

**July 11, 2013**

The Town Board of the Town of Stuyvesant held their monthly business meeting on Thursday, June 13, 2013 at 7:00pm at the Town Hall. In attendance were Supervisor Ron Knott, Councilman Tom Burrall, Councilman Brian Chittenden, Councilman Edward Scott, Councilwoman Kelley Williams, Attorney for the Town Tal Rappleyea and Town Clerk Melissa Naegeli. Highway Superintendant Bernie Kowalski was not in attendance.

Supervisor Knott called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and open with the Pledge of Allegiance

A motion was made by Councilman Edward Scott to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Kelley Williams and it was passed by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Councilman Edward Scott to approve the vouchers presented for payment. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brian Chittenden and was passed by unanimous vote.

### ***Correspondence***

A letter from the National Park Service regarding the Kinderhook Heritage Dutch Farming Day at Lindenwald to be held on July 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>.

A letter from Time Warner Cable regarding programming changes.

### ***Old Business***

Supervisor Knott reported that he had attended the rededication ceremony at the Swyer Preserve Boardwalk and that the renovations are very nice.

### ***Reports***

*Town Clerk:* Report is on file. Melissa Naegeli also gave a preliminary report on the sponsors and registrations for the upcoming Ken Hummel 5K. She reported that \$950 had been turned into the Supervisor. Mrs. Naegeli also reported that she had received a request from the Leader (Hinkel) Family requesting a donation to the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute Fundraiser that they are holding on August 18<sup>th</sup> – it will be the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of a local boy. The Town Board took the request under consideration. No decisions will be made on donations until after the race is held.

*ZEO/Building Inspector:* Report is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

*Railroad Station Restoration Committee:* Marilyn Burch reported that the Strawberry Festival raised \$749. The Taste of Thailand will be held on July 12<sup>th</sup> from 4-7 and there will be a bake sale and farmers' market.

Supervisor Knott reported that he had been contacted by DOT to review the cost structure and estimates and that to date approximately \$28,000 has been spent by the Town. The Committee will review the original requests and modify it for the stuff that has already been completed (doors, windows, etc.) The estimate has been revised to be resubmitted to DOT for \$100,000.

*Environmental Management Council:* Mrs. Schneider reported that the Council is working on a memo to provide guidance to the Board of Supervisors to avoid issues in the future that were experienced with the TCI fire. The memo will be presented to the County Government Committee.

*Dog Control Officer:* No report.

*Highway Department:* Supervisor Knott reported that the Highway Dept. has been chip sealing the roads and they have worked on Hollow Rd., Ridge Rd., Stuyvesant Place and W. Ghent Road.

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*Assessor's Office:* Cathy Knott reported that everything is quiet. She reminded everyone that if they are turning 65 years old to contact the office for information regarding exemptions.

*Planning/Zoning Boards:* There is a Public Hearing scheduled for July 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm regarding the Site Plan Application for Albertson/Thompson. On the meeting agenda is a site plan application for Mrs. Gerlie for a Bed & Breakfast on Ridge Road.

*Historian:* Juanita Knott, Town Historian, reported that there are flyers for Historic Stuyvesant Day available and asked everyone to take some to pass around. She also requested a porta potty be ordered for the Sandbar for the picnic on Historic Stuyvesant Day. Mrs. Knott said she is expecting a good turnout and reminded everyone they can park at the VFW and use the shuttle service being provided by Albany Engineering. A motion to order a porta potty for the Sandbar for Historic Stuyvesant Day was made by Councilman Edward Scott, seconded by Councilman Brian Chittenden and was passed by unanimous vote. A motion to purchase the hot dogs, buns, drinks and condiments was made by Councilman Edward Scott, seconded by Councilman Brian Chittenden and was passed by unanimous vote.

*Dog Control Officer:* Report on file.

*Cemetery* – Councilman Edward Scott said the damaged limb was cleaned up by Homestead Brothers. He said there was minimal damage to the stones.

*Kinderhook Memorial Library:* Supervisor Knott reported that Big Truck Day had about 300 people and it was a successful event. Lee Jamison reported that the library had received \$1600 and thanked Senator Kathy Marcionne. Ms. Jamison also reported that EReaders are available for “test-driving” at the library. The circulation desk has been rehabbed and the carpet is being replaced, therefore the library will be closed July 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>.

There is a “Friends of the Library” used book store now open in the “Grain & Feed Store” just down from the Library in Kinderhook. They are accepting donations continuously.

*Recreation Committee:* Councilwoman Kelley Williams thanked Lee Jamison for picking up garbage at the playground. Supervisor Knott suggested that signs be made up that say “bring in / take out” or something similar. He asked Councilman Scott to look into the price of the signs. Councilwoman Williams said the recreation committee will offer a coloring contest for Historic Stuyvesant Day and that will be one of the activities the children can do during the 5K Race.

Supervisor Knott said that Mr. Beshia of Albany Engineering will meet with Deputy Bray regarding patrols for the area above the Falls. Steve Montie reported to the Board that there was a picnic table missing from the Sandbar Park and that others were in need of repair.

Supervisor Knott reported that the *Special Guest* listed on the agenda had to cancel.

## **County Government**

*Courthouse Renovation Project:* Supervisor Knott reported that there had been more asbestos found at the project. While they were digging they also found an old water supply line.

*Stuyvesant Falls Bridge:* Supervisor Knott reported that he was still waiting to see the Engineer's Report. He had spoken with Bernie Kelleher and there was a chart of anticipated (estimated) expenses for the bridges around the county for the next several years. The report is available upon request.

*Hazard Waste Day:* Supervisor Knott reported that 356 people had taken advantage of the County free hazardous waste day and that 11 were from Stuyvesant.

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Supervisor Knott reported that there is a new name for the Columbia County Economic Development group and it's now "Choose Columbia". Ken Flood had visited Dutch Hollow Farm and was impressed with the size of the business. Councilman Chittenden reported that the Dutch Hollow Farm Day will be held on August 4<sup>th</sup> from 11-4.

Supervisor Knott reported that the County is considering a County Agriculture and Farmland Protection Plan. One has been prepared and there was a public hearing. A vote will take place at the full board meeting in August.

***New Business***

Supervisor Knott reported that a joint workshop meeting with the Town Board, the Planning Board, the Zoning Board and the Building Inspector is scheduled for July 20<sup>th</sup> at 9am at the Town Hall.

Supervisor Knott reported that the Board is in discussions with the offices of the town to hold an open house at the Town Hall one day in the Fall.

Councilman Tom Burrall said the American Legion is hold a Duck Derby to raise money to replace the cemetery markers for Veterans. Anyone interested should contact him.

***Public Comments***

Lee Jamison asked about the progress on the solar panels for the Town Hall. Supervisor Knott said there wasn't anything yet and that Monolith was still going through the approval process.

Mrs. Juanita Knott pointed out the photoboard she had prepared of past Historic Stuyvesant Days – one in 1996 celebrating the hydroplant after Albany Engineering had purchased it.

Fire Chief Steve Montie announced that there would be a family outdoor movie night on the grounds of the Stuyvesant Firehouse on Saturday, July 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 and the movie would be "Despicable Me". The cost will be \$5.00 for adults and \$2.50 for children. He also reported that there had been a fire at Mr. & Mrs. Gleason's house on Sharptown Road. He added that they were very lucky and were staying temporarily at the Blue Spruce Inn. Their pets had been split among family and friends and that donations to help out the animals would be greatly appreciated.

Councilman Chittenden showed everyone the Dutch Hollow Farm Summer Newsletter and said there were still some available.

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Brian Chittenden and seconded by Councilman Tom Burrall. The motion was passed by unanimous vote and the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Recorded this 11<sup>th</sup> day of July 2013

Approved this 8<sup>th</sup> day of August 2013

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Supervisor Knott

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Town Clerk – Melissa Naegeli

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**Abstract of Vouchers presented for payment**

TOWN OF STUYVESANT ABSTRACTS

*July 2013*

CLAIM #	PAYEE	A/C#	GENERAL	HIGHWAY	RAIL ROAD
214	Blue Shield of Northeastern NY (\$3677.70)	9060.8	839.02	2,838.68	
215	Col Co Treasurer	9060.8	93.22		
216	Time Warner Cable (\$78.62)	1620.4	28.07		
		5132.4	50.55		
217	National Grid (\$1582.70)	5182.4	1,252.14		
		5132.4	130.41		
		1620.4	177.12		
		1620.4			23.03
218	Schodack Septic (\$432.00)	1620.4			216.00
		7110.4	216.00		
219	Business Automation Services	1620.4	29.75		
220	Matthew's Signs	1620.4	228.00		
221	Marilyn Burch	1620.4			128.00
222	E Biz Documents	1110.4	2,545.00		
223	Columbia County	1110.4	64.80		
224	Language Line Services	1110.4	0.75		
225	Xerox Corporation (\$213.63)	1110.4	66.00		
		1410.4	147.63		
226	Staples Business Advantage (\$108.11)	1110.4	10.00		
		1410.4	98.11		
227	NYS Town Clerk's Association	1410.4	75.00		
228	Tal G. Rappleyea, Esq.	1420.4	937.50		
229	George Knott (\$186.50)	1620.4	95.00		
		6140.4	91.50		
230	Charlene Leach	6140.4	61.50		
231	Juanita Knott	7510.4	70.50		
232	Home Depot Credit Services (\$200.00)	1620.4	100.00		
		7140.4	100.00		
233	William J. Better	8020.4	575.00		
234	Verizon Wireless	5010.4	74.13		
235	Wex Bank (Fleet Services)	5110.4		393.60	
236	Colarusso Quarry	5110.4		1,489.30	
237	Mooradian's	5130.4		29.35	
238	Lowe's	5130.4		573.65	
239	Unifirst Corporation	5130.4		31.73	
240	Marchese Ford	5130.4		148.37	
241	Columbia Tractor	5130.4		160.70	
242	Van Kleeck's Tire, Inc.	5130.4		332.96	

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243	CarQuest of Valatie	5130.4		160.57	
244	Northeast Automotive Parts, Inc.	5130.4		56.76	
245	Mario's Home Center, Inc. (\$111.20)	5130.4		34.23	
		7140.4	71.96		
		5132.4	4.99		
246	County Waste	5132.4	53.21		
247	Culligan Water Cond./Hudson, NY	5132.4	26.75		
248	Rainbow Distributing Co.	5132.4	50.98		
249	Long Energy	5132.4	2,379.51		
			10,744.10	6,249.90	367.03