

# TOWN OF WAYNE BOARD MEETING MINUTES May 9, 2017

Supervisor Butchko called the Board Meeting to order at 6:30 pm, with roll call and Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Supervisor Butchko  
Councilperson Haar  
Councilperson Haff  
Clerk Mooney

Absent: Councilperson Carlson  
Councilperson Freeman

Also present: David Bauer, David Oliver, Bob Canfield, Stan Witkowski, Chris Mooney, Jeff and Lulu Martin

In Memoriam: Long time town resident Anne (Dusty) Spear of Crystal Beach and former Bath teacher.

## **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes from the Town Board meeting of April 11, 2017, were reviewed. Motion to approve meeting minutes was made by Councilperson Haar, seconded by Councilperson Haff, and all in favor.

## **Supervisors Report**

Supervisor's report was presented and reviewed. Motion to approve supervisors report was made by Councilperson Haar, seconded by Councilperson Haff, and all in favor.

Supervisor Butchko recommended a budget modification to transfer money from the unfunded balance into account A8020.48 for attorney's fees. The town will eventually be reimbursed money spent on attorney fees from the Verizon negotiations. It was decided to table this action until next month when Supervisor Butchko will present an itemized breakdown of accrued attorney fees.

## **Clerks Report**

The clerk's reports was presented and reviewed. No discussion.

Vouchers of Abstract 5 of were submitted and discussed. Motion to approve vouchers was made by Councilperson Haar, seconded by Councilperson Haff, and all in favor.

Abstract 5 Vouchers were broken down by:

- General Account
  - Vouchers 102 - 126
  - Total \$16,891.16

- Highway Account
  - Vouchers 44 - 59
  - Total \$16,866.43
- TA Account
  - Vouchers 17 - 21
  - Total \$7,047.09
- SL Account
  - Voucher 5
  - Total \$195.04

There was discussion regarding advertising for the open clerk and councilperson positions that will be up for re-election in the Fall. Clerk Mooney indicated that it is the responsibility of the political party leaders to find, register, and campaign for their own candidates.

### **Justice Report**

Justices reports were reviewed. No discussion.

### **Assessor**

Mr. Oliver presented a 2016 year-end report of properties in the town. He related that some assessments have been down for 2 specific reasons

1. There has been a merging of properties
2. There are properties that are 'outliers' that have been jumping up and down in value.

Additionally, new and improved properties have increased some assessments, which in turn balances out the down. He mentioned that based on a scatter analysis, the town is pretty much right in the middle.

Mr. Oliver also mentioned that NY State requires the County to break up subdivisions when they are registered. The town can't assess parcels until they are recognized by the County. Currently, the County is sitting on the properties, and not making changes, until there is a new owner for the property. Supervisor Butchko to discuss this with the legislative representative, Joe Hauryski, at next board meeting.

### **Highway Superintendent Report**

The highway journal was presented and discussed.

Councilperson Haff brought up the question of again looking at the cost analysis of the town taking over plowing and maintenance of county roads in the town. Superintendent Bauer stated that it still is just not cost effective for the town to do this. This is primarily due to the cost of salt. He also noted that no other towns in the county are currently accepting responsibility for county roads in their towns.

Supervisor Butchko presented a brief history of town roads and 'right of ways' (ROW) in the Sylvan Beach area. One resident wishes to purchase a property that may or may not have part of the garage in one of these 'right of ways.' Supervisor Butchko wants it to be known that the town does not want, has no interest in, nor has any hold on this section of ROW. Superintendent Bauer and Councilpersons agree.

### **Code & Zoning Officer**

Review of monthly reports were presented. No discussion.

Planning Board co-chairs, Mr. Witkowski and Mr. Mooney presented information on adopting a new solar permit application, the New York State Unified Solar Permit. This solar permit includes all residential applications for any type of residential use. This is residential use only, not large scale commercial use. This new permit would streamline the process for the applicator, and put the onus of following State recommendations and laws on the installer and the applicant. If the town adopts this permit application, it will then be sent to the State to see if the town will be accepted into the State's NYSEERDA Clean Energy Community Program. If so, the town may receive some money from the state. Mr. Mooney suggested that we use that money to recommend the Wayne Fire Department host all other town fire departments in a workshop regarding solar safety and fire responders actions. If this permit application is not accepted into the NYSEERDA program, then the Town of Wayne can simply adopt it for its own use.

A motion was made to adopt the New York State Unified Solar Permit by Councilperson Haar, seconded by Councilperson Haff, and a roll call vote was taken. Quorum in attendance. All in favor.

Supervisor Butchko	yes
Councilperson Carlson	absent
Councilperson Haar	yes
Councilperson Haff	yes
Councilperson Freeman	absent

Mr. Mooney will send the application to the state.

### **Watershed**

Report was presented and no discussion.

### **Dog Control Officer**

Dog License Report reviewed. No discussion.

The DCO will present a recommended new dog law at the next board meeting.

### **History Group**

No Report.

### **Other Business**

A motion was made to adopt the Bloodborne Pathogen Policy required by our insurance carrier by Councilperson Haff, seconded by Councilperson Haar, and all in favor.

A review of a new pest exterminator, Baker's Exterminating, was made, and the town will switch to this company's services.

Mr. Butchko is in the process of working on an application for grant monies for playground equipment and improvement.

There was a motion made to appoint the following people to work in the compost area and the boat launch stewardship program. These people will be required to attend the boat stewardship program May 23<sup>rd</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. Councilperson Haff made the motion, seconded by Councilperson Haar, and all in favor.

- Brian Lotz
- Zachary Pifer
- Dewayne Newcomb
- Bethany Joy Hilton
- Jamie Breon
- Coomi Weber

KWIC Insurance update. Because KWIC is a separate entity, they will be able to be covered by a separate insurance carrier. By insuring KWIC itself, this will protect each municipality from any legal action that may be made against KWIC. The cost of this insurance program will be split 8 ways by each participating municipality. There will have to be KWIC 'Host Municipality', and that could go to the acting chairperson of KWIC, currently Mr. Butchko, Town of Wayne. Supervisor Butchko will present more information next month.

### **Adjourn**

A motion to adjourn the Town Board meeting was made by Councilperson Haff, seconded by Councilperson Haar, and all in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8.00 pm

Respectfully Submitted,  
Beth Mooney, Town Clerk  
May 9, 2017