

**TOWN OF DEERPARK
TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING
(ZOOM)**

MONDAY, August 3, 2020

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

Invocation by Art Trovei (participation is Optional)

Attendance:

Supervisor: Gary Spears

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

Attorney: Glen Plotsky

Engineer: Al Fusco

Town Clerk: Florence Santini

Pledge of Allegiance: Al Schock

Call to order: 7:30 p.m.

Additions/Deletions to Agenda: None

Presentations/Communications:

Supervisor Spears: Town Hall is not opened yet. We are waiting on our Governor to give us more information. There are three things to announce under presentations and communications tonight. I would like to read a letter I received from the New York State Town Clerks association that our Town Clerk, Florence Santini has been voted in by her peers to be District Director. This honor is bestowed to very few clerks out of the 933 towns throughout NY State. She will mentor clerks in Dutchess, Orange, Putnam, Rockchester, Sullivan, Ulster, and Westchester and the State Association District 2. They will be well served by her leadership. Flo's term will run from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020. Please join me in congratulating Flo for reaching this milestone in her career. Sincerely, Tammy A. Vezzose, RMC, Secretary, NYSTCA. Thank you Flo. The entire board gave her applause. Officer Nikolas G. Dilles and Officer Matthew Reiley received Town of Deerpark Police Life saving Awards by Chief Richard Szyndor. The Chief wrote that these two officers on July 26 gave CPR and utilized an AED on a man who had no pulse. These actions in a stressful situation saved a mans life. Supervisor Spears wants to publically congratulate these two officers and tell them they are doing a wonderful job. The members of the board thanked our Officers. Also, I want report that our Deerpark bulk cleanup was a success. We gave out 412 dump permits and 252 residents went to the dump. The bill was under \$10,000 and it is noticeable that our town looks much cleaner. We will do another clean up month in October so you can pick up your permit at the Town Clerks office starting September 1st. You can pick any day the transfer station is open in October to go one day for free.

Public Comment: None

Old Business:

Motion to Close Public Hearing for 2021 CBDG Grant

Motion by Arthur Trovei 2nd by Ken Smith to close public hearing for 2021 CBDG Grant

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

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Close Public Hearing for Local Law # 1 2020 15 Minute Parking on Hawks Nest

Motion by Art Trovei 2nd by Alan Schock to close public hearing for local law # 1 15-minute parking on the Hawks Nest

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

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New Business:

Supervisor Spears: We received a resignation letter from ZBA member Dr. Jane Lord. Due to health reasons she would like us to accept her resignation. She served on the ZBA for over 15 years and was a wonderful public servant for many years. I would like to instruct Flo to send her a thank you letter for her many years of great service to our town.

Motion to accept Dr. Jane Lord's Resignation from the ZBA

Motion by Al Schock 2nd by Ken Smith to accept Dr. Jane Lord's resignation from the ZBA

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

MOTION CARRIED

Motion for Authorization to Post an Opening for the ZBA

Motion by David Dean 2nd by Al Schock to authorize an opening for the ZBA

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

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to use 2021 CBDG Grant to pave Old Cahoonzie Road

Motion by Ken Smith 2nd by Al Schock to use 2021 Grant to pave Old Cahoonzie Road

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

MOTION CARRIED

Discussion:

Supervisor Spears: Read input from public comments that were written by the public at the public hearing in July. Some suggestions were to make Huguenot a Brown field opportunity, to put kiosks and signage through the town, and to test the water in the Galley Hill Road area. Highway Superintendent Ed Hughson suggests we pave Old Cahoonzie Road. We did the Senior center/Highway garage and some paving in past years. Councilman Arthur Trovei: I appreciate the input but the road quality in the town is important. Ken Smith: Paving is a good idea.

Motion to pass Local Law # 1 2020 15 Minute Parking on Hawks Nest

Motion by David Dean 2nd by Ken Smith to pass local law # 1 15-minute parking on the Hawks Nest

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

MOTION CARRIED

Discussion:

Attorney Glen Plotsky: This Local Law is for any state highways in the town. Councilman Trovei: Hopefully this law works to make it safe for everybody. We have Outsiders coming in that don't respect what we have. We have to give our police some tools to make it safer. I'm hoping this law can be revoked when things get better. Supervisor Spears: We can solve problems one at a time and have more control.

Engineer Alfred Fusco: asked if the board could do a resolution supporting EOE housing. He will give Flo the information. Community Development added a new rule.

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Appropriations, Budget and Payment of Bills

Motion to Pay Bills

Motion by Ken Smith 2nd by Al Schock to pay bills that have been signed by three council members and all may be viewed in the Town Clerk's Office, along with the Budget Officer's Report.

General Fund Abstract #13 of 2020 in the amount of \$243,667.05

Highway Fund Abstract #13 of 2020 in the amount of \$46,327.71

Engineering Abstract #9 of 2020 in the amount of \$3,07450

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

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Approve July 6, 2020 Board Minutes

Motion by Alan Schock 2nd by Ken Smith to approve July 6, 2020 Town Board Meetings.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Closing Comments:

Councilman Dean: Thanked everyone and to hold on we are almost through this.

Councilman Trovei: Thanked Flo, Matt and Nik for their awards. I would like letters sent to Orange County clerk Annie Rabbitt and Orange County Executive Steve Newhaus to oppose the closing of Motor Vehicle. It will hurt our community. Thanked Jane Lord for her years on the ZBA.

Councilman Schock: Thanked our Police. Thanked Flo. Thanked Jane Lord for her years on the ZBA.

Councilman Smith: I want to thank Matt and Nik for saving a mans life. Hoping things get better quick. I want to thank Flo for getting my dad an absentee ballot. It is important to vote.

Supervisor Spears: We are working with Orange County Legislature Tom Faggione to find a building for Motor Vehicle to be in our area. Annie Rabbit agrees we need one here. I want to thank our police officers. For the fine work they do in our community. I want to congratulate Flo too. We appreciate her in this building.

Town Clerk Flo Santini: Hunting and fishing licenses will start on August 10th. We have a new system. A lot of people couldn't get their printers to work. We are up and running.

Motion to Adjourn at 8:31 P.M

Motion by Ken Smith 2nd by Al Schock to Adjourn at 8:00 P.M.

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Respectfully submitted by,

Florence T. Santini
Town Clerk