



Town Board ★★★★★★★★★★

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Councilman Eric Kane, Anthony Lucenti, Robert VanDusen, and Councilwoman Bette Szesny.

ALSO PRESENT WERE: Superintendent of Highways Donald Sroka, Town Clerk Barbara J. Bouliia, Assessor George Haskell, and absent was Philip Green.

Others present were town residents; Jo Anne Mammone, and Peter Cardone Jr.

Supervisor Kenneth M. Dodge led the assembled people in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

MINUTES OF DECEMBER 30, 2015: Motion by VanDusen, second by Szesny, that the Town Board dispense with the reading of the minutes of December 30, 2015, and approve them as printed; all in favor.

PAY BILLS: Motion by Lucenti, second by VanDusen that the bills be paid as presented: General #1 to #31, and Highway #1 to #8; all in favor.

RESIDENT COMMENT: JoAnn Mammone said the winners have all received their checks, and she delivered the plaque to Mr. & Mrs. Truax.

FINALIZE SUPERVISOR'S APPOINTMENTS & SALARY SCHEDULE: Motion by Szesny, second by Lucenti finalizing the Supervisor's appointments and salary schedule for 2016; all in favor.

— COMMITTEE REPORTS —

ASSESSOR REPORT BY GEORGE HASKELL: Assessor George Haskell said everything is good. Star Exemptions are coming in.

CODES BY PHILIP GREEN: The Town Clerk said Philip Green is not here due to weather conditions.

HIGHWAY REPORT BY DONALD SROKA: Superintendent of Highways Sroka said the new loader had a leak in it and it is fixed. He said the new speed limit signs are up on Cosby Manor Road for 45 M.P.H.

Superintendent of Highways Sroka said he needs a motion from the Town Board for the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town of Schuyler calls upon the Governor and the State Legislature to make additional state funding and resources available at levels that accurately reflect the critical needs of local road and bridges; and increase CHIPS funding the 2016-2017 State Budget, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Schuyler calls upon the Governor, and members of the State Legislature to fully fund and submit a new NYSDOT five-year transportation capital plan; and BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the Town of Schuyler calls upon the Governor and members of the State Legislature to recognize the equality between the MTA and NYSDOR five-year program and by voting on the plans simultaneously.

Motion by Szesny, second by Kane authorizing the above resolution; all in favor.

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SEWER REPORT BY DONALD SROKA
O'Brien & Gere Engineers \$49,940.00 Fee:

Superintendent of Highways Sroka said the Supervisor received the following paperwork from O'Brien & Gere regarding Sanitary Sewer Physical Condition Survey:

Lump Sum Payment Items:

• Manhole Inspection — Engineering	\$ 8,800.00
• CCTV Inspections — Engineering	\$ 3,100.00
• Private Sewer Investigations	\$ 2,400.00
• South Side Investigations	\$ 11,500.00
• Summary Reporting	\$ 5,500.00
• CCTV Inspections, Subcontractor costs	\$ 18,640.00
	<u>\$ 49,940.00</u>

Motion by VanDusen, second by Lucenti to have the Supervisor, Kenneth M. Dodge, sign the agreement with O'Brien & Gere; all in favor.

RECREATION BY ROBERT VANDUSEN:

Councilman VanDusen said there is nothing going on.

EASTER EGG HUNT: Councilman Lucenti said the date for the Easter Egg Hunt is March 19, 2016 at 10:00 A.M.

SET DATE FOR EXTRAVAGANZA: Councilman Lucenti said the first meeting on the Extravaganza will be February 24, 2016 at 6:30 P.M., and the Date for the Extravaganza is August 13, 2016.

Mr. Lucenti said the 1st meeting for the Extravaganza is open to the public and committees.

REPORT BY PARK RANGER: The Town Clerk said Joe Boulia could not attend, and he said there is nothing going on.

WATER BOARD REPORT BY BETTE SZESNY: Councilwoman Bette Szesny said Councilman Eric Kane would like to be appointed to the Water Board.

Motion by VanDusen, Second by Lucent to appoint Councilman Eric Kane to the Mohawk Valley Water Board Authority for a three year term; all in favor.

PLANNING BOARD REPORT BY BETTE SZESNY: Councilwoman Bette Szesny said the Planning Board met with Shelly Cool regarding Grant Writing for the Town of Schuyler. Councilwoman Bette Szesny said if we want to retain her for one year, the cost would be \$2,000.00 per month, per her "Compensation and Method of Payment for Services." Councilman Anthony Lucenti said he attended the meeting and Shelly Cool said she was not comfortable with water and sewer grants, if there are any available.

He also said that Shelly was in favor of a small survey to see what the taxpayers would like to have new for their town. Councilwoman Szesny said she can put that in the newsletter. It was decided within the next two months to do a Resident

Survey asking the Taxpayers what they would like new for the Town of Schuyler.

Supervisor Dodge asked Bette Szesny why the Planning Board would make a statement about the "Town Board not doing anything." She said that is what she was told.

Councilman Eric Kane said he talked to a grant writer by the name of Jeremy Silverman from New Hartford. He said he heard him speak at a function. Mr. Kane said afterwards he spoke to Mr. Silverman and was told he gets \$125.00 per hour, with no up front money. Councilman Lucenti said if there was a lot of grant money out there, especially with the Nano Center, grant writers would be knocking on the door. Councilman Kane said he asked Mr. Silverman about grant money and told him of our fund balance, and Mr. Silverman's reply was "doubtful."

It was decided to interview both Jeremy Silverman and Shelly Cool at a February meeting.

COUNTY LEGISLATOR REPORT: Not Available.

SET 2016 DUMPSTER DATES: April 16th & 17th, June 18th & 19th; August 20th & 21st; and October 22nd & 23rd, 2016.

APPOINT GEORGE LUTHER FOR REPRESENTATION AT THE ASSOCIATION OF TOWNS MEETING: Motion by Szesny, second by Kane to appoint George Luther to represent the Town of Schuyler at the Association of Towns meeting; all in favor.

TRAINING FOR JUDGES IN N.Y.CITY, FEBRUARY 14TH THRU FEBRUARY 17TH, 2016: Motion by Kane second by Szesny, authorizing the two Judges to go to N.Y. City for training, and also 2 expense checks for \$500.00 for both Judges; all in favor.

RESOLUTION TO MAKE SUPERVISOR'S REPORT TO TOWN BOARD SAME AS REPORT TO N.Y.S. AUDIT & CONTROL: Motion by Lucenti, second by VanDusen to make the Supervisor's report the same report to N.Y.S. Audit & Controls; all in favor.

AUDIT BOOKS FOR TOWN CLERK AND COURT CLERKS: Councilman VanDusen and Councilman Lucenti said they audited the Town Clerk's Books today and found them to be in good order. They said they will audit the Court Clerks' books on Wednesday, January 20, 2016, at 2:00 P.M.

SENIOR CITIZENS' REPORT: Supervisor Dodge asked the Town Board if they received a copy of the Senior Citizen Report, and their reply was yes.

RESIDENT COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 P.M.

— Barbara J. Boulia, Town Clerk