

RED HOOK TOWN BOARD MEETING
September 11, 2018

A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook, Dutchess County, New York was convened in public session at the Town Hall, 7340 South Broadway, Red Hook at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Robert McKeon
Councilman Harry Colgan
Councilman William O'Neill
Councilperson Sarah Imboden
Councilperson Christine Kane
Town Clerk Sue McCann

Also Present: Attorney Christine Chale

Supervisor McKeon called the meeting to order and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

The Supervisor's report dated August 31, 2018 was read as follows: Opening balance - \$5,704,024.47; Receipts - \$219,058.52; Disbursed - \$319,928.69; Balance - \$5,603,154.30. Supervisor McKeon said there is over one million dollars in the Community Preservation Fund. (CPF). Budget adjustments were explained.

On a motion of Councilman O'Neill seconded by Councilman Colgan moved to approve the Supervisors report and budget adjustments.

Adopted	Ayes	5	McKeon, Colgan, O'Neill, Imboden, Kane
	Nays	0	

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TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The Town Clerk's report for the period of August 1 – 31, 2018 was read as follows: Amount remitted to the Supervisor - \$1,311,83; Amount remitted to NYS Ag. & Markets - \$53.00; Amount remitted to NYS Dept. of Health - \$135.00; Amount remitted to NYS DEC - \$3,149.17; Total State, County & Local revenue - \$4,649.00.

Abstracts

May 2018 – Voucher #'s 23368 through 23475 – total abstract - \$152,346.44

June 2018 – Voucher #'s 23476 through 23681 – total abstract - \$656,551.92

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supervisor McKeon announced the following:

- Primary election will take place on September 13 from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- Hardscrabble Day – September 15 beginning at 10 a.m.
- Information session on Wednesday night for neighbors of Mill Pond regarding a grant application for a potential micro-hydro installation next to the dam on Mill Road.
- A grant was awarded for two electric passenger vans for seniors and disabled, with a match coming from the Ascenzio Foundation.
- Hazardous Waste event through the County will take place on October 26. Pre-registration required.

Councilperson Imboden announced the new website and lists residents can subscribe to.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Supervisor McKeon opened for comments.

Linda Keeling asked about taxes on a particular property.

Town Clerk Sue McCann asked specifics then explained.

Linda Keeling had a question about the security of the new Town website, and commented that she can't see full pictures.

Councilperson Imboden will investigate her security concern.

Linda Keeling asked about certain pages on the new site.

Councilperson Imboden suggested sending her an email or an email to the Supervisor's Secretary with concerns.

Ken Migliorelli asked about revisiting the Freeborn Lane change of ownership that started about a year ago. He would like the Board to move forward with a decision.

Supervisor McKeon apologized for not moving quickly, but it is moving forward. The next phase is coming up with an estimate of escrow which will be used for legal review, planning review and all things that are going to be considered.

Ken said the road has been closed for thirty years. If the Town was to do something with the road, it would have been done.

RECREATIONAL NEEDS ASSESSMENT UPDATE

Supervisor McKeon explained that Brandee Nelson, from our engineering firm Tighe & Bond is working on updating our needs assessment on Rec. Park West. We've been notified by Winnakee Land Trust that they will receive their grant to create the parking and trailhead and connection on Rec. Park West as part of the Village to Village trail system. It is a \$75,000 grant that will be matched with another \$75,000.

GREENWAY GRANT AWARD – RECREATION PARK WEST PARKING/TRAILHEAD/CONNECTION

Brandee Nelson, Tighe & Bond, gave an update on the need's assessment. In general, they conducted an inventory of all municipally owned fields in the Town. Their full scope of use will be evaluated. In addition, they completed an assessment of the HS field facilities and the Father Carroll Field. She explained the work being done. They are also working on getting a community survey out. Once all data is received it will be processed in order to present a full picture. At this point they are on track to have the report by the end of the month.

RED CHURCH CEMETERY – ESTABLISHING A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING OF LOCAL LAW E REGARDING RED CHURCH CEMETERY

Supervisor McKeon referred to the work done with the cemetery since the Town acquired it.

Ken Migliorelli asked how it was acquired.

Supervisor McKeon explained that it was abandoned.

Councilperson Imboden explained that there is a formal process since being turned over to the Town. She explained further.

Supervisor McKeon explained the proposed Local Law authorizing the adoption of fees for the operation of the cemetery. A public hearing must to be held.

RESOLUTION 2018 #50

RE: ESTABLISHING A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE ADOPTION BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF RED HOOK OF LOCAL LAW E (PROPOSED) OF 2018 REGARDING RED CHURCH CEMETERY

On a motion of Supervisor Robert McKeon seconded by Councilperson Christine Kane moved to hold the public hearing on September 26, 2018 at 7:45 p.m.

Adopted	Ayes	5	McKeon, Colgan, O'Neill, Imboden, Kane
	Nays	0	

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RESOLUTION 2018 #51

RE: APPROVING RULES AND REGULATIONS, AUTHORIING SCHEDULE OF FEES, AND APPROVING OPERATIONS PLAN FOR RED CHURCH CEMETERY

On a motion of Councilman William O'Neill seconded by Councilperson Christine Kane moved to approve the resolution.

Adopted	Ayes	5	McKeon, Colgan, O'Neill, Imboden, Kane
	Nays	0	

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FOLLOW UP DISCUSSION – NYS S.A.L.T. WORK AROUND LEGISLATION – CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS

Supervisor McKeon referred to the proposal regarding charitable contributions. The IRS issued a ruling saying they will not honor those donations. The ability to enact the program adopted in Albany would be of little benefit.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE EXTENSION TO AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES BETWEEN THE TOWN OF RED HOOK AND VRI ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES FOR OPERATION OF THE TOWN WATER DISTRICT

Supervisor McKeon explained that we have had a contract with VRI for about three years. The Chair of the Water Board sent a letter recommending that the contract be extended.

RESOLUTION 2018 #52

RE: AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (WATER SYSTEMS OPERATOR – WATER DISTRICT #1) BETWEEN THE TOWN OF RED HOOK AND VRI ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC.

On a motion of Supervisor Robert McKeon seconded by Councilperson Sarah Imboden moved to approve the resolution.

Adopted Ayes 5 McKeon, Colgan, O’Neill, Imboden, Kane
 Nays 0

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DISCUSSION/RESOLUTION – DISTRICT PROCEEDINGS – HOFFMAN TND

Supervisor McKeon explained that districts need to be created as part of the development. Attorney Chale explained a part of the Planning Board process. Because this development is in the TND, it has different features. She explained the requirements for a lighting district, backup storm drainage district and a backup sidewalk district.

RESOLUTION 2018 #53

RE: SETTING PUBLIC HEARING - ESTABLISHMENT OF THE HOFFMAN TND LIGHTING DISTRICT, TOWN OF RED HOOK, COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

On a motion of Supervisor Robert McKeon seconded by Councilperson Sarah Imboden moved to set the public hearing for September 26, 2018 at 7:55 p.m.

Adopted Ayes 5 McKeon, Colgan, O’Neill, Imboden, Kane
 Nays 0

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RESOLUTION 2018 #54

RE: SETTING PUBLIC HEARING - ESTABLISHMENT OF THE HOFFMAN TND BACK-UP STORM DRAINAGE DISTRICT, TOWN OF RED HOOK, COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

On a motion of Supervisor Robert McKeon seconded by Councilperson Sarah Imboden moved to set the public hearing for September 26, 2018 at 8:00 p.m.

Adopted Ayes 5 McKeon, Colgan, O’Neill, Imboden, Kane
 Nays 0

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RESOLUTION 2018 #55

RE: SETTING PUBLIC HEARING - ESTABLISHMENT OF THE HOFFMAN TND BACK-UP SIDEWALK DISTRICT, TOWN OF RED HOOK, COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

On a motion of Supervisor Robert McKeon seconded by Councilperson Sarah Imboden moved to set the public hearing for September 26, 2018 at 8:05 p.m.

Adopted Ayes 5 McKeon, Colgan, O’Neill, Imboden, Kane
 Nays 0

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Attorney Chale explained two other resolutions that will be presented at a later date. One is in regard to relocation of a drainage easement and the other is in regard to offers of cession for roads and easements for Hoffman subdivision section 1.

REORGANIZATION

Supervisor McKeon brought up the Community Preservation Fund Committee appointments.

On a motion of Supervisor McKeon seconded by Councilperson Kane moved to reappoint Mary Ann Johnson to the Community Preservation Fund Committee for a term to expire December 31, 2020.

Adopted Ayes 5 McKeon, Colgan, O'Neill, Imboden, Kane
 Nays 0

On a motion of Supervisor McKeon seconded by Councilman Colgan move to reappoint Mary Ann Johnson as Chair of the Community Preservation Fund Committee for a term to expire December 31, 2018.

Adopted Ayes 5 McKeon, Colgan, O'Neill, Imboden, Kane
 Nays 0

On a motion of Supervisor McKeon seconded by Councilperson Kane moved to reappoint Ann Conway, Lisa Foscolo, Vicki Perry, Matthew Braydich, Joey Shavelle and Theresa Burke to the Communications Committee for a term to expire December 31, 2018

Adopted Ayes 5 McKeon, Colgan, O'Neill, Imboden, Kane
 Nays 0

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Supervisor McKeon opened for comments.

Alex Wolf asked about a survey done for Rec. Park West and current use of the lands other than sports. He asked about combined little league play with Rhinebeck.

Brandee Nelson did talk to the Recreation Director regarding the schedules.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion of Supervisor McKeon seconded by Councilperson Kane moved to go into Executive Session at 8:38 p.m. regarding negotiations with the Highway union.

Adopted Ayes 5 McKeon, Colgan, O'Neill, Imboden, Kane
 Nays 0

On a motion of Councilman O'Neill seconded by Councilperson Imboden moved to adjourn Executive session at 9:53 p.m.

Adopted Ayes 5 McKeon, Colgan, O'Neill, Imboden, Kane
 Nays 0

On a motion of Supervisor McKeon seconded by Councilman Colgan moved to adjourn the Town Board meeting at 9:54 p.m.

Adopted Ayes 5 McKeon, Colgan, O'Neill, Imboden, Kane
 Nays 0

Respectfully submitted,

Sue McCann, Town Clerk