Catskill Town Board Monthly Meeting

Catskill Town Hall

October 4, 2022 6:30 pm

PRESENT: Dale Finch, Supervisor

Jared Giordiano, Councilman

Patrick McCulloch, Councilman

Dawn Scannapieco, Councilwoman

Paul Vosburgh, Councilman

Supervisor Finch opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES:

September 6, 2022 Monthly Meeting

September 21, 2022 Committee Meeting

Motion: Councilman McCulloch Second: Councilman Vosburgh; carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Training Registration with NYSDEC and Greene County Soil and Water for FEMA Flood Maps, Determinations & Letters of Map Change scheduled December 14, 2022 from 1 pm to 3 pm.

Copies of Greene County Resolutions for awarding bids for abrasives used in snow and ice control; authorizing assessment roll related services and material chargebacks (Catskill’s share $289.07).

Letter from Greene County Legislature requesting two certified copies of the 2023 Town Budget by November 21st.

Letter from Association of Towns membership dues.

NYSDOT notice of action – added 30 mph on Woodstock Avenue between Route 32A and south of Malden Ave.

CONTINUING BUSINESS:

Electric White board purchase – Senior Center

*Councilman Giordiano presented the quote for the purchase of an ActivPanel interactive display for the Senior Center using part of the ARPA disbursement money from Greene County as part of the upgrades to the Senior Center. Councilman Vosburgh asked if we received more than one quote. Councilman Giordiano stated the county supplied us with the quote. Councilman McCulloch stated it is like the one at the GC Emergency Center building. Councilman Giordiano stated the quote includes five years’ service and onsite support. Supervisor Finch would like to advocate for placing it on the wall. Councilman McCulloch stated only to if mobile is not the best option. Councilwoman Scannapieco asked who knew how to use it. Councilman Giordiano stated onsite will teach. Resolution # 86-2022 on motion of Councilman Giordiano second by Councilman McCulloch to purchase the Promethean 86” V9 ActivPanel with extended warranty, on-site support and stand in the amount of $7,631.18 from ARPA money given by Greene County. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes*

*Supervisor Finch stated the flooring replacement will be under state contract. We will need to decide on the type of flooring. Councilman Giordiano stated to not include the kitchen floor as the floor does not need replacing. Councilman McCulloch asked about painting the center. Councilman Vosburgh stated Marc can do before the floors are done.*

Ambulance – update. *Supervisor Finch stated Marshall and Sterling and they do not have a number yet but will hopefully have in 3 to 4 days.*

NEW BUSINESS:

Presentation of 2023 Tentative Budget – schedule budget workshop meetings. *The Town Clerk presented the 2023 Tentative Budget to the board. Supervisor Finch stated it will be on our website. This is the wish list of Department Heads for which we may or may not entertain. COLA increasing. Health insurance increasing. The State says the most insurance providers can raise prices is 11.5% across all plans but the plans the town has increased 16-17%. We will need to see if there are viable options for the employees.*

*Supervisor Finch stated these documents would not be as accurate as they are without our bookkeeper Kirsten Bulich and he recognizes her effort she puts into the budget preparation.*

Senior Center – Rental.

*Supervisor Finch stated we have limited resources to rent the center after hours. We have a request from a senior for an 80th birthday party. The lease agreement states people need a certificate of insurance. Maybe if there is a small group, under fifty people, waive the rider. The Town Attorney will need to look at. Councilman McCulloch stated we have a $8,000 screen, a pool table, we will need to consider this. Supervisor Finch stated there is no fee for non-profit uses, a $50 to use the kitchen. We do not have a cleaner. We cannot ask Jamie. Councilman McCulloch stated we do not have the staff for use on weekends. Councilman Giordiano stated it is not the best place to have a party. Councilman McCulloch stated he is not for renting the center. Councilwoman Scannapieco concurred. Supervisor Finch concurred, no private parties. The document will be updated for non-profit use only and a draft will be reviewed before adoption.*

*Property Tax Levy Limit – Supervisor Finch stated we need to schedule a public hearing to override the property tax cap. Resolution # 88-2022 on motion of Councilman Giordiano second by Councilman McCulloch to schedule a public hearing on October 19, 2022 at 6:30 pm at Town Hall to override the tax levy limit for fiscal year 2023. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes*

*Supervisor Finch stated we need to schedule budget workshop meetings. Resolution # 87-2022 on motion of Councilman McCulloch second by Councilman Giordiano scheduling budget workshop meetings for October 11, October 18, October 19, and October 20, 2022 at 6:00 pm at Town Hall. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes*

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS:

Supervisor Finch stated we are working on the deed for the Carl property and are close to finishing. The Town Attorney will have the final look and draft a resolution for accepting.

Contract negotiations will be October 30th.

Leeds Fire contract – He spoke with Dave Brockway and Paul Vandermark. They will give estimates for fuel, truck, and air Pac loans. The tentative budget has a 5% increase and the Athens ambulance contract has an 8% increase.

Supervisor Finch asked if any of the board had comment. The public. With no comment a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Giordiano second by Councilman McCulloch. Meeting ended 7:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Izzo

Town Clerk