## Catskill Town Board Monthly Meeting – December 1, 2020 Catskill Town Hall 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 then welcomed all in attendance and introduced the members of the board and proceeded with the agenda.

MINUTES:

November 3, 2020 Public Hearing 2021 Preliminary Budget Town Board Monthly Meeting Motion to accept – Councilman Giordiano, second Councilman Vosburgh; carried

November 18, 2020 Town Board Committee Meeting Motion to accept – Councilman Giordiano, second Councilman Vosburgh; carried

November 24, 2020 Emergency Meeting Grinder Pump Installation/Filming Motion to accept – Councilman Vosburgh, second Councilwoman Scannapieco; carried

**RESOLUTIONS:** 

Resolution 76-2020 Cementon Sewer Billing January through June, 2021 Motion presented by Councilman Giordiano, second by Councilman Vosburgh. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes

Resolution 77-2020 Change in HRA Motion presented by Councilman Vosburgh, second by Councilwoman Scannapieco. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes

Resolution 78-2020 CDPHP Medical Insurance for Ambulance & Highway Employees Motion presented by Councilman Giordiano, second by Councilman Vosburgh. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes

CORRESPONDENCE:

County Resolution337-20 Mortgage Tax Distribution (Catskill's share \$100,546.76)335-20 Authorizing Chargeback Assessment Roll Related Fees<br/>(Catskill's share \$1,500)

Supervisor Finch stated the town is over the projected amount for mortgage tax for this year.

Email from Patty Austin, Greene County Tourism & Film Commission that filming will take place on December 1<sup>st</sup> on Hearts Content Road between the hours of 4 pm and 11 pm. There will be intermittent road closures monitored by the GC Sheriff's Office.

Email from Greene County Economic Development notice of public hearing for inclusion of lands in agricultural district no. 124 December 16, 2020 at 6:25 pm at the GC Office Building.

Email from Teresa Golden expressing desire to continue to serve on Planning Board. Her term expires 12/31/20. *Supervisor Finch stated the reappointment will be at our organizational meeting.* 

Notice of Letter of Transmittal from the GC Highway Superintendent to NYSDOT regarding speed limit reduction request for Woodstock Avenue between Manorville Road and Route 32A in the Town of Catskill (Palenville).

Municipal Shelter report from NYS Ag & Markets completed on 11/10/20. Rated satisfactory.

Response from NYMIR regarding hunting on town owned property. *Supervisor Finch stated we received different variables.* 

## CONTINUING BUSINESS:

Maintenance agreement –CPR and Lukas devices (Ambulance) – Supervisor Finch asked the board if they had any other thoughts. The cost of the units are quite expensive to replace. Councilman Giordiano stated to sign the agreement. Resolution # 79-2020 on motion of Councilman Vosburgh second by Councilwoman Scannapieco authorizing the Supervisor sign the maintenance agreement with Stryker for the LifePak and LUCAS devices for a yearly cost of \$8,506.80. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes

## NEW BUSINESS:

Supervisor Finch stated the Leeds/JH Sewer Project is close to the end of the line. The screens are in at the plant and have been found to be satisfactorily installed by Alan Tavenner. We are in the process of talking to Municipal Solutions to approve payments. The final approval with EFC will be at long term financing. Delaware Engineering recommends we move forward with payments for J Squared and DE.

Councilman McCulloch stated the big ticket was the pump on N. Jefferson Ave. We have one pump station left and three duplex stations. It is recommended we have five residential pumps. Supervisor Finch stated we will get an additional one and then the homeowner will purchase the pumps to specs and then they will become town property to maintain. We also will need to find out the ones installed by Luizzi that are not part of the record.

Ambulance – Supervisor Finch asked the board their comment regarding part-time bonuses and absences due to COVID-19 illnesses. He has spoken with HR and if it is mandated and required by NYS, for this year only we forgive the absences. Councilwoman Scannapieco stated this is the proper thing to do. *Resolution # 80-2020 on motion of Councilwoman Scannapieco, second by Councilman McCulloch to allow an exception of Section 7.5.1 of the collective bargaining agreement with the Town of Catskill and UPSEU to not penalize part-time employees who were not able to meet the required scheduling commitment in Section 7.5.1 due to documented absences as a direct result of the employee contracting COVID-19 for the calendar year 2020. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes* 

## SUPERVISOR COMMENTS:

HIGHWAY – The snowplows will be delivered soon. The bond closing is scheduled for December 10<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm.

CEMETERY – Supervisor Finch stated he spoke with the crew at the cemetery and they will start COVID hotspot cleaning in Town Hall in two weeks. The cleaning will be on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings.

BALLFIELD – Supervisor Finch stated he spoke with Ed DuPont as Mr. DuPont would like to know where the Town stands. Councilman Vosburgh stated we had a meeting with him and everything was good. Supervisor Finch stated he will do some community fundraising as his stumbling block is the fence there. We do not have the budget to replace the fencing. The cost of the fencing is \$20,000. Councilwoman Scannapieco stated all the teams who use the field should do fundraising.

Supervisor Finch stated the cemetery cleaned up the field. Took down the batting cages and frame as the teams did not do that after the season ended like they should have.

CODE – Supervisor Finch is expecting a demonstration from Edmunds/BAS of their software. After the demo they will give a price.

Supervisor Finch asked if anyone had any comment.

Supervisor Finch asked for a motion to schedule the organizational meeting in 2021. *Resolution #81-2020 on motion of Councilman McCulloch second by Councilman Vosburgh to schedule the Organizational Meeting of the Town Board for Tuesday, January 5, 2021 at 6:00 pm. Adopted Vote: 5 Yes* 

Supervisor Finch stated next year he would like to have a Buildings/Grounds Committee.

Councilman Vosburgh stated the back of Town Hall needs attention. Supervisor Finch stated there are other projects also. A punch list will be made and he would like to work on it before spring. Councilman Vosburgh asked about just building a new building? Supervisor Finch stated it is wise to get some walk throughs. Councilman Giordiano stated we will need RFP's.

With no further discussion a motion to end the meeting was made by Councilman Giordiano second by Councilman Vosburgh. Meeting ended 7:09 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Izzo Town Clerk