

RED HOOK TOWN BOARD MEETING

July 12, 2016

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 James Ross
Councilman William O’Neill
Councilperson Sarah Imboden
Town Clerk Sue McCann
Absent: Councilman Harry Colgan
Also Present: Attorney for the Town Christine Chale

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

SUPERVISOR’S REPORT

The Supervisor’s report dated June 30 was read as follows: Opening balance -\$5,096,003.89; Receipts - \$529,855.99; Disbursed - \$333,789.37; Balance - \$5,287,070.51

On a motion of Councilperson Imboden seconded by Councilman Ross moved to accept the Supervisor’s report.

Adopted Ayes 4 McKeon, Ross, O’Neill, Imboden
Nays 0
Absent 1 Colgan
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There were the following budget adjustments: General A Fund – Total increase appropriations - \$9,070; General B Fund – Total increase in appropriations - \$370; Highway DB Fund – Total increase in appropriations \$2,845; Water Works O&M Fund – Total increase in appropriations - \$10,000.

On a motion of Councilman Ross seconded by Councilperson Imboden moved to approve the budget adjustments.

Adopted Ayes 4 McKeon, Ross, O’Neill, Imboden
Nays 0
Absent 1 Colgan
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TOWN CLERK’S REPORT

The Town Clerk’s report for the period June 1 – June 30, 2016 was read as follows: Total local shares remitted to the Supervisor- \$1,546.24; Amount remitted to NYS Ag. & Markets - \$57.00; Amount remitted to NYS Dept of Health - \$247.50; Amount remitted to NYS DEC - \$269.26; Total State, County & Local revenue - \$2,120.00

Abstract – June 2016 – Vouchers 20525 – 20643; Total abstract - \$149,905.41 (copy attached)

On a motion of Councilman Ross seconded by Councilman O’Neill moved to accept the Town Clerk’s report.

Adopted Ayes 4 McKeon, Ross, O’Neill, Imboden
Nays 0
Absent 1 Colgan

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Supervisor McKeon opened for comments.

Linda Keeling is very pleased with all of the work done on the parking lot, the front door, restrooms, etc. She referred to a letter she sent to the Board about a fire hazard.

Supervisor McKeon told her that has been forwarded to the Code Enforcement Officer who will investigate.

RESOLUTION 2016 #63

RE: APPROVING TREE PLANTING AT OLD POST ROAD NEAR DEVEREAUX WAY

On a motion of Councilman James Ross seconded by Councilperson Sarah Imboden moved to approve the resolution as read.

Adopted Ayes 4 McKeon, Ross, O’Neill, Imboden
 Nays 0
 Absent 1 Colgan
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GRANTS UPDATE

- Municipal Resolution of Support – Bard College/Montgomery Place Application to NYS Historic Preservation Office for Restoration Funds for Farmhouse, and Mansion Facade

Amy Husten, Bard College, explained her role as Managing Director of Montgomery Place. One of her jobs is fundraising. They are applying to the State to help fund restoration, and need the Town’s endorsement. She explained the needed repairs.

Councilman O’Neill read the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2016 #64

RE: APPROVING AND ENDORSING AN APPLICATION BY BARD COLLEGE FOR A GRANT UNDER THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION FUND

On a motion of Councilman William O’Neill seconded by Supervisor Robert McKeon moved to approve the resolution as read.

Adopted Ayes 4 McKeon, Ross, O’Neill, Imboden
 Nays 0
 Absent 1 Colgan
 Copy attached

-Local Waterfront Revitalization Program

Supervisor McKeon referred to a summary of the full application for the LWRP update. Councilperson Imboden read the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2016 # 65

RE: SUPPORTING A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION FUND RED HOOK LOCAL WATERFRONT REVITALIZATION PROGRAM UPDATE

On a motion of Councilperson Sarah Imboden seconded by Councilman William O’Neill moved to approve the resolution as read.

Adopted Ayes 4 McKeon, Ross, O’Neill, Imboden
 Nays 0
 Absent 1 Colgan
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-State and Municipal Facilities Program

Supervisor McKeon referred to the SAM grant. A preliminary application has to be filed by the end of the month. The amount of the grant is \$50,000. There are multiple items needed which includes the Red Hook Fire Company ambulance and recreation park tennis court repair. Funds could be split between the fire company and the recreation park.

Councilman O’Neill thought it was to be used for specific items. Supervisor McKeon explained how the recreation park could qualify.

The Board discussed the possibility of splitting the grant. They decided to apply for the grant on behalf of both the fire company for an ambulance in the amount of \$25,000 and the recreation department for the tennis courts replacement for \$25,000. Attorney Chale provided and read the resolution.

RESOLUTION 2016 #66

RE: APPROVING APPLICATION FOR A STATE AND MUNICIPAL FACILITIES PROGRAM GRANT

On a motion of Councilman William O'Neill seconded by Councilman James Ross moved to approve the resolution as read.

Adopted	Ayes 4	McKeon, Ross, O'Neill, Imboden
	Nays 0	
	Absent 1	Colgan

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Supervisor McKeon said that we might qualify for more grants for the new recreation land project. He listed other grants and the possibilities of what we could use them for.

RESOLUTION TO SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR JULY 27, 2016 – ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY (RECREATION PARK ANNEX-LINDEN AVENUE WEST)

Supervisor McKeon explained the need for the public hearing. He read the resolution.

RESOLUTION 2016 #67

RE: ESTABLISHING A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING USE OF MONEYS IN THE COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND FOR THE ACQUISITION OF RECREATION PARK ANNEX PARCEL

On a motion of Supervisor Robert McKeon seconded by Councilperson Sarah Imboden moved to establish the public hearing for July 27 at 7:35 p.m.

Adopted	Ayes 4	McKeon, Ross, O'Neill, Imboden
	Nays 0	
	Absent 1	Colgan

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HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – REQUEST TO AMEND DRIVEWAY PERMIT BONDING

Highway Superintendent Theresa Burke read her request to amend driveway permit bonding from \$1,000 to \$2,500 which reflects the increase in material and labor costs to the Town. Attorney Chale summarized the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2016 #68

RE: ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE HIGHWAY SPECIFICATIONS

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

Adopted	Ayes 4	McKeon, Ross, O'Neill, Imboden
	Nays 0	
	Absent 1	Colgan

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DISCUSSION – INCENTIVE ZONING AMENDMENT - TND

Supervisor McKeon commented on a previous discussion in regard to making changes to the existing incentive zoning law to allow developers to pay the incentive fee in phases. He asked Attorney Chale to bring the Boards attention to the particular changes. Attorney Chale explained the change regarding phasing and other adjustment changes. She provided several examples.

The Board will review the changes and consider setting a public hearing at the next meeting. Attorney Chale explained that an EAF will have to be prepared; it will have to go through a referral process, and then call a public hearing. The Town should be declared lead agency. This will go through the Planning Board as part of the review process.

CORRESPONDENCE

Supervisor McKeon shared the following correspondence:

- A letter from Charter Communications about their merger with Time Warner. We will get a new representative. Our contract with Time Warner expired years ago so he will reach out to the representative.

Councilman O'Neill feels it should be up to them to approach the Town.

-Correspondence related to zoning for solar farms. It is not an indicated use in our code and people want answers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilperson Imboden announced the following:

-On August 2, there will be a concert in front of the Linden Ave. Middle School

Supervisor McKeon announced the following:

-The Red Hook Library is holding porch concerts.

- Artz Days at St Margaret's runs from July 15 – 24.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Supervisor McKeon opened for public comments.

Linda Keeling questioned the purchase of property.

Attorney Chale explained the additional area that came up for sale that would enhance the entrance and exit of the recreation park annex.

Councilman Ross commented that it was part of the property we purchased in 2007 that the owners did not want to sell us at the time.

Linda Keeling also had a comment about Poets Walk. It is going to be upgraded and will have a bathroom, kiosk, van accessible parking, additional trees and the entranceway will be paved.

Scenic Hudson is doing the work on the property.

On a motion of Supervisor McKeon seconded by Councilperson Imboden moved to go into Attorney/Client session at 9:18 p.m. to discuss the potential acquisition of a particular parcel of land.

Adopted	Ayes 4	McKeon, Ross, O'Neill, Imboden
	Nays 0	
	Absent 1	Colgan

On a motion of Councilman Ross seconded by Councilwoman Imboden moved to adjourn the Attorney/Client session at 10:00 p.m.

Adopted	Ayes 4	McKeon, Ross, O'Neill, Imboden
	Nays 0	
	Absent 1	Colgan

On a motion of Councilman Ross seconded by Councilwoman Imboden moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:01 p.m.

Adopted	Ayes 4	McKeon, Ross, O'Neill, Imboden
	Nays 0	
	Absent 1	Colgan

Respectfully submitted,

Sue McCann, Town Clerk