

**TOWN OF DEERPARK
TOWN BOARD MEETING
TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2015**

Invocation by Gary Spears (Participation Optional)

Attendance

Supervisor: Gary Spears

Councilmember's: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean

Absent: Arthur Trovei

Engineer: Al Fusco, Jr.

Attorney: Glen Plotsky

Call to Order at 7:35 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance by Alan Schock

Motion to Add VFW Request for Donation for Flags to Agenda

Motion by Ken Smith, 2nd by David Dean to add the VFW and American Legion request for a donation for flags to the agenda under new business.

VOTE: 4 AYES: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Gary Spears

ABSENT 1: Arthur Trovei

MOTION CARRIED

Presentations/Communications

Supervisor Spears announced the Orange County Citizens Foundation, Orange County Parks and Recreation and the Orange County Planning Department request to use Town Hall on Thursday, March 26 at 6:30 p.m. to explore and advance Orange County Trails. That is a forum for anyone who would like to come and participate in that.

Supervisor Spears also announced the NYS DEC for all residents, that there was a statewide burning ban effective today through May 15th.

Public Comment Period – None

New Business

Motion to Confirm Emergency Appointment of Vice-Chair to the Planning Board

Motion by David Dean, 2nd by Alan Schock to confirm email vote of Appointment of Craig Wagner as Vice-Chair to the Planning Board.

VOTE: 4 AYES: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Gary Spears

ABSENT 1: Arthur Trovei

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Approve Proclamation for Catherine Westfall

Motion by Gary Spears, 2nd by Ken Smith to declare Saturday, March 21st Catherine Westfall Day in Deerpark, for her 80th birthday for her many, many years of service.

VOTE: 4 AYES: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Gary Spears

ABSENT 1: Arthur Trovei

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Approve New Bids for Fuel/Gasoline

Motion by Gary Spears, 2nd by Ken Smith to approve the fuel and gasoline bids.

VOTE: 4 AYES: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Gary Spears

ABSENT 1: Arthur Trovei

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Supervisor Spears spoke to the Environmental Facilities of Orange County that day and they agreed to work with the town again this year. The Deerpark residents pick up a cleanup permit at the Town Clerk's Office for the Transfer Station in May. The Transfer Station will weigh their trash, record a total and put it on the bill to the town. This costs the town about \$10,000 - \$15,000 a year, opposed to \$35,000 when the town did it themselves. It is good for the town because nobody has an excuse to not go to the dump. The residents can use their permit once during that month at no charge for up to 4 cubic yards of household trash.

Motion to Approve Town May Bulk Clean Up

Motion by Gary Spears, 2nd by David Dean to approve the May Bulk Clean Up with one permit per resident, for one 4 cubic yards of household trash at the Transfer Station.

VOTE: 4 AYES: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Gary Spears

ABSENT 1: Arthur Trovei

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Approve Dates for YMCA Summer Camp Program

Motion by Alan Schock, 2nd by David Dean to approve YMCA Summer Camp Program for Deerpark residents at \$85.00 per child for a maximum of two weeks.

VOTE: 4 AYES: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Gary Spears

ABSENT 1: Arthur Trovei

MOTION CARRIED

Sign up times for the YMCA at the Town Clerk's Office are: May 1 and 8 (Fridays) from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. and May 2 (Saturday) from 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. This information will be advertised and posted on the website.

Motion to Approve Donation of \$600 to the VFW for New Flags

Motion by Gary Spears, 2nd by Ken Smith to approve the donation of \$600 to the VFW for new flags.

VOTE: 4 AYES: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Gary Spears

ABSENT 1: Arthur Trovei

MOTION CARRIED

Appropriations, Budget and Payment of Bills

Motion to Accept the Monthly Budget Officer's Report

Motion by David Dean, 2nd by Alan Schock to accept the monthly Budget Officer's Report.

VOTE: 4 AYES: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Gary Spears

ABSENT 1: Arthur Trovei

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Pay Bills

Motion by David Dean, 2nd by Ken Smith to pay bills that have been signed by three council members and may be viewed in the Town Clerk's Office:

General Fund Abstract #5 of 2015 in the amount of \$156,243.25

Highway Fund Abstract #5 of 2015 in the amount of \$92,499.70

Deerpark Manor Street Lighting Fund Abstract #3 in the amount of \$510.73

Engineering Fund Abstract #3 in the amount of \$129.00

Special Reserve Fund Abstract #3 of 2015 in the amount of \$185.68

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Closing Board Comments - None

Councilman Dean encouraged parents to sign up their children for the YMCA Summer Camp. It was a great program and a reduced rate for Deerpark residents. Another good deal is the clean-up. You can't beat the price ...free. The Highway Budget – as much as we've had, think of Boston with 108 inches of snow. The Highway Department has a tough job. The Highway Superintendent knows there are some town roads that have suffered and will keep up with the patchwork as best he can. He asked the residents to be patient.

Councilman Schock – No comment

Councilman Smith echoed Councilman Dean's comments. Said he was right on the money.

Supervisor Spears reminded everyone of the burning ban and that the statewide ban is from March 15th to May 15th. He wished a speedy recovery to Town Clerk Flo Santini who fell and broke her ankle. She'll be laid up for a long time. He thanked Kathy and Tippy for picking up the slack. He urged the parents to sign up their children for the Summer Camp program. He was also looking forward to the Explore & Advance Orange County's Trails on Thursday, March 26th and see what they have in store for the residents.

Motion to Enter Executive Session at 8:00 p.m. to Discuss Litigation Re: Academy Avenue

Motion by Gary Spears, 2nd by Ken Smith to enter Executive Session at 8:00 p.m. following a five minute recess for the purpose of discussing the litigation on Academy Avenue with Attorney Glen Plotsky.

VOTE: 4 AYES: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Gary Spears

ABSENT 1: Arthur Trovei

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Re-Enter Regular Session at 8:55 p.m.

Motion by David Dean, 2nd by Ken Smith to re-enter Regular Session at 8:55 p.m.

VOTE: 4 AYES: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Gary Spears

ABSENT 1: Arthur Trovei

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Adjourn at 8:55 p.m.

Motion by David Dean, 2nd by Ken Smith to adjourn at 8:55 p.m.

VOTE: 4 AYES: Alan Schock, Ken Smith, David Dean, Gary Spears

ABSENT 1: Arthur Trovei

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted by,

Kathy Basile
Deputy Town Clerk (for Florence Santini, Town Clerk)