

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

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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 than 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

