

**TOWN BOARD
WORKSHOP MEETING
TOWN OF COXSACKIE
September 24, 2015**

PRESENT: Richard Hanse, Supervisor
Thomas Hobart, Councilman
Patrick Kennedy, Councilman
Michael Veeder, Councilman
Bambi Hotaling, Town Clerk

GUESTS: Aidan O'Connor Jr., and Ron Rouse of Greene County EMS and co-chairs Greene County County wide ambulance task force, Karen Pautz

Supervisor Hanse opened the meeting at 6:05 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The proposed county wide ambulance plan was presented by Task force co-chairs Aidan O'Connor and Ron Rouse. Operational and financial attributes of the plan were discussed, a hand out was provided. Comparisons were reviewed as to what the Town EMS experience is and what the county-wide plan proposes.

The board is very interested in the County-Wide plan.

The Bishop Beaudry contract to prepare the RFP's for the salt shed was presented. After some discussion, Richard Hanse made a motion to hire Bishop Beaudry at \$90 per hour not to exceed 15 hours. Michael Veeder seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Ayes: 4 – Hanse, Hobart, Kennedy, Veeder

Supervisor reported that the assessor's data collector Tracy Boomhower was replaced by Lesley Smith. A motion to hire Lesley Smith at \$10.46 per hour effective September 23, 2015 was made by Patrick Kennedy, seconded by Thomas Hobart, duly carried.

Ayes: 4 – Hanse, Hobart, Kennedy, Veeder

Town Clerk reported that Anthony Rago of Apogee Media has requested an increase (of \$600 per year) for the on-going management of the Town website. His fee has not been increased in over ten years and the scope of work has doubled. A motion to pay the annual fee of \$1200 for website management was made by Thomas Hobart, seconded by Michael Veeder and duly carried.

Ayes: 4- Hanse, Hobart, Kennedy, Veeder

Town Clerk requested approval to attend training in Seneca Falls on October 5. The registration fee is \$35 and the cost of the Hotel room and mileage would be shared with the Town of Catskill. Both clerks are tentatively scheduled to go but are waiting for further information. Thomas Hobart made a motion approving the training. Michael Veeder seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Ayes: 4 – Hanse, Hobart, Kennedy, Veeder

Patrick Kennedy stated that Mike Tighe would like clarification as to why Jeffery Nicholson cannot be hired full time. He informed the board at the September 8 meeting that he would be bringing Mr. Nicholson on full time. Supervisor stated that he cannot be hired as a laborer because there is no money in the budget for a full time laborer position and Mr. Nicholson cannot be hired as a MEO because he does not have his CDL license. Not feasible to downgrade the position. Part-time cannot exceed 29 hours per week. No action was taken.

A motion to accept the budget transfers as presented by the Supervisor's Bookkeeper was made by Thomas Hobart, seconded by Michael Veeder and duly carried.

Ayes: 4 – Hanse, Hobart, Kennedy, Veeder

Michael Veeder distributed information regarding the proposed time keeping system.

General Fund bills in the amount of \$15,722.07 were audited on abstract #12, voucher numbers 2015-577 through 2015-617.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 pm was made by Thomas Hobart, seconded by Michael Veeder and duly carried.

Bambi Hotaling, Town Clerk