

**TOWN BOARD MEETING
August 23, 2017**

A regularly scheduled Town Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, August 23, 2017 in the Town Hall, 284 Broadway, Ulster Park, N.Y. with the following persons in attendance:

**Supervisor Diane McCord
Councilperson Gloria Van Vliet
Councilperson Wayne Freer
Councilperson Jared Geuss
Councilperson Kathie Quick**

Administrative Recorder: Holly A. Netter, Town Clerk

Deputy Supervisor Kathie Quick called the Meeting to order at 7:33 PM.

PLEDGE

PUBLIC COMMENT – none

**TOWN OF ESOPUS
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN SUPERVISOR
TO SIGN A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT
WITH THE TOWNS OF GARDINER, HURLEY, ROCHESTER, ROSENDALE,
MARBLETOWN, PLATTEKILL, SAUGERTIES AND WOODSTOCK**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Esopus, in the County of Ulster, State of New York the following:

WHEREAS, the Town of Esopus has determined that it is in the best interests of its citizens to enter into a shared services agreement with adjacent Towns in Ulster County for certain highway, non-highway, specialty equipment and/or skilled personnel for highway and other Town functions,

WHEREAS, Article 5-G of the New York General Municipal Law and Sections 102, 133-a and 135 allow such Agreements,

WHEREAS, Senate Bill S.2009-C and Assembly Bill A.3009-C, Section BBB, signed by the Governor on or about April 5, 2017 and enacted into law, titled County-wide shared services property taxing savings plan encourages shared services between municipalities;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Esopus Town Board authorizes the Town Supervisor, Diane L. McCord, to sign on behalf of the Town of Esopus a Shared Services Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto, with the adjacent Towns in Ulster County.

Resolution offered by: Councilperson Wayne Freer
Resolution seconded by: Councilperson Kathie Quick

Councilperson Wayne Freer	AYE
Councilperson Gloria VanVliet	AYE
Councilperson Kathie Quick	AYE
Councilperson Jared Geuss	AYE
Supervisor Diane L. McCord	AYE

ILLEGAL DUMPING RIVER ROAD

Supervisor McCord has been working on the issue of the illegal dumping on River Road. Supervisor McCord shared an email from a resident who volunteered to help bring the tires closer to the road to make disposal of the tires easier to clean up. She reviewed her conversations with the various departments of Ulster County including the RRA, County Executive's office, Public Works and the NYS DEC. The situation now has the attention of all parties and the Town and County will work together to address the matter. Councilperson Kathy Quick who is the Environmental Board liaison shared her conversations with Janet Balushi and Eli Schloss who are current members of the Waterfront Advisory Board. Janet and Eli also reached out to the County on behalf of getting this matter rectified. Supervisor McCord said the dispatcher from Ulster County will be sending a truck tomorrow to remove the tires, she will follow up.

NYS OFFICE OF REAL PROPERTY TAX

NYS Office of Real Property Tax Services established an equalization rate for the Town of Esopus at 100%.

TEVAS CONTRACT

The lawyers have the contract under review.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SUPERVISOR DIANE MCCORD TO APPROVE THE TOWN CLERK'S MINUTES. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON KATHIE QUICK. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMUNICATION & REPORTS ARE AVAILBLE IN THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

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 budget adjustments and the adjustments have been examined and approved by the Town Board.

Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the following budget adjustments be approved for payment:

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT FOR AUGUST

O-0599.000 Fund Balance	To	DA.5112.400	\$47,848.00
			CHIPS EXTRA FUNDS RECEIVED

A MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE THE BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS.

OFFERED BY: Councilperson Wayne Freer
SECONDED BY: Councilperson Gloria Van Vliet

Councilperson Wayne Freer	AYE
Councilperson Gloria Van Vliet	AYE
Councilperson Jared Geuss	AYE
Councilperson Kathie Quick	AYE
Supervisor Diane McCord	AYE

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

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS – AUGUST 2017

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	171357- 171412	\$ 78,077.43
HIGHWAY FUND	172163 - 172182	\$ 151,588.50
STREET LIGHTS	176006	\$ 6,405.38
PORT EWEN SEWER FUND	173094 -173111	\$ 8,565.83
PORT EWEN WATER FUND	174174 - 174203	\$ 16,298.50
TOTAL		\$ 260,935.64

A MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE THE PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS.

OFFERED BY: Councilperson Gloria Van Vliet
SECONDED BY: Councilperson Jared Geuss

Councilperson Wayne Freer **AYE**
Councilperson Gloria Van Vliet **AYE**
Councilperson Jared Geuss **AYE**
Councilperson Kathie Quick **AYE**
Supervisor Diane McCord **AYE**

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

MISCELLANEOUS

Budget workshop meeting set for 9am September 7, 2017.

Supervisor McCord announced a ribbon cutting date for the solar project at the Transfer Station however it was suggested by Councilperson Freer to have it on a Saturday so more people could attend. Supervisor McCord will ask BQ for another date.

ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION TO ADJOURN WAS MADE BY COUNCILPERSON WAYNE FREER AT 7:50 PM. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON JARED GEUSS. ALL MEMBERS WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Holly A. Netter
Town Clerk, RMC