Catskill Town Board Committee Meeting – Catskill Town Hall July 15, 2020 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. He introduced the Town Board.

First item on his agenda is a follow-up to last week's meeting requesting law enforcement on the Tannery Bridge have blanket authority to make arrests at the site. Resolution # 28-2020 on motion of Councilman McCulloch, second by Councilwoman Scannapieco, due to safety concerns at Town-owned property along Woodstock Avenue, tax map # 199.08-4-2, it is important to enforce the "No Trespassing" signs placed on the property and the Town Board duly authorizes the Greene County Sheriff's Office and the New York State Police to enforce the "No Trespassing" signs to the full extent of the law. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes

The Board of Elections have requested use of the Senior Center for training for the upcoming elections. They will clean after use and they will check with Liz about the availability. Councilman McCulloch didn't see an issue using the center after 3 pm if the center is open for the seniors or before it not and to have them schedule it with Liz.

Supervisor Finch has contacted other municipalities to see if they are re-opening their Senior Centers. Guilderland is allowing activities such as painting with social distancing but nothing else. Niskayuna is tentative. Coxsackie is closed until the Meals on Wheels program resumes and seniors will be able to eat at a congregate setting. Edie is not coming back and we have no staff to monitor there. Councilman McCulloch stated we can revisit at a different time. Supervisor Finch stated the Center will remain closed until further guidance from the State.

Councilman McCulloch stated people are parking along the fence and this has the potential to cause an issue if an emergency vehicle cannot get through. There needs to be no parking signs erected along the fence. Liz will contact the Highway Superintendent.

Supervisor Finch stated Kirsten has started working on the budget. We are ok on the spending side.

Supervisor Finch stated we will reach out to Athens regarding the ambulance contract negotiations.

Supervisor Finch will contact the Highway Superintendent about resuming a sign-in sheet at the brush dump. All board members were in agreement there should be a log-in sheet.

Supervisor Finch stated we now have 4 kids working at the Cemetery through the youth program run through the college.

Ricky Cramer Field – some bleacher boards need replacing. These will be replaced as it is a liability issue.

Supervisor Finch gave an update on the Mill Pond Hydroelectric Plant in Leeds as there was discussion about whether they would have to go in front of the Planning Board and they don't as they are federally exempt.

Time Clock Update – with COVID 19 to keep track of employee compliance. Will table until later date.

Garbage – Supervisor Finch spoke with County Waste and they will match pricing instead of losing business. We have a signed contract for the collection at the Ambulance building. Councilman Vosburgh stated Adam will give us six months free which would allow us to buyout the contract with County Waste. Councilman McCulloch stated that is gracious but we have a contract and doesn't want to get in a jam. Councilman Giordiano stated his concern is there are other local garbage companies too. Resolution # 29-2020 on motion of Councilman McCulloch second by Councilman Giordiano to rescind Resolution # 20-2020. Adopted Vote: 4 Yes 1 No (Vosburgh).

Councilman Giordiano stated it is easiest to keep one company. Resolution # 30-2020 on motion of Councilman McCulloch second by Councilwoman Scannapieco to use Durham Waste Removal for garbage collection at Town Hall effective August 1, 2020. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes

Supervisor Finch asked if the board had any comments. With no comment he asked for a motion to enter into executive session to discuss a personnel issue with the Planning Board. Motion to enter into executive session to include the Town Clerk by Councilman Vosburgh second by Councilman McCulloch. Executive session began 7:11 pm.

Motion to exit executive session and end the meeting was made by Councilman Giordiano second by Councilman Vosburgh. Meeting ended 8:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Izzo Town Clerk