diverse habitat.

More information is available at townofnassau.org



Albert Family Community Forest

Rensselaer Plateau Alliance Property
120 Hayes Road, East Nassau

OPEN DAWN until DUSK

▲ **Officially opened in 2017**, this 353 acre parcel features old homesteads, wetlands, deep gullies and unique rock piles. Picnic areas are also located on designated trails.

Trails totaling approximately 4 miles of Plateau habitat

in a diversity of forest features.





Stewart Preserve

Nature Conservancy Property
39 Stewart Lane, Sand Lake Entrance

OPEN DAWN until DUSK

▲ **Original portions of the Stewart Preserve** were acquired in 1966 and subsequently added property has created a nearly 123 acre parcel comprised of rolling hardwood and hemlock forest and some minor wetland areas.

The trailhead and parking are located in Sand Lake off of Stewart Lane (accessible from Methodist Farm Road) with the majority of the property (103 acres) in the Town of Nassau.

Trails total approximately 2 miles of moderate walks through a mostly hardwood forest and numerous species of ferns.

More information is available online at the Nature Conservancy preserve pages.

Kinderhook Creek Preserve

Rensselaer Land Trust Property
300 Martha Hicks Road, East Nassau

OPEN DAWN until DUSK

▲ **Opened in 2015,** the Kinderhook Creek Preserve is an 85 acre "working forest."

The Preserve contains a wide variety of ecosystems including cliffs, hemlock-hardwood swamp, riverside sand and gravel bars, and six forest types, providing habitat for wildlife and rare plants.

In addition to a one-half mile of creek shoreline, the area includes 5 miles of hiking trails.

More information is available at renstrust.org



RENSSELAER PLATEAU

You may not know that the Town of Nassau is a gateway community to the Rensselaer Plateau. The Plateau is one of the largest and most ecologically intact native habitats in New York State covering approximately 105,000 acres.

The Plateau's relatively high elevations and cool climate, acidic soils, and its poor drainage contribute to plants, forests, and wetlands more similar to the Adirondacks than to the surrounding local area.

The Plateau is also estimated to be the fifth largest forested region in New York State.

▲ We encourage you to explore the Plateau, our community recreation areas and to learn more about this important economic and ecological asset in Nassau.

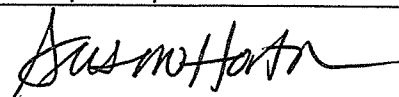


#RensselaerPlateau

TOWN CLERK'S MONTHLY REPORT
Town of Poestenkill, New York
April 2019

TO THE SUPERVISOR: Pursuant to Section 27, Subd. 1, of the Town Law, I hereby make the following statement of all fees and moneys received by me in connection with my office during the payment of

Conservation Fees to the Town:	\$ 11.04
	\$
Marriage License @ \$ 7.50 each	
Marriage Certificate @ \$10.00 each	\$
Marriage Transcript @ \$10.00 each	\$
A1255 Total Town Clerk Fees	\$ 11.04
Peddler's Permit	\$ 50.00
A1289 Registrar	\$
A2655 Minor Sales - Copies (certified copy) -	\$ 10.00
A2530 Games of Chance (Bell Jar)	\$
A2544 Local Fee for dogs	\$ 228.00
A2115 Planning Board Fees \$50 Zoning Board Fees \$71.34	\$ 121.34
A2555 Building Permits	\$ 1015.00
A2501 Junkyard License	
A2268 Impoundment fees	\$
A2720 Water Meter Fee - \$235 1001 Water Benefit Charge -	
A2240 Misc. Water Charges -	\$
A-2706 - SUMMER CAMP (CREDIT CARD)	\$ 189.00
A2710 Water Permit Fee \$40	\$
1001 Water billing - \$15,817.39	
Total Water Charges	\$16,092.39
REVENUE TO SUPERVISOR	\$17,716.77
Amount paid to State Comptroller for Games Chance License	\$
Amount paid to DEC for Conservation Licenses	\$ 188.96
Amount paid to AG. And Markets for fee for unsprayed/unneutered Dog program	\$ 58.00
Amount paid to State Health Dept. for Marriage Licenses	\$
TOTAL DISBURSED	\$ 246.96
May 3, 2019 Dominic Jacangelo, Supervisor	
TOTAL AMOUNT RECEIVED BY CLERK	\$17,963.73
State of New York, County of Rensselaer, Town of Poestenkill, Susan Horton, being duly sworn says that she is the Clerk of the Town of Poestenkill the foregoing is a full and true statement of all Fees and Moneys received by her during April Fees the application and payment of which are otherwise provided by law subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of May 2019.	





OFFICE OF THE
ASSESSOR

Town of Poestenkill

38 Davis Drive | P.O. Box 210
Poestenkill, NY 12140
518.283.5100 (Phone)
518.283.7550 (Fax)

TO: POESTENKILL TOWN BOARD
FROM: BRIAN M. JACKSON/ ASSESSOR

ASSESSOR'S REPORT FOR APRIL 2019

All changes to be added to the tentative roll are now being completed and readied for the tentative roll to be printed. The County office prints the rolls as well as the change notices that need to be mailed by May 1st. The dates that the assessor sits with the roll are stated on these notices and Grievance Day is set for May 30th. The roll is available for anyone to review and it is also listed on the Town website. Any corrections of changes because of the Board of Assessment Review meeting on the 30th are then sent to the County for finalization.

We continue to review new deeds and they are processed. We were able to get all Enhanced STAR recipients switched to the mandatory Income Verification Program (IVP).

Constituent relations continue to be good during this period.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian M. Jackson
Assessor
Town of Poestenkill

cc: Susan Horton, Town Clerk

Town of Poestenkill
Office of the Water Department
P.O. Box 210
Poestenkill, NY 12140

Memorandum

To: Town supervisor- Dominic Jacangelo
Town Board Members Butler, Wohlleber, Hass, Van Slyke

From: Robert Brunet, P.E. / Water Manager *RLB*

Date: May 09, 2019

RE: Monthly Activities (Apr-May)

Monthly Activities – (Apr-May)

811 Report: All Dig Safe daily requests were received and responded to appropriately. Now that the weather is more moderate the volume of requests is increasing, to approximately 2 to 3 locate and markout requests per week.

Water Report:

From an overall viewpoint--- everything is going well, except unaccounted for water, and normal maintenance is being performed as required. Additionally, we have been investing a significant effort on updating and maintaining our water facilities. We have upgraded our efforts at leak locating, beginning with fire hydrant leakage. Our next step is to focus on our curbstops, with the belief that the leakages are on the residents' side of the curbstops, between the curbstops and the meters, an area of the system which is not monitored. If the leakages are found here, the repair is the responsibility of the homeowner, but it is up to us to identify the leaking facility. We will periodically discuss results as we progress. This effort is our prime focus of attention and I fear will take considerable time and dedication to fix the problems.

Performed required NYSDOH functions for our system; for example take daily (7 days per week) water data at pump house, add chlorine as required, and test water sample at Town Hall. This information is then entered into the NYSDOH 360 REPORT on a daily basis.

Received the 1st and 2nd quarter THM and Halocetic test results from Bender Labs which were all satisfactory; I plan to take the NYSDOH required third quarter samples in the beginning of July.

The Town water test samples and samples for three of our residents who wanted, at their expense, to test their wells were delivered to Bender Labs (St. Peters) in Albany for testing.

Performed work on our “Street Valve Exercise Program” to prioritize and exercise the critical street valves in our system.

Performed work on our “Hydrant Maintenance Program” (exercising, lubricating, flushing, etc.).

The “low” meter unit at the underground meter pit on Spring Avenue Extension and Creek Road became defective, likely the result of the recent Brunswick fire hydrant incident; this is not negatively affecting our water operations. However, we are working with Bill Bradley (Brunswick Water Manager) and he has agreed to fix the problem and we agreed to split the cost with him (this will save Poestenkill money since, under normal circumstances, we are contractually responsible to maintain and repair the unit) .

On April 17th attended the AWWA annual “Operators Day” training at the Saratoga City Center.

Replaced starter cord and associated items on portable 5KW generator and “routine” generator.

On Saturday 5/4/2019 we performed the monthly maintenance functions on the large emergency generator located at the pump station; some of these functions involved running the generator for a period of time and checking the output voltages for accuracy. Also performed the monthly operational test on the 5 KW generator used for field emergency issues.

Working on the Quail Meadows and the Lochvue subdivision issues, mostly involving water service connection to new residences.

Prepared and Submitted required NYSDOH Monthly 360 Report (for April) and Bender Labs reports to the RCDOH. All Bender Lab test results for the month were satisfactory.

Inspected 3 new water installation.

On May 3rd met with RCDOH employee, Amanda Serafini, to review strategic documents for the Town of Poestenkill concerning Municipal Water Operations.

Performed repair operations at 31 Furry Rd. and 80 Weatherwax Rd., after locating the buried curbstop pipes; the 3.5 inch caps were missing. The curbstops had been broken below ground level and we used a 12” adapter pipe to repair and thereby saved an estimated contractor expenditure of over \$1,500.

Repaired the broken street valve located on Ronald Drive; again, saved the Town a contractor expense of approximately \$ 800.

3 new meters were installed and inspected.

Handled appropriate customer billing issues.

Worked on various Town Undertakings (ie: Lochvue and Quail Meadow, for example)

Working with Tigerflow in Texas (the designer of our pump house system) on ways to enhance our operation and minimize potential service interruptions.

Worked with other groups on special studies such as Subdivision Issues-Water District requirements and Drainage District establishment requirements (Town Laws 111-DRAINAGE DISTRICTS, 195-SUBDIVISION OF LAND and 220-WATER), ISO and Rennselaer County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update, Flood Plain Management, etc.

IMPORTANT EMERGENCY SITUATION: At 9:40 PM, on Tuesday evening, April 23rd I received a call from the Automated Calling Unit (ACU) at the pump station to my cell phone identifying a problem at the pump station. The following e-mail to Dom discusses the problem and our actions:

HELLO DOM,
WE HAD A SITUATION LAST NIGHT INVOLVING A BRUNSWICK WATER MAIN BREAK AT LANCING RD. AND SPRING AVE EXT. I GOT A CALL FROM THE ACU at the PUMP STATION TO MY CELL PHONE LAST NIGHT AT 9:40 PM STATING THAT THERE WAS A PROBLEM AT THE PUMP STATION. WE WENT TO THE PUMP STATION AND FOUND THAT OUR PUMPS WERE TEMPORARILY OFF DUE TO THE LOW INTAKE PRESSURE SITUATION--THE PRESSURE WAS 10 PSI. WE TURNED THE PUMPS TOTALLY OFF MANUALLY AND CALLED BILL BRADLEY AT 10 PM AND HE STATED THAT HE HAD JUST RECEIVED A CALL THAT HE HAD A WATER MAIN BREAK. WE VISITED THE SITE DURING THE NIGHT AND THE REPAIR WAS MADE A COUPLE OF HOURS AGO. BILL IS IN THE PROCESS OF FLUSHING HIS HYDRANTS AND HOPEFULLY, WE WILL NOT HAVE A REPEAT OF THE LAST PROBLEM WE RECENTLY HAD. WE REMINDED BILL AND SUGGESTED THAT HE NOT USE THE 3/4" HOSE LIKE LAST TIME FOR FLUSHING. HE COMPLIED AND IS USING THE HYDRANTS TO FLUSH PROPERLY. AT THIS TIME, OUR INPUT PRESSURE IS UP TO 100 PSI BUT I AM STILL AWAITING A CALL FROM BILL SAYING THAT HIS FLUSHING IS COMPLETE. I STILL PLAN ON LEAVING THE PUMPS OFF FOR A WHILE, LETTING THE SYSTEM "SETTLE DOWN" AND IT IS GOOD TO LET OUR TANK GRAVITY FEED OUR SYSTEM. AT THIS TIME I PLAN TO TURN OUR PUMPS BACK ON THIS PM. I WILL KEEP YOU INFORMED.
REGARDS,
BOB

We synchronized and restarted the pumps at noon on Wednesday April 24th. Additionally, because water discoloration was evident to some residents on Spring Avenue Extension and partially on Rt. 355, we placed information on our website and performed hydrant flushing at 16 locations.

IMPORTANT WEEKEND EMERGENCY SITUATION-HOMEOWNER CONNECTION TO WATER SYSTEM: On Saturday morning, May 4th I received a call from a resident who was encountering a problem while attempting to hook up to our Municipal Water System. The attached memorandum to Dom Jacangelo discusses the problem and our actions:

IMPORTANT ITEM REQUIRING FOLLOW-UP ACTION BY US: Met with Chris Goodrich – ARM Systems (EJP-Prescott) and Kurt Bonnet – Territory Manager – (Mueller Systems) on March 12th to enlist support in our customer billing system and also to discuss upcoming changes in our meter reading equipment and transmitter availability which will effect Poestenkill; by taking important (and inexpensive) steps now we will be able to avoid costly

expenses in the future (approximately 2 years with a potential savings to Poestenkill of \$ 15,000 or more); **We have to make a decision prior to June 15th to receive the special pricing.** I will keep you informed of our progress on this subject. My recommendation is that we accept the package for approximately \$15,000 which includes 32 meters (ME-8 Registers with a 25' cable desired), a new handheld reader, a new Panasonic Toughbook Computer and software, Mi.Node Transceiver Package with software and one year of Mueller Software Support. In my opinion, this package meets our needs for a couple of years and optimizes the financial aspects of the transaction. It should further be mentioned that since the \$15,000 includes the cost of 32 new meters, that the Town will be paid approximately \$8,000 for the meters by the residents as they connect; therefore the total cost to the Town will be approximately \$7,000. Since we do not have the monies in this years' budget, I said to Chris Goodrich that if we decided to proceed that the billing payment would not occur before the beginning of 2020---he stated that he could do that.

QUAIL MEADOW SUBDIVISION-PHASE 2: Working with Kronau Construction on the design, installation, and acceptance testing and inspections of the water system for Phase 2. Met with Ron Brock (Kronau Construction) to establish and discuss specific installation and testing standards required for the Phase 2 water installation at Quail Meadows, both the water mains and the curbstops installations to individual homes. The Town has already received \$2,000 from Kronau for these services on Phase 2 and. Kronau is beginning the work for Phase 2 in the near future; equipment is already on site; I will keep you informed of our progress.



TOWN OF POESTENKILL

38 Davis Drive, P.O. 210
Poestenkill, NY 12140

May 9, 2019

To: Dominic Jacangelo
Town Board members

From: Paul Barringer – Code Enforcement Officer/MS 4 Official

Re: March 2019 work activities

My work hours for the month totaled 39 1/2. Fees collected through this office totaled \$1015.. Fees included 4 renewals, 2 above ground swimming pool permits, one demolition permit issued, one electrical permit for a garage under construction, and a mail request.

Activities included:

- Additional complaint received from a neighbor concerning illegal dumping of trees, shrubs, possible construction debris, etc. on adjacent property where the truck traffic imperils the safety of the neighbors' children. Investigated and found a large pile of debris. Consulted with DEC and will continue the investigation when the weather breaks (recent snowfall prevented an immediate investigation). Sent a Cease and Desist letter to the property owner (dated 3/18/2018). Will provide follow up information. **Update: DEC indicated they will be investigating and I will be invited to their inspection of the premises. At this time, DEC has not notified me when the inspection will take place. Update: DEC investigation found materials not permitted under their legislation and found an abundance of tires, possibly exceeding their allowable threshold without a permit in place. Further investigation by DEC and possible fines. At the time of this report, DEC has not informed the building department of any formal action. Code enforcement had issued a cease and desist order for the questionable dumping. The dumping continued, and it was formally posted. The site is a salvage yard and the permit to operate has not been renewed at this time pending the full investigation and the determination by DEC the operations do not violate their regulations. Remains the same- will be updated next month's report. No change from the August report. Still waiting for DEC report and action. No change from the September. report except to report that DEC has contacted me stating there is some activity to be expected but no date given. No**

change from last report. Status still the same for this report; awaiting DEC report. Additional update: The area of the collection of the debris, both acceptable and unacceptable materials, has been bulldozed over and buried as well as left uncovered. The area of soil disturbance potentially is greater than 1 acre, a violation of MS4 regulations. Waiting for the weather to break to confirm. In addition, a conversation for an update with DEC Materials Division indicated they are still in the investigation stage for the operation possibly violating a previous consent order. Status update: The owner called inquiring about the status of his junk yard permit. I informed him that he must be in compliance to DEC regulations and town regulations prior to the issuance of the permit and a full review of his operation is required. Mr. Cooper maintains the junk yard is a separate parcel and therefore a separate operation and shouldn't be impacted by the potential dumping violations. Further review of the file related to his claim shall take place prior to the lifting of the CEASE AND DESIST ORDER. UPDATE: A review thus far does not support owner's claim that the junk yard operates as a separate parcel. Still reviewing operation with DEC assistance.

- Reviewing a complaint of a non-conforming use operation in a residential neighborhood. The town attorney, zoning and planning boards are involved in the review. Met with the owner of the property to review operations and inspect for possible code violations. One reported violation was found to be unfounded for non-registered motor vehicles. Condition of the property will be reviewed after the review is completed by the zoning/planning boards. **Update: Files have been researched and in the process of review. Met with owners of the property and business on 12/27/18. Owner maintains that the operation is "grandfathered" that would allow present use/occupancy. Research completed does not support owner's belief of existing variance for operation. Business owner stated he is actively seeking approval in adjacent town to relocate the business. Discussed with Mr. Basle progress thus far. Will update next month for action taken. STATUS UPDATE: A letter dated March 7 was sent to the owners citing the violations and informing the owners there was no documentation to support their position. They received the letter March 29 and was given 30 days to respond as stipulated by NYS Uniform Building and Fire Code before the actual citation can be issued. STATUS UPDATE: Received a phone call from Attorney Lawrence Howard who said he spoke with Town Attorney Jack Casey. Mr. Howard stated he just received the case from his client and wished for time to review the information and schedule a meeting. Update next month.**
- Reviewing town ordinance related to above and sending letters to known violators reminding them of the ordinance with the goal of voluntary compliance. One eviction letter was sent to a homeowner related to the above and the occupation of the rental unit that has not received a

certificate of occupancy for the building permit that had expired. There is also evidence of a change of use of the structure located within the hamlet. **Update: at the time of this report, no response has been received from the violators except one. Will follow through by next month's meeting. At this time, the owner has not responded to the letter and formal proceedings will begin with the posting of the property and citation issued.**

STATUS UPDATE: No correspondence have been received from either property owner. Next stage is scheduling court appearances.

- Investigated two complaints where and an excessive number of unregistered motor vehicles are stored on the premises in violation of the NYS Uniform Building and Fire Code. One location has reportedly been allowing vehicles to be stripped of parts. In addition, the location may have illegally occupied a 2nd floor room over the garage. I met with this owner who stated he will be removing the vehicles within 60 days and will arrange for an inspection of the premises for compliance. I spoke with the owner of the other location and he initially indicated he will not be complying with the code. Further updates to follow. **Status same.**
- Reviewing existing files on ongoing building permits with the long-term intent of closing out files. Conducting field inspections as necessary to close out the permits. With the assistance of Lynn Kane, permits have been reviewed, phone calls and/or letters have been made/sent with a small degree of success. Five building permits were closed during the month of April; one received a Certificate of Occupancy with the remaining receiving Certificate of Compliance.
- There are 7 existing open building permits for new house construction. Three of the houses are long term projects with extensions. One house is listed for sale and no further work is expected at this time; one work permit will be suspended when the permit expiration date is met. There is one open building permits for an addition and 1 pole barn (permit extended 9/18) that are under review for compliance awaiting required documentation to close out the building permit. Onsite inspections have taken place for compliance to the building code.
- One letter for a building that was constructed without appropriate permits was delivered by Rensselaer County Sherriff's Dept. to the homeowner in attempt to bring the homeowner in compliance with New York State and Town of Poestenkill Code Regulations and laws. Still open. Court date is being pursued to bring the owner in compliance. The owner came into the office to discuss a resolution. It was agreed to allow the owner some time to the results of the discussion and to come to a decision. The end time for the resolution was not discussed but it was agreed that the owner will accept correspondence from this office. **Update: Still open. Owner met with me to receive a building permit application and schedule a review of the premise prior to approving the building permit. The owner has not yet scheduled the review. An appearance ticket for a court date was issued to the owners for 11/19/18. Court appearance was rescheduled**

for 11/26/2018 and the owner agreed to provide the stamped building plans, open the premises for inspection and review for the Code Enforcement Official, and pay for the building permit. Stamped plans were received and the homeowner is going to submit the application with fee. At this time, the homeowner has not submitted a completed application with the appropriate fee. The homeowner is questioning the building permit fee and has had a discussion with the town assessor to determine the property tax impact. Reminder phone calls have been made. By the time of the next monthly report, the matter will be discussed with the town attorney, if no application and fee has been received. The town attorney was informed and his assistance was requested. No further update. STATUS UPDATE: The owner paid for the building permit and will be closed as finished prior to the next monthly report. STATUS UPDATE: Permit issued.

- **MS4:** Soil disturbance was observed at Quail Meadows; weekly reports have not resumed. Develop was notified via phone. No disturbance noted at Lochvue however weekly reports have resumed and deficiencies have been noted each week without any corrections from the developer. Annual report completed and filed with DEC.
- Attended Planning Board meeting on April 2nd and updated members on FEMA floodplain requirements for participating members of the National Flood Insurance Program.
- Fielded a number of phone calls inquiring about building code compliance for future projects from town residents.
- One business had been contacted to schedule an inspection as required by the NYS Building and Fire Code and waiting for a response from the contact person. No change in status.

Paul F. Barringer



Michelle Asquith

From: Bob Guyer <straydawg302@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 9:55 PM
To: Michelle Asquith
Subject: Re: Monthly Report

April Animal Control

Total calls 19

Wildlife - 6
Dig Running at large - 10
Complaints - 3

Bob Guyer
Animal Control Officer

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S10+, an AT&T 5G Evolution capable smartphone

----- Original message -----

From: Michelle Asquith <secpoest@nycap.rr.com>
Date: 5/8/19 3:58 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: 'Bob Guyer' <straydawg302@gmail.com>
Subject: Monthly Report

Hello,

Can I get your monthly report for the board meeting.

Thank you,

Michelle



Town of Poestenkill
Office of the Highway Superintendent
P.O. Box 210
Poestenkill, NY 12140
(518) 283-4144

To: Town supervisor- Dominic Jacangelo
Town Board Members Butler, Wohlleber, Hass, Van Slyke

From: Highway Superintendent- Toby Chadwick

Date: May 9, 2019

RE: Highway Activities
April 12 ,2019- May 9, 2019

1. Crew been out patching holes.
2. Crew had spring clean up April 29, 2019- May 3, 2019
3. Crew been sweeping the roads
4. Crew been working in shop repairs for inspection
5. Crew been changing oil and filters on all equipment