

January 12, 2017

The Town Board of the Town of Stuyvesant held their monthly business meeting on Thursday, January 12, 2017 at 7:00pm at the Town Hall. In attendance were Supervisor Ron Knott, Councilwoman Kelley Williams, Councilman Edward Scott, Town Clerk Melissa Naegeli, Highway Superintendent Chuck Stiffler, and Attorney for the Town Tal Rappleyea. Councilmembers Brian Chittenden and Tom Burrall were not in attendance.

Supervisor Knott opened the meeting at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion to approve the previous minutes was made by Edward Scott, seconded by Kelley Williams and approved by unanimous vote.

A motion to approve the bills as presented was made by Edward Scott, seconded by Kelley Williams and approved by unanimous vote.

Correspondence

A letter of interest from Columbia Land Conservancy reporting that they had done the annual fly over of Ken Hummel Park and everything is okay.

Old Business

State Audit – Supervisor Knott reported that he had answered a lot of the Auditor’s questions regarding various policies and numbering of building permits.

Zoning Law Revision – Town Attorney Tal Rappleyea reported that he had sent to the NYS Dept. of Ag & Markets for review. Supervisor Knott reported that copies had been sent to the Planning and Zoning Board members for review. A public hearing was scheduled for Thursday, February 9, 2017 at 7pm. Tal Rappleyea will handle the notification in the newspaper and to the surrounding municipalities.

Reports

Town Clerk – The Town Clerk Report is on file. Melissa also read the tax collection report, that is available in her office.

Recreation Committee – Kelley Williams reported there was no meeting in January. Supervisor Knott and Kelley Williams spoke with Highway Superintendent Chuck Stiffler about better parking and fending at the playground at the Landing.

Railroad Station Committee – Lee Jamison reminded everyone about the pot luck dinner being held on January 13, 2017. There will be a family movie night at the depot on Saturday, January 14th at 4pm, they will be showing “Singing in the Rain”.

Environmental Management Council – Christian Sweningson reported that there had been no meetings due to the Holidays.

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Dog Control Officer – Report on file

Kinderhook Memorial Library – Lee Jamison reported that the Tuttle Family had announced an up to \$1Million pledge match challenge. The building committee has met with the Architect to modify plans to move forward with construction.

Office for the Aging – Richard Moran reported that there were discussions regarding a bus to provide transportation to County seniors.

Highway Department – Superintendent Chuck Stiffler reported that

- They had been out 13 times already this Winter (12 last year);
- Have been working on the fence at the playground in the Falls; and
- Working on a new permit for work on roads and driveways.

Assessor's Office – Exemptions are due no later than March 1. Cathy Knott reported that ICC had passed the Cold War Veterans Exemption.

Planning/Zoning Boards – There will be a subdivision application at the January Planning Board meeting.

Historian – Supervisor Knott reported that Juanita Knott had logged 300 hours in 2016. She is working on completing her annual report.

Cemetery – Cathy Knott reported that she and Town Historian Juanita Knott are working on a map of the Butler Cemetery.

ZEO/Building Inspector – Report is on file.

Town Hall – Supervisor Knott reported that the Town Hall had run out of propane due to the change in the County bid award. He is also looking for a potential leak.

County Government

Supervisor Knott reported that he will remain the Deputy Chairman for the County Board of Supervisors. He has also been appointed to the following Committees:

- Chair of Public Works;
- Chair of Space Utilization;
- Chair of Sewer Sub-Committee;
- Finance Committee;
- County Government;
- Airport Committee; and
- Economic Development Committee

Supervisor Knott also reported that he had met with representatives from the Department of State regarding grants for consolidation plans.

New Business

Supervisor Knott discussed the difference in tax rates from 2016 to 2017 and that they went down, in most cases.

Tom Burrall announced that Christian Sweningson had volunteered to help on the website committee.

Supervisor Knott presented Budget Amendment #1 in the amount of \$5,000 as an increase to the Bookkeeper line.

Board Comments

Councilman Scott asked what was going on in Chatham government. Supervisor Knott replied that a lot of people have quit.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

A motion to adjourn was made by Ed Scott, seconded by Kelly Williams and was approved by unanimous vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.

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Vouchers presented at the January 2017 meeting for approval:

| January 2017 | | | | | |
|---------------------|------------------------------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------------------|----------------|
| CLAIM # | PAYEE | A/C# | GENERAL | LIGHTS LND/FALLS | HIGHWAY |
| | Remainder of 2016 | | | | |
| 571 | NYS Office of State Comptroller | A2610 | 1,546.00 | | |
| 1 | CDPHP Universal Benefits (3512.79) | 9060.8 | 600.48 | | 2,912.31 |
| 2 | Nolan Bottle Gas, Inc. | 1620.4 | 1,129.85 | | |
| 3 | CIA Security | 1620.4 | 287.40 | | |
| 4 | Lowe's | 1620.4 | 1,037.94 | | |
| 5 | National Grid | 1620.4 | 37.84 | | |
| 6 | SMG | 1620.4 | 85.23 | | |
| 7 | Time Warner Cable (399.22) | 1620.4 | 273.69 | | |
| | | 5132.4 | 125.53 | | |
| 8 | Business Automation Svcs (974.400) | 1410.4 | 363.55 | | |
| | | 1355.4 | 8.55 | | |
| | | 8020.4 | 8.55 | | |
| | | 3620.4 | 568.55 | | |
| | | 1220.4 | 8.55 | | |
| | | 1620.4 | 16.65 | | |
| 9 | The Association of Towns | 1010.4 | 600.00 | | |
| 10 | Johnson Newspaper | 1010.4 | 17.48 | | |
| 11 | Melissa Naegeli | 1410.4 | 59.99 | | |
| 12 | Stuyvesant Post Office | 1410.4 | 92.00 | | |
| 13 | Staples, Inc. (114.84) | 1110.4 | 46.72 | | |
| | | 1410.4 | 14.21 | | |
| | | 1355.4 | 26.17 | | |
| | | 1220.4 | 27.74 | | |
| 14 | NYS Assessor's Association | 1355.4 | 85.00 | | |
| 15 | Col. Co. Assessor's Association | 1355.4 | 50.00 | | |
| 16 | New York Planning Federation | 8020.4 | 250.00 | | |
| 17 | Verizon Wireless | 5010.4 | 69.13 | | |
| 18 | CCA of TS | 5010.4 | 200.00 | | |
| 19 | Culligan | 5132.4 | 28.93 | | |
| 20 | Madsen Overhead Doors, Inc | 5132.4 | 117.50 | | |
| 21 | County Waste | 5132.4 | 93.58 | | |
| 22 | Valley Energy | 5132.4 | 368.83 | | |
| | | 5110.4 | | | 1,034.80 |
| 23 | Wex Bank Universal | 5110.4 | | | 109.25 |
| 24 | Partners in Safety, Inc. | 5110.4 | | | 162.00 |
| 25 | AirGas USA LLC | 5130.4 | | | 20.80 |
| 26 | Mooradian Hydraulics | 5130.4 | | | 90.00 |
| 27 | Mario's Home Center | 5130.4 | | | 91.12 |
| 28 | Charles Stiffler | 5130.4 | | | 136.02 |
| 29 | CarQuest of Valatie | 5130.4 | | | 179.56 |
| 30 | Chatham Agway | 5130.4 | | | 39.98 |