

**TOWN BOARD MEETING
May 17, 2018**

A regularly scheduled Town Board Meeting was held on Thursday, May 17, 2018 in the Town Hall, 284 Broadway, Ulster Park, NY with the following persons in attendance:

**Supervisor Shannon Harris
Councilperson Gloria Van Vliet
Councilperson Jared Geuss
Councilperson Kathie Quick
Councilperson Chris Farrell**

Administrative Recorder: Holly A. Netter, Town Clerk, RMC

Supervisor Shannon Harris called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

PLEDGE

PUBLIC COMMENT – NONE

CPC Update – Jared Geuss

“Your opinion counts” open house held by the CPC was a success. Many people stopped by to give their thoughts and opinions of what the Town of Esopus would like in the future. On May 24th, the “Town Wide Design Workshop” will be held upstairs at the Town Hall from 4pm – 8 pm. Members of the Community are encouraged to participate.

Memorial Day Parade Announcement

The Memorial Day Parade will be held Monday May 28th. It will kick off from the Dollar General and proceed south to the Riverview Cemetery. After the American Legion Memorial Ceremony the participants will march back to the Port Ewen Fire Department where refreshments will be served.

Port Ewen Post Office Update

Supervisor Harris gave an update on the temporary relocation of the Port Ewen Post Office. There is paperwork in Washington DC waiting to be signed off on to relocate the Port Ewen Post Office temporarily to the Port Ewen Fire Department Headquarters on Legion Court. Supervisor Harris said she hoped to receive confirmation shortly. The roof needs to be inspected by the Building Inspector to see the extent of the damage prior to the work starting. The dates given by the landlord have changed several times. The

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Supervisor Harris has been urging him to move expeditiously and he has engaged with a local roofer to make the repairs.

MS4 Report 2018/ Change in Fee Schedule Salvatore Morello

Salvatore Morello, Building Inspector reviewed the MS4 report for 2018.

A MOTION WAS MADE COUNCILPERSON KATHIE QUICK TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE MS4 REPORT FOR 2018. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SHANNON HARRIS. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILPERSON KATHIE QUICK TO ADOPT THE NEW BUILDING PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE AS WELL AS THE OPERATING FEE SCHEDULE. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON JARED GEUSS. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

Eagle Scout Proposal – Alex Wells

Alex Wells gave a presentation of a proposed Eagle Scout project that would construct a black granite flag burning sight for the American Legion at the Veteran’s memorial located at the Esopus Town Hall. The space utilized for the project will be approximately 10’ x 10’. The burning caldron would be removable to allow the American Legion to store it when it was not in use. The granite base would be permanent and can be used to hold the urns when there are memorial services. The cost of the project is estimated to be \$1,300. Alex will raise funds and get assistance with the project from fellow scouts, family and friends.

The Town Board felt it was a great project. Alex has to get further approval from the Boy Scout Council before he can start. He hopes to begin the project late June and have it completed in August. Alex needs four more badges to become an Eagle Scout.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILPERSON CHRIS FARRELL TO ENDORSE THE PROPOSED EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT OF ALEX WELLS. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON JARED GEUSS. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

NO BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS – May 2018

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Esopus, County of Ulster as follows:

WHEREAS, the Town of Esopus has been presented with vouchers for payment and these vouchers have been examined and approved by the Town Board,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following vouchers be approved for payment:

GENERAL FUND	181190 - 181248	\$ 65,371.85
HIGHWAY FUND	182100 - 182125	\$ 63,649.33
STREET LIGHTS	186005	\$ 5,033.71
PORT EWEN SEWER FUND	183041 - 183056	\$ 9,132.59
PORT EWEN WATER FUND	184102 - 184127	\$ 19,153.60
Capital	000009	\$ 344.61
TOTAL		\$ 162,685.69

A MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE THE PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS.

OFFERED BY: Councilperson Kathie Quick

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Chris Farrell

Councilperson Gloria Van Vliet AYE
Councilperson Jared Geuss AYE
Councilperson Kathie Quick AYE
Councilperson Chris Farrell AYE
Supervisor Shannon Harris AYE

ALL TOWN BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION – POTENTIAL EMPLOYEES

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILPERSON GLORIA VAN VLIET TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:25 PM FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING THE POTENTIAL EMPLOYMENT OF FOUR INDIVIDUALS. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON KATHIE QUICK. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR; MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION WAS MADE TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION BY COUNCILPERSON GLORIA VAN VLIET AT 7:54 PM. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SHANNON HARRIS. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR; MOTION CARRIED.

****A MOTION WAS MADE BY KATHIE QUICK TO HIRE DEVIN MCDERMOTT, JOHN O’CONNOR AND LUIS TORRES TO PERFORM THE DUTY OF COURT OFFICERS AT THE RATE OF \$25 PER HOUR. IN ADDITION MELANIE MARINO IS HIRED AS THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND OUTREACH COORDINATOR AT THE RATE OF \$15 PER HOUR FOR A MAXIMUM OF 15 HOURS PER WEEK CONTINGENT UPON CONSULTING LEGAL COUNCIL REGARDING HER CURRENT POSITION ON THE PLANNING BOARD. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON CHRIS FARRELL. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR; MOTION CARRIED**

ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION TO ADJOURN WAS MADE BY SUPERVISOR SHANNON HARRIS AT 7:56 PM. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON JARED GEUSS. ALL MEMBERS WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Next workshop meeting will be June 5, 2018

Respectfully submitted,

Holly A. Netter
Town Clerk, RMC