

The Town Board held their Monthly Meeting on the above date at 7:36 p.m., the Town Hall, 238 Main Street, Cold Spring, New York 10516.

**PRESENT:**

Richard Shea	Supervisor
John Van Tassel	Councilman
Michael Leonard	Councilman
Robert Flaherty	Councilman
Nancy Montgomery	Councilwoman

Supervisor Shea opened the meeting with the Salute to the Flag.

**REVIEW OF MINUTES**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**CONSERVATION BOARD** – Councilman Leonard reported on the April 18, 2017 meeting which had two agenda items: Olspan, Manitoga. Other discussions were; Stormwater, Glassbury Court, and Cold Spring Farms.

**RECREATION** – Councilman Van Tassel was not able to attend the meeting so Amber Stickle gave the report on the April 25, 2017 meeting. Amber reported that the Summer Camp registration is going very well. They are almost at max capacity and if anyone is still interested she asked that they register soon. The Senior Luncheon is scheduled for May 10, 2017 with 92 seniors already registered and they project about 200 will attend. She noted that they encourage volunteers for this event, if interested call Recreation. May 21, 2017 the theatre will have their spring fundraiser and will be honoring Bob Bickford for all the work he has done for the theatre. The next show at the theatre will be “Ann of Green Gables” opening in a few weeks. Lou Kingsley has donated his time for the removal of eight (8) trees at the park. Amber has also worked with the Audubon Society to install two (2) bird houses at the Dog Park. The Friends of Philipstown Rec met in March and there was a discussion on whether or not a Town pool could be put in. They reviewed the past history on that and they will look into options they might have with other communities. They are looking to bring back the “Castle to River Run”. It will be a joint event this year with the Philipstown Coalition Organization. Recreation is working on a background check policy for all of their staff and developing coaching standards. They will also be hiring a park attendant for the Philipstown Park for evenings and weekends. Unfortunately the Recreation Department has accepted the resignation of Jane Ponton. Amber thanked her for all the time she has given them.

**PUTNAM COALITION THAT CARES** - Councilwoman Montgomery reported that they will meet on May 24, 2017 at 3:30 pm at the North Highlands Firehouse. The Officer in Charge of the Cold Spring Police Dept. Larry Burke and Putnam County Sheriff Deputy

Paul Piazza will be in attendance at that meeting to answer questions about law enforcements roll in the opioid epidemic. Councilwoman Montgomery attended the Putnam County Mental Health Association Recognition breakfast yesterday. The guest speaker was Mike Chico of Dutchess County who was a big part of putting together their Stabilization Center. She is very much interested in the process and how they got it going.

**RECYCLING** – No report.

**PLANNING BOARD** – Councilman Flaherty reported that he attended the meeting on April 20, 2017. There was a full agenda. First there was a Public Hearing for Jeremy and Amy Samsung. There were five (5) other items on the agenda: Sorenson, Sabatini, Stone Crop, Hudson Highland Preserve and Olspan. The next meeting will be on May 18, 2017.

**ZONING BOARD** – Councilman Van Tassel attended the April 24, 2017 meeting. There were two (2) items on the agenda: Public Hearing for Stone Crop and Grasso. The next meeting will be held on May 15, 2017.

**HIGHWAY** – Councilman Van Tassel said that there was no report this month.

**BUILDING & LAND ACQUISITION** – Councilman Van Tassel reported that they had a job site meeting with regard to the Dahlia House. The Board discussed other work that will be done at the Town Hall.

**PUTNAM COUNTY LEGISLATOR** – Legislator Scuccimarra could not attend tonight.

**CEMETERY COMMITTEE** – Councilman Leonard reported that they have worked on over thirty (30) graves at the Cedar Street cemetery. They plan to concentrate on this through the year. A little later this month they will place flags on the graves for the Memorial Day weekend. The school will be going to the cemeteries to look at a grave and find out the history.

**BUTTERFIELD LIBRARY** – Councilwoman Montgomery reported that the library will be having a book sale Friday May 19 through Monday May 21, 2017. Students looking for community service can contact the library. There is a new program where you can stream and download music using your library card – 3 songs per week. The library will have a tuition free summer camp for 1<sup>st</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup> grades. Registration will take place the week of July 10 and you must be a Philipstown resident.

**TOWN OF PHILIPSTOWN  
MONTHLY REPORT OF TOWN SUPERVISOR  
MONIES RECEIVED AS OF MAY 4, 2017**

**GENERAL & PART-TOWN FUNDS**

Justice Fees 3/17	\$11,740.50
Legal Fees-Old Albany Post Rd.	3,834.70
Rec Fees 3/17	51,998.78
Bldg. Fees	35,654.05
Bldg. Fees	18,097.32

**HIGHWAY FUND**

Put. Co. Gas	\$1,283.43
Put. Co. Gas	248.33
Perma Workers Comp	906.74
Gen Fund Gas	248.33
NYS Fema	143,737.56

**CONTINENTAL VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT**

**CONTINENTAL VILLAGE PARK DISTRICT**

Clubhouse Fees	\$175.00
Taxes Cortland	4,130.00

## **AGENDA**

### **1. Discussion with regard to Recreation Director, Amber Stickle's participation in the Putnam County Committee on Emergency Response and Preparedness.**

Ms. Stickle said that she was contacted this fall by the "CRC" - Putnam County Community Resilience Coalition. They were established in 2015 to collaboratively assess and improve the Counties ability to meet the needs of children before, after and during an emergency. Putnam County is actually one of two pilot communities taking part in a children's resilient community initiative.

She was also contacted by a member of the Putnam County Health Department to possibly join the Disaster Preparedness Bio Terrorism Task Force. They have been looking for a representative from Philipstown and they thought she would be a good fit. The Task Force conducts meetings to discuss planning for conducting and responding to public health emergencies. She is asking for the Town Boards support in attending these meetings.

The second organization she was approached by Commissioner Anthony Sutton about joining the Putnam Emergency Services Safety Advisory Board "ESSAB". This group was created to make recommendations to the County Executive and County Legislature relative to building codes and other concerns related to the health and safety of the public. This is a County appointed board and she had to be appointed. Their most recent project is cycle safety.

She is honored to work with the County to bridge some of these gaps between County services and Philipstown.

Supervisor Shea asked Ms. Stickle how being on these three (3) separate committees was going to impact her work at recreation. Ms. Stickle responded that one committee only meets bi-monthly, another meets monthly but does have to do with her work at recreation and the third committee meets in the evening.

### **2. Resolution appointing the following to the Town of Philipstown's Stormwater Committee:**

- **Max Garfinkle**
- **Carl Frisenda**
- **Michael Leonard**

**RESOLUTION #91-2017**

The following Resolution was presented by Councilman Flaherty, seconded by Councilman Van Tassel and unanimously carried;

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board hereby appoints the following to the Town of Philipstown's Stormwater Committee:

- Max Garfinkle
- Carl Frisenda
- Michael Leonard

**3. Resolution authorizing Carl Frisenda to sign a Shared Services Agreement between the Town of Philipstown and New York State Department of Transportation. (Roll Call vote)**

**RESOLUTION #92-2017**

The following Resolution was presented by Councilwoman Montgomery, seconded by Councilman Flaherty and unanimously carried;

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board hereby authorizes Carl Frisenda, Highway Superintendent to sign the Shared Services Agreement between the Town of Philipstown and the New York State Department of Transportation for a term of one (1) year.

The vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

Nancy Montgomery, Councilwoman, voting	AYE
John Van Tassel, Councilman, voting	AYE
Robert Flaherty, Councilman, voting	AYE
Michael Leonard, Councilman, voting	AYE
Richard Shea, Councilman, voting	AYE

Town Clerk Merando said that there was an additional item that needed to be addressed and that is a for a blanket resolution authorizing the Highway Department Superintendent, Carl Frisenda, to purchase certain equipment under \$10,000 so he can act quickly if an auction comes up.

**RESOLUTION #93-2017**

Blanket Resolutions authorizing the Highway Department to purchase equipment.

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Philipstown Highway Department has funds in its budget for 2017 for the purchase of necessary equipment, such as mowers; and

**WHEREAS**, from time to time the Highway department will be making purchases of such equipment; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary and proper for that Town Board to approve all equipment purchases by Town Departments; and

**WHEREAS**, provided that the items of equipment being purchased by the Highway Department are below the legal competitive bid amount, and that the funds expended do not exceed the amount established for such purchases in the Highway Department's budget, it is in the best interests of the Town that the Highway Superintendent be authorized to make such purchases without returning to the Town Board for separate approval on each such purchase.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town Board hereby authorize the Town Highway Superintendent to purchase items of equipment, such as mowers, which he deems necessary for the Highway Department on the following conditions:

1. The authorized equipment purchases shall not exceed the amount established for such purchases in the Highway Department budget for 2017; and
2. Each such purchase shall be for an amount below the state competitive bidding limit; and
3. Each such purchase must comply with the Town's procurement policy; and
4. Prior to making a purchase, the Town Highway Superintendent shall advise the Town Supervisor of his intention to do so, including identification of the equipment to be purchased and an estimate of the anticipated purchase price; and
5. Upon completion of a purchase, the Town Highway Superintendent shall promptly inform the Town Supervisor of the transaction, including identification of the item purchased and the amount paid.
6. Further, the Town Supervisor is hereby authorized to execute any purchase agreements or other such documents as may be necessary for the equipment purchases authorized by this resolution.

Councilwoman Montgomery presented the foregoing resolution which was seconded by Councilman Leonard.

The vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

Nancy Montgomery, Councilwoman, voting	AYE
John Van Tassel, Councilman, voting	AYE
Robert Flaherty, Councilman, voting	AYE
Michael Leonard, Councilman, voting	AYE
Richard Shea, Councilman, voting	AYE

**4. Resolution appointing a member to the Philipstown Planning Board whose term will expire March 31, 2021.**

Supervisor Shea said that this is one of the toughest things because they get so many good applicants. They had three excellent candidates and had to make a decision. Councilwoman Montgomery said it was a tough decision but she feels they need someone who has a mindset to bring the board together. So with that she said that she is not against Dennis, but will not vote for him tonight

**RESOLUTION #94-2017**

The following Resolution was presented by Councilman Van Tassel, seconded by Councilman Flaherty with Councilwoman Montgomery voting NO;

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board hereby appoints Dennis Gagnon as a member of the Philipstown Planning Board whose term will expire March 31, 2021.

**5. Resolution approving the point listing for the Garrison Volunteer Ambulance Corps for the 2016 Length of Service Award.**

Supervisor Shea stated that this is something done every year. It is all about community service. The volunteers are out day and night so this is something the Town should do. He fully supports this award for these volunteers.

**RESOLUTION #95-2017**

The following Resolution was presented by Councilman Van Tassel, seconded by Councilman Montgomery and unanimously carried;

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board hereby approves the point listing for the 2016 sponsor Authorization Form for the Garrison Volunteer Ambulance Corps Length of Service Award Program.

**6. Resolution authorizing Supervisor Shea to sign a Parade Permit for the Cannonball Scholarship Fund scheduled for June 10, 2017 from Noon – 5:00 pm.**

**RESOLUTION #96-2017**

The following Resolution was presented by Councilman Flaherty, seconded by Councilman Van Tassel and unanimously carried;

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board hereby authorizes Supervisor Shea to sign a Parade Permit for the Cannonball Scholarship Fund scheduled for June 10, 2017 from Noon – 5:00 pm.

#### **7. Code Enforcement Monthly Report.**

Town Clerk Merando read the report, which is on file in the Town Clerks office.

Supervisor Shea said that the Town is very lucky to have Greg Wunner who is doing a great job.

Councilman Van Tassel said that he was contacted by the Fire Chiefs who recommended that they get together with Greg Wunner, Building Inspector as was done with the previous Inspector. He will try to arrange within the next month.

Town Clerk Merando asked if the Board wanted to pass the resolution on the Stormwater – MS4 Annual Report.

#### **RESOLUTION #97-2017**

Resolution accepting the MS4 Annual Report.

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Philipstown has been identified as a Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) under the EPA's Phase II Stormwater Regulations under the Clean Water Act of 1999, and

**WHEREAS**, the Phase II Program requires each MS4 to prepare an Annual Report, on the efforts the Town of Philipstown to protect and improve the water quality of our streams and water bodies; and

**WHEREAS**, the public is invited to review the Annual Report and provide input; and

**WHEREAS**, an Annual Report has been prepared in conformance with the Phase II Regulations by the Stormwater Committee of the Town of Philipstown; and

**WHEREAS**, the Annual Report must be submitted to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Offices in Albany, New York by June 1, 2017, or as amended;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Annual report is accepted by the Town of Philipstown Town Board and that said Annual Report is available for public review at <http://www.Philipstown.com> and the Philipstown Town Hall.

Councilwoman Montgomery presented the foregoing resolution which was seconded by Councilman Leonard.



The vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

Nancy Montgomery, Councilwoman, voting	AYE
John Van Tassel, Councilman, voting	AYE
Robert Flaherty, Councilman, voting	AYE
Michael Leonard, Councilman, voting	AYE
Richard Shea, Supervisor, voting	AYE

#### **8. Schedule Workshops/Meetings.**

May 10, 2017          Workshop – Karen Ertl

#### **9. Any other business that may come before the Town Board.**

Supervisor Shea reported that NYC DEP wants the Town to form a water district. This would be for 12 residents outside of the Village of Cold Spring proper who use the water from the Village. The reason for this is that the city is afraid that they will not get paid if the Village cannot supply these 12 residents with water. If the Town does not form a water district these residents will be charged \$5.00 per 1,000 gallons whether they use it or not. Setting up and administering a water district will cost the Town thousands of dollars and requires legal services. He said that this is absurd and the Town will not do it. He said that he will call Assemblywoman Sandy Galef tomorrow. Councilwoman Montgomery said that she had met with Greg Phillips and a representative from Sean Patrick Maloney's office last year but does not remember that the fee would be that high.

Supervisor Shea talked about the CCA (Community Choice Aggregate) and that recently he has seen some bashing, in the paper, of the program's efforts to use renewable energy. Westchester County has a CCA, which means every single community in Westchester, including Yonkers, had an attorney look at this. New York State has had their attorney look at it and is in favor of it. The State will host a workshop in our Town next Monday which Supervisor Shea will attend. Councilman Van Tassel noted that there is no obligation to participate in the program - any resident who does not want to participate can have their name taken off the list. Councilman Leonard said that New Jersey started this program and it has been successful with a 13% savings to residents.

Councilman Flaherty reported that the Betty Budney Memorial has been completed and asked about having a ceremony to dedicate it. Supervisor Shea said that they would definitely do that. Councilman Flaherty had another reminder – Blood drive today in town and the Fishing Derby which will take place on Sunday, May 7, 2017.

Councilwoman Montgomery asked the Board if they had received an email from Jill Varricchio (Putnam Economic Council) with regard to Consolidated Funding Grant applications which kicked off on the 1<sup>st</sup>. There are fifteen (15) different programs available. She would recommend that the public take a look at it (small businesses and

agriculture.) The Town should also look at it to see what could suit us. She will take a look at it herself. Deadline is July 28, 2017

Councilman Flaherty reported that the Royal Voucher program is going very well. At least 100 vouchers have been picked up. He will get more vouchers from Royal Carting.

## **AUDIENCE**

### **VACANCIES**

Planning Board (0)

Conservation Board (1)

### **APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS**

Councilman Van Tassel made a motion, seconded by Councilman Leonard and unanimously carried that the General Vouchers in the amount of \$103,357.81 are hereby approved as set forth in Abstract 4A & 5.

Councilman Flaherty made a motion, seconded by Councilman Leonard and unanimously carried that the Highway Vouchers in the amount of \$51,865.71 are hereby approved as set forth in Abstract 4A & 5.

Councilman Leonard made a motion, seconded by Councilman Flaherty and unanimously carried that the CVPD Vouchers in the amount of \$2,966.93 are hereby approved as set forth in Abstract 5.

Councilman Van Tassel made a motion, seconded by Councilman Flaherty and unanimously carried that the CVWD Vouchers in the amount of \$7,198.27 are hereby approved as set forth in Abstract 5.

There being no further business to discuss, Councilman Van Tassel made a motion, seconded by Councilman Leonard to close the Monthly Meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Theresa Crawley  
Deputy Town Clerk