

RED HOOK TOWN BOARD SPECIAL MEETING
April 26, 2021

A special meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook, Dutchess County, New York was convened by Zoom Videoconference due to COVID-19 pandemic stay in place rules at the Town Hall, 7340 South Broadway, Red Hook at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Robert McKeon
Councilmember William Hamel
Councilmember Christine Kane
Councilmember William O'Neill
Councilmember Jacob Testa
Town Clerk Deanna Cochran

Also Present: Attorney Christine Chale
Supervisor's Assistant Matt Fenaroli

Supervisor McKeon opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and reviewed the agenda.

Supervisor McKeon thanked all the volunteers and co-sponsors who participated in our Red Hook Clean Up Day held on Saturday, April 24, 2021.

Presentation – Red Hook Central School District Budget Presentation

Supervisor Robert McKeon introduced members of the Red Hook Central School District. Attendees were: Janet Warden, Superintendent of Red Hook Central School, Bruce Martin, Assistant Superintendent for Business, Kate Kortbus, School Board President, Michele DelPriore, Tivoli Library Board Director, and Laura Gail Tyler, Tivoli Library Board President.

Janet Warden began the presentation with explanations of the budget priorities. Bruce Martin announced the Formal Budget Hearing will be May 5, 2021, Voter Registration deadline is May 12, 2021 and the Budget Vote will be May 18, 2021 from Noon to 9 pm located in the Mill Road Elementary cafeteria. If the budget is not approved by voters, a contingent budget will need to be prepared. He explained the Federal Stimulus Money for which Red Hook is eligible. The Coronavirus Response Relief Supplemental Appropriation Funding is a one time amount of \$1,671,974. The American Rescue Plan Funding is a one time amount of \$1,669,336. The Federal Stimulus Money is separate and distinct from the budget on which voters will be voting.

Councilmember Christine Kane questioned what Red Hook's share was in the first CRRSA stimulus package. Bruce Martin explained Red Hook's share of the first package was about \$1.7 million. Red Hook's share of the second package was about \$1.7 million. These shares were from nationwide packages with a combined total of about 4 trillion dollars.

Laura Gail Tyler requested a modest increase for the Tivoli Library. The Red Hook Library chose not to seek an increase this year.

Bruce Martin mentioned Red Hook School District is seeing a lot of migration from the south and tuition from outer districts. There are smaller Kindergarten classes joining the district this year.

Resolution to Approve Community Choice Aggregation Extension

Supervisor McKeon explained authorizing the extension of the Community Choice Aggregation. There will be two information sessions in May 2021. The dates of those sessions will be established soon.

**TOWN OF RED HOOK
RESOLUTION NO. 26
DATED APRIL 26, 2021**

**AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A 2021 CCA ELECTRICITY SUPPLY
AGREEMENT PURSUANT TO AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
TOWN OF RED HOOK AND JOULE ASSETS INC.**

WHEREAS, the Town of Red Hook, Dutchess County, New York (the “Town”) has adopted Local Law No. 1 of 2019 entitled “A LOCAL LAW TO ESTABLISH A COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATION PROGRAM FOR THE TOWN OF RED HOOK”, providing for Community Choice Aggregation (“CCA”) in the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Red Hook has authorized Joule Assets Inc. (“Joule”) to serve as its Community Choice Aggregation Program Administrator for the CCA Program pursuant to an Agreement for Professional Services with Joule Assets Inc. dated April 25, 2019, as amended as of March 24, 2021 (as amended, the “Joule Agreement”); and

WHEREAS, the New York State Public Service Commission has authorized municipalities to participate in CCA pursuant to the Order issued by the New York State Public Service Commission in Case 14-M-0224 - an Order Authorizing Framework For Community Choice Aggregation Opt-Out Program (“PSC CCA Order”), as it may be amended or supplemented; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that it is in the best interests of the Town to authorize the execution of an electricity supply agreement pursuant to a 2021 RFP issued by Joule as provided in the Joule Agreement;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook, as follows:

1. Supervisor Robert McKeon, or in his absence Deputy Supervisor William O’Neill, is hereby authorized and directed to execute a CCA electricity supply agreement in the form and on the terms and conditions provided pursuant to the Joule Agreement providing for a 24-month fixed rate renewable supply, consisting of a base option of at least 50% New York State Renewable Sources and the remainder National Wind Supply, at prices not to exceed \$0.0650 per kilowatt hour, and may include an alternate for 100% NYS Renewable Sources at prices not to exceed \$0.068 per kilowatt hour, and with only such changes as shall not affect the substance thereof. Such electricity supply agreement shall be approved by the officer executing such electricity supply agreement consistent with the terms of the Joule Agreement.

2. The Supervisor, the Town Clerk and its officers, employees and agents are hereby authorized and directed for, and in the name and on behalf of the Town of Red Hook, to do all acts and things required or provided by the provisions of the approved electricity supply agreement.

3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

EXTRACT OF MINUTES

A special meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook, Dutchess County, New York, was convened in public session via videoconference and/or teleconference pursuant to Executive Order 202.1, as amended, on April 26, 2021 at 7:30 p.m., local time. A live transmission was available to the public as described in the notice of meeting attached hereto. The meeting was recorded, and a full transcript is required to be prepared to the extent required by such Executive Order.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Robert McKeon, and, upon roll being called, the following members were (Note: Where members are marked Present, specify whether In Person at the Town Hall, 7340 South Broadway, Red Hook, NY, via Videoconference, or via Teleconference):

	Present	Absent
Supervisor Robert McKeon	VIA videoconference	
Councilmember William Hamel	VIA videoconference	
Councilmember Christine Kane	VIA videoconference	
Councilmember William O'Neill	VIA videoconference	
Councilmember Jacob Testa	VIA videoconference	

The following persons were ALSO PRESENT:

Christine M. Chale, Esq., Attorney for the Town, VIA Videoconference

The following resolution was offered by Councilmember Kane, seconded by Councilmember O'Neill, to wit.

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The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote on a roll call, which resulted as follows:

Supervisor Robert McKeon	VOTING Aye
Councilmember William Hamel	VOTING Aye
Councilmember Christine Kane	VOTING Aye
Councilmember William O'Neill	VOTING Aye
Councilmember Jacob Testa	VOTING Aye

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

NOTICE OF TOWN BOARD MEETINGS – Monday, April 26, 2021 at 7:30 pm Town of Red Hook NOTICE OF TOWN BOARD MEETINGS A public meeting will be held by the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook on Monday, April 26, 2021 at 7:30 pm. Due to the ongoing COVID pandemic, the Town Hall is closed to the general public until further notice. Pursuant to Executive Order No. 202.1, issued by Governor Cuomo, and advisories issued by Federal, State and Local officials related to the COVID-19 virus, the public will not be permitted to attend in person. Some or all of the Board members are expected to participate in the meeting via teleconference or video conference. Please refer to the meeting agenda to be posted on the Town website at <https://www.redhook.org>. The public may view and listen to the proceedings live on www.pandatv23.org. To the extent permitted by law, and until further notice, future Town Board meetings including the regularly scheduled meetings on the second Tuesday and fourth Wednesday of each month, will be available to the public via PANDA's website listed above. Interested persons may comment on agenda matters by submitting an email or telephone by submitting comments to the Supervisor at rmckeon@redhook.org. All reasonable accommodations will be made for persons with disabilities. In such a case, please notify the Town Clerk's office at 845-758-4606 so that arrangements can be made.

Deanna Cochran Town Clerk, Town of Red Hook.

Correspondence –

Highway Superintendent, Theresa Burke asked to approve the scope of work done by our engineers, Tighe & Bond which would not exceed a sum of \$6500 for ArcGIS Online Implementation.

A vote was taken on a motion of Supervisor McKeon to approve the scope of work.

Supervisor Robert McKeon	VOTING Aye
Councilmember William Hamel	VOTING Aye
Councilmember Christine Kane	VOTING Aye
Councilmember William O'Neill	VOTING Aye
Councilmember Jacob Testa	VOTING Aye

On a motion of Supervisor McKeon seconded by Councilmember Hamel moved to adjourn the meeting.

Adopted	Ayes	5	McKeon, Hamel, Kane, O'Neill, Testa
	Nays	0	

Respectfully submitted,

Deanna Cochran, Town Clerk