



# Town Board ★★★★★★

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT** — Councilwoman Bette Szesny, Councilmen Eric Kane, Anthony Lucenti. Absent was Robert VanDusen.

**ALSO PRESENT WERE** — Town Clerk Barbara J. Boulia, Codes Enforcement Officer, Philip Green, and Town Residents; JoAnn Mammone, Linda Basloe, Richard & Jean Finster, Joseph Serbaniewicz, Karen Stepanick, A. Eugene Snyder, Harry Robbins, Joseph J. Boulia Jr., and David Crane from Mang Insurance. Absent

was Superintendent of Highways, Donald Sroka and Assessor George Haskell.

Supervisor Kenneth M. Dodge led the assembled persons in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Supervisor Dodge also said he would like a moment of silence for Robert VanDusen, who passed away last night.

**PAY BILLS** — Motion by Kane, second by Szesny that the bills for the past month be paid as presented; General # 218 to #260 and Highway #129 to #151; all in favor.

**MINUTES OF JUNE 14, 2017** — Motion by Lucenti, second by Szesny, that the Town Board dispense with the reading of the minutes of June 14, 2017 and approve them as printed; all in favor.

**FIELD OF DREAMS LETTER FOR HERKIMER COUNTY I.D.A.** — Supervisor Dodge read the letter from Herkimer County I.D.A. regarding suing Field of Dreams over their default in making PILOT Payments and other agreements. They want a Judgment against them and are looking for legal fees from the Town of Schuyler. Councilman Lucenti said he was talking to Barb, and she suggested paying the fees with the distribution amount they received from the one check. Councilwoman Szesny and Councilman Kane said that is a good idea.

**RESIDENT COMMENT** — Linda Basloe, who is a member of the Schuyler Seniors, said she was appointed to address the Town Board of the problems with the Senior Citizen Director. She said they receive no financial information; she said the Director passes the report around and no one has time to read and she cannot get a copy. Ms. Basloe said the Director gets paid \$5,500.00 and there are other people who would be glad to do it for free. She suggested that someone from the Town Board should go to the meeting and see what actually happens on a Tuesday. Supervisor Dodge said he would do that.

Karen Stepanick, a resident, asked who she should contact regarding the overflowing of a creek near her property. She was advised being it is a State Highway (State Route 5), to contact New York State Dept. of Transportation. She said there has been serious flooding in her area. Councilman Kane said he will also talk to the Superintendent of Highways Donald Sroka regarding her situation.

**MANG INSURANCE RENEWAL** — Mr. David Craine from Mang Insurance talked about the renewal of the Town's Insurance Policy, and it was recommended to renew.

Motion by Kane, second by Szesny authorizing the renewal of the policy for \$37,077.39; all in favor.

## — COMMITTEE REPORTS —

**ASSESSOR REPORT BY GEORGE HASKELL** — The Town Clerk said George told her his computer has been updated by Albany and the final tax roll is in.

**CODES REPORT BY PHILIP GREEN** — Codes Enforcement Officer Philip Green said Screams Along the Canal did not show up for Court on the 24<sup>th</sup> and he will take it to the next step.

**HIGHWAY REPORT BY DONALD SROKA** — Not available.

Councilwoman Szesny said he e-mailed her and said we may be getting Federal Funding from the Snow Storm Stella.

**SEWER REPORT BY DONALD SROKA** — Not available.

**RECREATION BY ROBERT VANDUSEN** — Not available.

**DUMPSTER DATE** — August 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

**EXTRAVAGANZA MEETING** — Councilman Lucenti said next meeting is July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017, and the Extravaganza is August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

**REPORT BY PARK RANGER**: Joe Boulia said everything is running well. He said Soccer has stopped and will start up in fall.

**WATER BOARD REPORT BY BETTE SZESNY** — Councilman Kane said the Mohawk Valley Water Authority received a grant for \$ 260,000.00 to upgrade the plant.

**PLANNING BOARD REPORT BY BETTE SZESNY** — Councilwoman Szesny said Westgate Sub Division was discussed at the meeting. She said the Public Hearing is set for August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 at 6:00 PM.

**COUNTY LEGISLATOR REPORT** — County Legislator Jim Bono, said he sends his condolences to Robert VanDusen's family.

Legislator Bono said there was a lot of flooding in Herkimer County, and Herkimer County has the 4<sup>th</sup> largest road system.

Mr. Bono said the Schuyler Volunteer Fire Dept asked him if he would talk to the Highway Superintendent regarding tapping into the drain tile in the front. Mr. Bono said it is all taken care of, and thanked Highway Superintendent Sroka.

Mr. Bono said they are moving forward on the jail. He said they won the law suit and it is a forty million dollar project.

Mr. Bono talked about shared services and said their meetings have been very well attended, by various towns & highway departments. He said it has been put on hold until next year.

Mr. Bono also said Tractor Supply will be having ground breaking ceremonies on either August 9 or 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017. He also said he placed 7 children in Youth Programs with Herkimer County.

**ADJOURNMENT** — There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

— Barbara J. Boulia, Town Clerk