

Special Town Board Meeting
April 2, 2015
7:30 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Susan Zimet, Councilman Dan Torres, Councilman Jeff Logan, Councilman Kevin Barry.

At 7:35 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Torres to open the meeting with the pledge. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Agenda: -IMA with Village, -Moving Historic Records, +Moratorium on Dormitory Projects, +Resolution re: Wallkill River Project. A motion was made by Councilman Logan to adopt the agenda as amended. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Public Input:

Carol Cryer, Plains Road resident asked if the power point presentation made by Dave Clouser at the info meeting will be put on the Town's website.

Ted Cryer, Plains Road resident, thanked the Town Board for their time spent on this water issue, but asked that they don't lose focus.

SUNY New Paltz Police Commission:

Jesse Ginsberg, SUNY student spoke to the Town Board about the need for a Police Commission on campus. Some of the issues he discussed included the Structural Issues, Reasons for a Commission, and Problems and Solutions.

Prepay-Copiers:

A motion was made by Councilman Logan to approve the prepay of \$737.54 as the final payment on the existing Konica Minolta copiers in order to have a return authorization issued for the return of the copies. Seconded by Councilman Barry, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Supervisor Zimet also indicated that there was an additional savings of \$2,700 on the new DocuWare software that was obtained as a result of Councilman Barry's request.

Highway 284 Agreement:

A motion was made by Councilman Logan to approve the following 284 Highway Agreement. Seconded by Councilman Barry, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

AGREEMENT between the towns Highway Superintendent of the town of New Paltz, Ulster County of New York, and the undersigned members of the Town Board. Pursuant to the provisions of section 284 of Highway law, we agree that monies levied and collected in the town for the repair and improvements of highways shall be expended as follows.

GENERAL REPAIRS. The sum of 113,682.89 shall be set aside to be expended for primary work and general repairs upon 59.25 miles of town highways, including sluices, culverts, guiderails, and bridges, having a span of less than five feet or the renewals thereof.

- a. On Old Kingston road commencing at Gun Club road and ending at the town line a distance of .625 miles, there shall be expended not over the sum of \$93,165.77 Type: asphalt PPST (nova chip) wear surface, width of travel surface: 20 feet 7333 SQYD. Scope of work: Cold in place recycling, PPST wear surface.
- b. On Van Kleek Ave including connecting roads of Bud St, Mt. view north, and Mt. View south a total distance of .58 miles, there shall be expended not over the sum of \$177,296.13 Type: asphalt #6 width of travel surface 21 feet 7173 SQYD. Scope of work: Full depth reclamation, place and compact 3" of 19mm Binder (type 3) & 1.5" of 12.5 Top (type 6) wear surface.
- c. On Hawk Hill, Cross Creek. Beginning and connecting from state route 32 and ending on Jansen Road a distance of 0.80 miles there shall be expended not over the sum of \$32,855.21 Type: Fibermat Type A Chip seal wear surface, width of travel surface: 22 feet 10389 SQYD. Scope of work: Placement of fiber reinforced type A. chip seal.

Water Bill Dispute-2 Old Mill Road:

The customer at 2 Old Mill had one high bill that appeared to be the result of an undetected leak, which has since fixed itself. A motion was made by Councilman Logan to allow the customer to pay over a six-month period without any late/finance charges. Seconded by Councilman Barry, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

PrePay-Kirby Vacuum for Buildings & Grounds:

A motion was made by Supervisor Zimet to approve the prepayment of \$995 for a Kirby Vacuum from the Building & Grounds Contractual Line. Seconded by Councilman Barry, all aye votes cast motion carried.

Update on Moratorium on Dormitory Projects:

The draft law was referred to the Town Planning Board and County Planning Board. The UCPB reviewed it last night and determined there was no County Impact or comments. Attorney George Lithco indicated that SUNY had expressed its intent to continue to work to address its perceived need for off-campus housing opportunities for its students. Given that the Town, the broader New Paltz community, and the College all seem to have a common interest in reasonable and feasible solutions to student housing needs, the Town may want to convene a stakeholders group during the moratorium period to inform and assist the Planning Board in making its report and recommendations to the Town Board on the potential impacts and mitigation measures that should be addressed when considering “dormitory projects.” Assuming that it would act only as an informal advisory group, it would not appear that formal action by the Town Board is required. The Board may wish to follow its past practice with such groups and/or nominate a member of the Board as its representative.

Farmers Market in Parking Lot at Old Town Hall:

A motion was made by Councilman Barry to allow Bart Colucci to hold the Farmers Market on Sundays throughout the summer in the parking lot at the old Town Hall. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Resolution Re: Wallkill River project:

A motion was made by Councilman Torres for the Town to be sponsor the following event:

**SUPPORTING THE VILLAGE OF NEW PALTZ PARTICIPATION IN
THE “FUTURE OF THE WALLKILL RIVER” TO ENGAGE OUR REGION AND IMPROVE
THE LOWER WALLKILL WATERSHED**

WHEREAS, the Wallkill River begins in New Jersey and flows north to Kingston, where it meets the Hudson River after joining with the Rondout Creek, and together, they are the largest tributary in the tidal estuary, and

WHEREAS, the Wallkill River watershed includes a number of unique features, including the region’s only National Wildlife Refuge, the Black Dirt farming region, and a designated Wild and Scenic River, the Shawangunk Kill, and

WHEREAS, the SUNY New Paltz Center for Research, Regional Education and Outreach (CRREO), Riverkeeper, the Hudson River Watershed Alliance, Mohonk Consultations, the Town of New Paltz Clean Water and Open Space Protection Commission, the Village of New Paltz, and numerous citizens residing in the northern Wallkill watershed have organized an event focused on “The Future of the Wallkill River” to take place at SUNY New Paltz during Earth Week on Thursday, April 23rd between the hours of 4:30p.m. and 8:00p.m., and

WHEREAS, the purpose of “The Future of the Wallkill River” is to bring attention to the Lower Wallkill River, begin strategic initiatives to define broad publicly supported goals and a vision for it, and to initiate a multi-year series of short and long term steps for restoration efforts, and

WHEREAS, the Village of New Paltz wishes to support this effort to improve the Lower Wallkill and its watershed, as well as improve the health, ecology, economic and recreation potential of the river itself.

RESOLVED, that in order to encourage participation in the “The Future of the Wallkill River” event, the Village of New Paltz authorizes the expenditure of a maximum of \$0.00 to allow payment of no more than \$10.00 per person for event materials and refreshments for municipal leaders and members of the public attending the event.

Seconded by Supervisor Zimet, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Contract for Concession Stand at Moriello Pool:

A motion was made by Supervisor Zimet to award the contract to Teresa Dones from May to September 2015. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Court Officer:

A motion was made by Councilman Logan to remove James Gotto as Court Officer. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilman Logan to hire Denise Rios as a Court Office immediately, at the standard hiring rate. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Parkinson's Awareness Month Proclamation:

A motion was made by Supervisor Zimet to adopt the following:

WHEREAS, Parkinson's disease is a progressive neurological movement disorder of the central nervous system, which has a unique impact on each patient; and

WHEREAS, according to the Parkinson's Action Network, the Parkinson's Disease Foundation, the American Parkinson's Disease Association and the National Institute of Health, there are over one million Americans diagnosed with Parkinson's disease; and

WHEREAS, symptoms include slowness, tremor, difficulty with balance and speaking, rigidity, cognitive and memory problems; and

WHEREAS, although new medicines and therapies may enhance life for some time for people with Parkinson's, more work is needed for a cure; and

WHEREAS, increased education and research are needed to find more effective treatments with fewer side effects and ultimately a cure for Parkinson's disease; and

WHEREAS, a multidisciplinary approach to Parkinson's disease care includes local wellness, support, and caregiver groups; and

WHEREAS, April has been proclaimed as World Wide Parkinson's Awareness Month for all to recognize the need for more research and help in dealing with the devastating effects of Parkinson's disease.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Susan Zimet, Supervisor of the Town of New Paltz, do hereby proclaim April as Parkinson's Awareness Month in 2015.

Given under my hand in these free United States in the Town of New Paltz, on this 2nd day of April two thousand and fifteen, and to which I have caused the Seal of the Town of New Paltz to be affixed and have made this proclamation public.

Seconded by Councilman Barry, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Budget Modification:

A motion was made by Councilman Barry to approve the following modification to 2014 budget:

Increase: DB980-2801.0 Interfund Revenues \$1,877.17

Increase: DB522-5142.4 Garage Contractual \$1,877.17

Reason: To account for the reimbursement of fuel usage to the Highway Department.

Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 8:37 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Logan to go into Executive Session for the purposes of disciplinary action at the Highway and Court. Highway Superintendent Chris Marx was invited in. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 9 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Torres to come out of Executive Session. The action taken will be reported within 24-48 hours. Seconded by Councilman Barry, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

[On April 3, 2015, Mr. James Korosi was notified via certified mail that effective immediately he is terminated from his part-time employment as a Court Officer with the Town.]

At 9 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Logan to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilman Barry, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rosanna Mazzaccari
Town Clerk