

SCHUYLER TOWN BOARD
FEBRUARY 14, 2017

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT — Supervisor Anthony Lucenti, Councilmen, Rodney Dodge, Joe Juliano, Eric Kane, and Councilwoman Bette Szesny.

ALSO PRESENT WERE — Town Clerk Barbara J. Boulia, Deputy Superintendent of Highways Philip Johnson, Assessor George Haskell and Codes Enforcement Officer Philip Green; Town Residents Richard & Jean Finster, Clarence H. Caldwell, Joseph Serbanewicz, Robert & Dawn Wasyleski, JoAnn Mammone, Harry Robbins, John Werczynski, Peter Cardone, Jr. and Dale Dodge.

Supervisor Lucenti led the assembled people in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and a moment of silence for Superintendent of Highways Donald Sroka.

PAY BILLS — Motion by Szesny, second by Dodge that the bills for the past month be paid as presented: General #28 to #66, and Highway #22 to #47; all in favor.

MINUTES: JANUARY 10th & 31st, 2018 — Motion by Kane, second by Szesny that the Town Board dispense with the reading of the minutes of January 10th and January 31st, 2018, and approve them as printed; all in favor.

RESIDENT COMMENT — None.

Supervisor Lucenti said there is a fund raiser for Anthony Pagliaro, a volunteer fireman who is battling cancer, which published on Facebook. He said they are selling T-shirts and other items.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT: BY GEORGE HASKELL — Assessor George Haskell said the STAR renewals are coming in very well. He said our new level of assessment will be at 88%.

CODES REPORT: BY PHILIP GREEN — Codes enforcement officer Philip Green said he turned in his report for 2017; other than that, nothing is going on.

COUNTY LEGISLATOR'S REPORT — Not available.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT — APPOINTMENT OF SUPERVISORS SECRETARY. Supervisor Lucenti said he had several candidates who sent in resumes for the position and he has picked Jeff Dingman, who resides on Knapps Knoll, for the position.

FIELD OF DREAMS: TOWNS SHARE IN LEGAL FEES —

Supervisor Lucenti said the Herkimer County I.D.A. is pursuing a lawsuit, and has sent the Town of Schuyler a bill for legal fees. He said the total bill through December 31, 2017 was for \$1,712.79. He said Whitesboro Central School will pay \$904.51, Herkimer County and the Town of Schuyler will pay \$204.14 each, and Herkimer County IDA will pay \$400.00 towards the bill. Motion by Szesny, second by Juliano to pay the bill from Herkimer County IDA in the amount of \$204.14; all in favor.

HIGHWAY REPORT: BY PHILIP JOHNSON, DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS —

Motion by Dodge, second by Kane authorizing Philip Johnson to serve as Deputy Superintendent of Highways until the November 2018 election; all in favor.

Deputy Superintendent of Highways Phil Johnson said he would like to thank the Town Board and his crew. Mr. Johnson also said FEMA will be paying the Town of Schuyler \$9,159.87 for Winter Storm Stella, which happened last year.

FRANKFORT BRIDGE — Supervisor Lucenti said he received a letter from Deborah Windecker, NYS Dept. of Transportation, regarding work to the Frankfort Bridge. He said basically it is regarding the expansion joints of the bridge that have to be replaced and other structural issues. He said he and Philip Johnson will attend the

2/20/18 meeting, and also, Deborah Windecker said there may be grants available to help with the costs. This bridge is shared with Town of Schuyler and Town of Frankfort.

SEWER REPORT: BY PHILIP JOHNSON — Phil Johnson said the meeting of January 25, 2018 was a discussion regarding what is going on with the sewers. He said they are in need of repairs and so far the cost is \$62.00 average per household and will be going up more as work progresses.

Motion by Juliano, second by Dodge, regarding the O'Brien & Gere Fee & Terms for Environmental permitting (lump sum) \$ 5,000.00 and \$1,000.00 for SEQR Assistance (Lump Sum); all in favor

RECREATION: BY JOE JULIANO — Councilman Juliano said the building is up, and paving will be done, with the trim work in the spring.

EXTRAVAGANZA REPORT: BY NEW CHAIRMAN, COSMO PELLEGRINO — Supervisor Lucenti said Cosmo Pellegrino is the new chairman for the Extravaganza. He said the date is August 11, 2018, and the next meeting is February 28, 2018.

TOWN PARK REPORT: BY PARK RANGER — Nothing is going on.

WATER BOARD REPORT: BY BETTE SZESNY — Councilwoman Szesny said they passed a resolution regarding the Mohawk Valley Water Authority taking lead agency status for the water transmission improvement project at Hinckley.

PLANNING BOARD REPORT: BY BETTE SZESNY — Councilwoman Szesny said the meeting was cancelled due to the weather.

ZBA REPORT: NEW APPOINTMENT — Motion by Kane, second by Juliano for Robert Wasyleski to be appointed to the Zoning Board of Appeals; all in favor.

ADVERTISE FOR ALTERNATE ZBA MEMBER — Supervisor Lucenti said we want to advertise in the newsletter for an alternate ZBA member.

SHARED SERVICES MEETING — Supervisor Lucenti said he attended the Shared Services meeting, and it was very interesting. He said the possibilities to get other items such as discounts on purchases such as tires, fuel, paper and if you have problems with a computer and need service, that will also be available.

RESOLUTION REVIEW OF TOWN CLERK'S BOOKS & COURT CLERKS' BOOKS: BY ERIC KANE & JOE JULIANO — Motion by Szesny, and second by Juliano that the Court Clerks' books were audited and found to be in good order and that their report was accepted; all in favor.

Motion by Szesny and second by Juliano that the Town Clerk's books were audited and that her report was accepted; all in favor.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY: OLD COMPUTER FOR DATE BASE — Supervisor Lucenti said regarding the old computer from the Supervisor's Office, the Historical Society is interested in using it.

RESIDENT COMMENT —

- Jo Ann Mammone said the Facebook page for the Town of Schuyler has been updated.
- Supervisor Lucenti said he received a letter regarding Spectrum fees and went to their office and was told there is nothing that can be done about the increase.

- Councilman Kane said he misses Donald.

ADJOURNMENT — There being no further business to come before the Town Board the meeting was closed at 6:55 PM.

— *Barbara J. Bouliia, Town Clerk*