

**TOWN OF DEERPARK
TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2020**

Meeting was held at Town Hall, 420 Route 209, Huguenot, New York 12746

Invocation by Arthur Trovei (Participation is Optional)

Attendance:

Supervisor: Gary Spears

Councilmen: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Arthur Trovei

Attorney: Glen Plotsky

Public Hearing on Community Development Block Grant 2021 at 7:20 p.m.

Theresa Creegan, Deputy Town Clerk read the Public Hearing Notice (a copy is attached to the official minutes).

Public Comment: None

Pledge of Allegiance: John J. Wulff

Additions/Deletions to Agenda:

Motion to Add Announcement of Limited State of Emergency to Agenda

Motion by Alan Schock, 2nd by Ken Smith to add Announcement of State of Emergency to the Agenda.

VOTE: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Arthur Trovei, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Presentation/Communications:

Port Jervis Ambulance Update: No Update at this time. They are very busy dealing with the Corona Virus.

Motion to Approve March 2' 2020 Board Minutes

Motion by Ken Smith 2nd by Art Trovei to Approve March 2' 2020 Board Minutes.

VOTE: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Arthur Trovei, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Public Comment: none

Old Business:

Motion to Approve Resolution No. 4 of 2020 – Purchase of Harry Space Property 38-1-104.2 - 394 US Route 209 for \$75,000

Motion by Ken Smith 2nd by Alan Schock to Approve Resolution No. 4 - Purchase of Harry Space Property 38-1-104.2 – 394 US Route 209 for \$75,000.

VOTE: 5 AYES (ROLL CALL): Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Arthur Trovei, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Spears announced two Town Clean up Dates: Starting on April 1st 2020 the Town Clerk's Office will start Issuing Clean Up Permits. The Permits will be issued in April and in May for Residents to take one Truckload of house hold trash. Residents can pick one day in May to bring their trash to the Transfer Station in Port Jervis. He announced we will also be having another Town Clean Up in October. Residents can also pick up Permits for October Town Clean Up starting September 1st to be used for one day in the month of October. Check the website for details.

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New Business:

Motion to Approve Hiring Robert Krentz as P/T Town of Deerpark Police Officer

Motion by Ken Smith, 2nd by David Dean to approve the hiring of Robert Krentz as P/T Town of Deerpark Police Officer.

VOTE: 5 AYES (Roll Call): Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Arthur Trovei, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Discussion: Supervisor Spears read a letter from Chief Szyndor recommending Krentz for his many years of service and certification. He will be an asset to Deerpark. He will start April 1st after his retirement from Port Jervis.

Motion to Approve Hiring of Christine Kohlberger as P/T Town of Deerpark Police Officer

Motion by Ken Smith 2nd by Art Trovei to approve the hiring of Christine Kohlberger as P/T Town of Deerpark Police Officer.

Discussion: Supervisor Spears read a letter from Chief Szyndor recommending Kohlberger for part time Police Officer as she is a Deerpark resident and is currently employed as a Maybrook Officer. She is Experienced and knowledgeable.

VOTE: 5 AYES (ROLL CALL): Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Arthur Trovei, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to pay Bills

Motion by Ken Smith 2nd by Alan Schock to pay bills that have been signed by three Council Members and all may be viewed in the Town Clerk's Office.

General Fund Abstract #4 of 2020 in the amount of \$99,809.28

Highway Fund Abstract #4 of 2020 in the amount of \$68,498.99

Deerpark Street Lighting Fund Abstract #3 of 2020 in the amount of \$285.28

Engineering Fund Abstract #3 of 2020 in the amount of \$602.00

VOTE: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Arthur Trovei, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Approve Submission of Application for 2021 Community Development Block Grant

Motion by David Dean 2nd by Ken Smith to approve submission of application for the 2021 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).

VOTE: 5 AYES (ROLL CALL): Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Arthur Trovei, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Advertise for Fuel Bids Accepted by April 10,2020 at 9:00 a.m.

Motion by Ken Smith, 2nd by Alan Schock to advertise for fuel bids for both diesel fuel and regular unleaded gas to be accepted by Friday, April 10, 2020 at 9:00 p.m., bids to be opened at 9:00 p.m.

VOTE: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Arthur Trovei, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Approve Port Jervis Little League Using Harriet Space Park for Baseball April – November 2020

Motion by Alan Schock, 2nd by Ken Smith to approve Port Jervis Little League using the Harriet Space Park for baseball from April to November 2020, and they agree to work their schedule with other teams.

VOTE: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Arthur Trovei, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Spears announced that the Town of Deerpark is in a Limited State of Emergency. Supervisor Spears read The Declaration out loud. There is a copy of the Declaration in the Town Clerk's Office. Discussion Continued.

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Closing Board Comments:

Councilman Trovei said it is a somber time. We are in untouched waters. We have never been through anything like this. Be good to your neighbors, be wise and caring during this struggle.

Councilman Dean said this is a challenge for everyone. It is tough on our children and grandchildren. Be assured it will work out well.

Supervisor Spears said checking food supply chains

Councilman Smith said this will pass. Can't control common sense. He encouraged everyone to fill out their census.

Councilman Schock said this was not a surprise to God that this was coming.

Supervisor Spears urged everyone to send out their census and reminded people it was very serious. He said he believed they will overcome this. The Town Clerk's office will be doing Death Certificates and handle other business. The courts are closed for 45 days and if anyone has any questions, call the office and leave a message. Judge Wulff offered that court emergencies will be handled, off hour arraignments will be in the County Government Center. They will handle domestic situations to the best of their ability. They will try to give more time to those with suspended licenses.

Ed Hughson, Highway Superintendent reported on the Governor's Press Conference saying the workforce is to be cut by 50%. He said their department should be fine, they are small. Supervisor Spears said he believes that was for large companies and the Town of Deerpark is not considered a large workforce. He went on to say all meetings like the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals will be cancelled, which is state mandated. People may get extensions to pay their taxes with no additional fee. He went on to say they will do the best they can with the tools they have. Councilman Dean stated the doors to the building will be locked and Supervisor Spears said they may have a drop box outside for paperwork.

Motion to Adjourn at 8:22 p.m.

Motion by Alan Schock, 2nd by Arthur Trovei to adjourn at 8:22 p.m.

VOTE: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Arthur Trovei, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted by,

Theresa Creegan
Deputy Town Clerk