

Catskill Town Board Committee/Budget Meeting – Catskill Town Hall
October 21, 2020 6:30 pm

PRESENT: Dale Finch, Supervisor
 Jared Giordiano, Councilman
 Patrick McCulloch, Councilman
 Paul Vosburgh, Councilman

Supervisor Finch opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. The following resolutions were adopted –

Resolution 56-2020 Adoption of Local Law 3 of 2020 Overriding the Tax Levy Limit for Fiscal Year 2021 on motion of Councilman Giordiano, second by Supervisor Finch. Adopted Vote: 4 Yes 1 Absent (Scannapieco)

Resolution 54-2020 Appointment to Planning Board – Brenda Vandermark from alternate member to planning board member filling the unexpired term of Charles Holtz, term ended December 31, 2024 on motion of Councilman McCulloch second by Councilman Vosburgh. Adopted Vote: 4 Yes 1 Absent (Scannapieco)

Resolution 55-2020 Authorizing the Supervisor sign the Collective Bargaining Agreement with CSEA (Highway) on motion of Councilman McCulloch second by Councilman Vosburgh. Adopted Vote: 4 Yes 1 Absent (Scannapieco)

Resolution 57-2020 Authorizing a Fireworks Display at the Rip Van Winkle Country Club, November 1, 2020 at dark on motion of Councilman Giordiano second by Councilman McCulloch. Adopted Vote: 4 Yes 1 Absent (Scannapieco)

Supervisor Finch mentioned the dental and vision insurance plans for the Ambulance employees. The rates did not increase. He asked for a motion to sign the renewal. *Councilman McCulloch motioned Councilman Vosburgh seconded. All present in favor.*

Supervisor Finch presented the board a second health insurance choice for employees at Town Hall, Ambulance and Highway with CDPHP. It is a high deductible plan and after the deductible is met, there would be a co-pay environment. Marshall and Sterling would like to have a presentation for employees from a rep at CDPHP. Employees can stay where they are or move to new plan as long as there are two employees in the plan. It is not a large savings for the town. Supervisor Finch polled the board. Councilman McCulloch stated to have them do a presentation. *Motion from Councilman McCulloch second by Councilman Giordiano to offer the CDPHP plan to employees. All present in favor.*

AMBULANCE – advanced EMT position. Will discuss in executive session.

BUDGET – Supervisor Finch would like to keep machinery at \$45,000 and repair and maintenance at \$40,000 in the DB fund to allow more money in Shawn’s budget. The change in fund balance would be \$100,000.

Councilman Giordiano stated there is no other place to save. Supervisor Finch stated spending is down 2.1% our issue is a revenue deficit. COVID had a major impact on the A fund. Councilman Giordiano

stated the only way to move the needle would be personnel cuts. Supervisor Finch stated we need more part-time employees to get the overtime reduced in the ambulance department. We have a realistic number for insurance recovery at \$1.1 million. Cemetery is an issue also and this is something we will have to think about.

With no further discussion about the budget, *Resolution 58-2020 to adopt the 2021 Tentative Budget as the 2021 Preliminary Budget and schedule a public hearing on said budget for Tuesday, November 3, 2020 at 6:15 pm on motion of Councilman Giordiano second by Supervisor Finch. Adopted Vote: 4 Yes 1 Absent (Scannapieco)*

Councilman Giordiano motioned to enter into executive session to discuss a personnel issue at the Ambulance and invited the Town Clerk. This was seconded by Supervisor Finch. Executive session began 7:07 pm.

With no further business a motion to exit executive session and end the meeting was made by Councilman Giordiano seconded by Supervisor Finch. Meeting ended 7:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Izzo
Town Clerk