

**TOWN BOARD MEETING
TOWN OF COXSACKIE
December 11, 2018**

PRESENT: Richard Hanse, Supervisor
Patrick Kennedy, Councilman
Michael Veeder, Councilman
Linda Wilkinson, Councilwoman
Bambi Hotaling, Town Clerk

ABSENT: Thomas Burke, Councilman

GUESTS: Carol Metz, Dawn Marie Smith, Gabe Wapner, Jeannette Rice, Cari Gardner,
Mary K. Garvey, Patrick Doyle, Edmund Doyle, Larry Ross

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion to approve the minutes of November 13 and November 29 as presented was made by Patrick Kennedy seconded by Linda Wilkinson and duly carried.

Ayes: 4 – Hanse, Kennedy, Veeder, Wilkinson Absent: 1 - Burke

Supervisor opened the meeting to the public.

Jeannette Rice thanked the board for their work during this lengthy process, she reminded the board that Coxsackie's actions will have an impact on other Towns.

Carol Metz reported that she attended her first siting board meeting. Scenic Hudson's appeal for intervenor funds was denied.

Patrick Doyle stated that they have updated their Public Service Statement, have received positive comments from Ag & Markets. Thanked board for their continued work; Article 10 process has not been easy. They look forward to continue working with the Town.

Cari Gardner a Sleepy Hollow Lake resident, addressed the board. She is relatively new to the area and this process. Her husband sent an email to the Supervisor voicing their frustration and concerns with the adoption of local law. Mrs. Gardner said they intend to stay engaged.

Patrick Kennedy thanked everyone for their comments reminding them that this process has been talked about for well over a year; the board has listened to many public comments and presentations.

Gabe Wapner stated that it has been a long process and there is still a long way to go. He asked that the board stay engaged and evaluate the merits of each project. This community opportunity will be beneficial to all.

Mary Garvey, Sleepy Hollow Lake resident commented on the condition of the lake and the contamination of the blue green algae; she provided a handout.

While EMS Chief was not present, it was reported that they had 83 calls. Supervisor wanted the board to be aware that the box ambulance is currently at Sawyer's for repairs; need to keep it running until it can be replaced (a new box ambulance has been budgeted for).

Highway Superintendent Ross reported that the crew has been cutting brush and are ready for winter. He has been working with Chris up at the new site/building.

Correspondence was reviewed and acted upon if necessary:

--Columbia Greene Humane Society – shelter contracts
--Letter from Coxsackie Hose Company No. 3, hosting GCVFC and HVVFA dress parade

Councilman Kennedy suggested the Town support Coxsackie Hose Company #3 as they will be hosting the 131st Greene County Volunteer Firemen’s Convention and the Hudson Valley Firemen’s Association dress parade. They are looking to defray some costs. In the past the Town paid for the portable toilets. No action taken; this will be revisited as the time gets closer.

Supervisor gave an update on the highway garage/municipal building. Offices are being painted, tiling bathroom floors and still working outside with the bio retention pond and landscaping.

Supervisor reported that Frank Gerrain’s term on the planning board will be up the end of this year. Mr. Gerrain has agreed to continue to serve. Due to the resignation of Richard Bruno from the planning board, Joseph Garland was recommended to fill out his term.

Linda Wilkinson made a motion to re-appoint Frank Gerrain to the Planning Board which is a seven year term. Patrick Kennedy seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Ayes: 4 – Hanse, Kennedy, Veeder, Wilkinson Absent: 1 – Burke

Linda Wilkinson made a motion to appoint Joseph Garland to fill the unexpired term of Richard Bruno (expiring 12/31/19). Michael Veeder seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Ayes: 4 – Hanse, Kennedy, Veeder, Wilkinson Absent: 1 – Burke

On motion of Richard Hanse seconded by Linda Wilkinson and duly carried the year end meeting was scheduled for December 31 at 9:30 am.

A motion to schedule the 2019 organizational meeting for January 8, at 7:00 pm and the public hearing for the fire protection contract with Coxsackie Hose Company #3 was made by Richard Hanse seconded by Patrick Kennedy and duly carried. The regular board meeting will follow.

General Fund and Highway bills in the amount of \$647,301.52 were audited on abstract #19, voucher numbers 2018-861 through 2018-946.

At 7:40 pm a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Michael Veeder, seconded by Linda Wilkinson and duly carried.

Bambi Hotaling, Town Clerk