

Town of Deerpark Town Board Meeting  
Monday October 19, 2020  
Public Hearing 7:15  
SEQRA Proposed Police Training Facility

Florence Santini, Town Clerk read the Public Hearing notice: The Town of Deerpark regarding environmental review pursuant to SEQRA for Proposed Police Training Facility owned by the City of Port Jervis. This will be utilized by the City of Port Jervis Police Department and other police agencies as agreed.

Attorney clarified what the dates were on the public notice, that if we were on Zoom, we would have to wait to get comments from the public

Public Hearing Notice will be attached to minutes.

**Supervisor Gary Spears** discussed what the public notice is about. Also, that the meeting is not on Zoom, so we do not have to wait the weeks. City of Port Jervis is building this facility, that is in the Town of Deerpark.

No one signed up for Public Comment,

**Supervisor Spears:** Does the council have any comments?

None from the Council.

**Supervisor Spears:**

Motion to close Public Hearing:

Motion by: Ken Smith 2<sup>nd</sup> by David Dean

Vote: All Ayes:                      Councilman: Ken Smith                      Councilman: David Dean

Supervisor: Gary Spears

Absent 2:                      Councilman Al Schock                      Councilman: Art Trovei

**Motion Carried**

Town Board will wait about 7 minutes to start Regular Board Meeting.

**7:30 PM**

**Invocation:** Supervisor, Gary Spears

**Call to order:** Supervisor Gary Spears

**Pledge of Allegiance:** David Dean

**Roll Call:** David Dean, Ken Smith, Gary Spears

Attorney: Glen Plotsky

Chief Richard Sztynodor

Stu Rosenwasser Orange County District Attorney's Office

Absent: Art Trovei, Al Schock

**Addition or Deletions to Agenda:** None

**Presentations and Communications;**

October 2020 is Bulk Clean-Up. Permits still available at Clerks Office

**Presentation on E0203 NYS Police Reforms Reinvention Committee**

Stu Rosenwasser of the Orange County DA's office gave the Town Board and residents a presentation on the new Police Reforms that are being handed down from the State. Mr. Rosenwasser explained to everyone what is going to be needed in the next few weeks to have everything in order to be sent to the State for review and acceptance. There will be a committee of local police, members of the public, non-profit, DA's office, non for profit, local elected officials. They will review policy and procedures for the Town of Deerpark. Meetings will be held and they will be able to ask and have questions asked. Town of Deerpark will not be the same as in other big towns and or cities. The Supervisor will appoint members to this committee. This has to be all taken into what the town will be having to do. They will make a plan with the attorney, a final plan sent to town board, supervisor and then sent to State by April 1, 2021. If not, funding can be taken away. Each and every police department has to do this.

Chief Richard Sztynдор also gave presentation on our police department, he gave the board and residents information that included number of police officers, service calls, demographic of the Town of Deerpark and our hiring and recruitment procedures.

Chief also gave a report on Personnel complaints from 2019 to present: 0 formal complaints. The police departments policy on "use of force". The Chief's report will be attached to minutes.

Supervisor Spears asked public if they would like to comment;

Margaret Spring:

I am a resident of Deerpark, been working with Port Jervis Mayor Decker and Police Chief Worden. Have called Supervisor Spears. We have having 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting at Veterans Park gathering this Saturday. I have been reading on the background of the executive order. I know this applies mostly to cities, will be evaluating policy. Understand people concerns. Someone else who is a Deerpark resident wanted to be here but could not make it.

\*\* Could not understand Ms. Spring on tape, tried to tell her to speak into microphone. She talked about school programs little programs are good. Support for the community and offices.

**New Business**

Motion to adopt Preliminary Budget 2021, set Public Hearing on November 2, 2020 at 7:15PM

Motion made by Ken Smith 2<sup>nd</sup> by David Dean to Adopt 2021 Preliminary Budget and hold Public Hearing on November 2, 2020 at 7:15 PM.

Vote: 3 Ayes                      Councilman Ken Smith                      Councilman David Dean

Supervisor Gary Spears

Absent 2                      Councilman Al Schock                      Councilman Art Trovei

Motion Carried

Adoption of Resolution 8-2020 Inventory of Roads

Supervisor Gary Spears read resolution and explain to town board and residents what this Resolution is and adding a road in the Town of Deerpark Highway inventory of roads.

Motion made by Ken Smith 2<sup>nd</sup> by David Dean to adopt Resolution 8-2020

Vote: 3 Ayes                      Councilman Ken Smith                      Councilman David Dean

Supervisor Gary Spears

Absent 2                      Councilman Al Schock                      Councilman Art Trovei

Motion Carried

Minutes of October 5, 2020

Supervisor Gary Spears told the board that he read minutes of October 5, 2020 and found a typo, it was corrected by Town Clerk Flo Santini.

Motion made by Ken Smith 2<sup>nd</sup> by David Dean to accept October 5, 2020 minutes with corrections.

Vote: 3 Ayes                      Councilman Ken Smith                      Councilman David Dean

Supervisor Gary Spears

Absent 2                      Councilman Al Schock                      Councilman Art Trovei

Motion Carried

Appropriations, Budget, Payment of Bills and Budget Officers Report.

General Fund # 18    \$69,561.42

Highway Fund # 18    \$31,659.13

Street Lighting # 10    \$ 290.81

Special Reserve #8    \$ 895.01

Total:                      \$102,406.39

Motion made by Ken Smith 2<sup>nd</sup> by David Dean to pay bills with 3 or more signatures of council.

Vote: 3 Ayes                      Councilman Ken Smith                      Councilman David Dean

Supervisor Gary Spears

Absent 2                      Councilman Al Schock                      Councilman Art Trovei

Motion Carried

Closing Board Comments:

Ken Smith: 2 weeks elections, please vote

David Dean: Ken stole my thunder: it's our privilege and obligation, please vote

Gary Spears: speed signs on Hawks Nest 35 Miles an hour. Some graffiti removed and the back wall was repaired.

Motion to end;

Motion made by David Dean 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ken Smith to close meeting. 8:01PM

Vote: 3 Ayes

Councilman Ken Smith

Councilman David Dean

Supervisor Gary Spears

Absent 2

Councilman Al Schock

Councilman Art Trovei

Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted by,

Flo Santini, Town Clerk

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
TOWN OF DEERPARK  
TOWN BOARD**

Notice is hereby given of a public hearing to be held by the Town of Deerpark Town Board, Orange County, New York, regarding environmental review pursuant to SEQRA for a proposed training facility on property owned by the City of Port Jervis, to be utilized by the City of Port Jervis Police Department and other police agencies as agreed.

Information about this application is posted on the Town website at **[townofdeerpark.org](http://townofdeerpark.org)**. The Hearing shall take place at **7:15 o'clock P.M.** on the **19th day of October, 2020**, or as soon thereafter as practicable. **IF TOWN HALL IS OPEN**, the meeting will be conducted at the Town of Deerpark Town Hall, 420 Route 209, Huguenot, NY **AND** via Zoom. **IF TOWN HALL IS NOT OPEN**, the meeting will be conducted virtually through Zoom, only. Information on how to join and participate in the public hearing via Zoom will be available on the Town website; Specifically, a link with access to connect to the public hearing will be posted on the website at **[townofdeerpark.org](http://townofdeerpark.org)**. Written comment will be accepted either by email at **[fsantini@townofdeerpark.org](mailto:fsantini@townofdeerpark.org)** or by (regular) mail at Town of Deerpark, PO Box 621, Huguenot, NY 12746 until November 16, 2020 at 5:00pm. All parties wishing to be heard shall be heard at that time.

**BY ORDER OF THE DEERPARK TOWN BOARD**

## Town of Deerpark Police Department

- 22 Sworn Members currently
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- 1 Civilian member
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- 19 part Time Sworn Officers
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- 4 Full Time Members
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- 20 Male
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- 3 females
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- 22 white
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- 1 Hispanic/Latino

## Calls for Service

- 2019: 2,786 calls for service.
- 2020: 1897 calls for service.
- 2019: 283 arrests total.
- 2020: 117 as of this morning

- 70 sq miles

- Cover only 16 hours A day

## **Demographics of the Town (2010 Census)**

- 90.6 % White
- 2.1 % African-Americans
- 1.2 % Asian
- 7.2 % Hispanic/Latino
- 0.3 % Native American
- 2.9 % Mixed races

## **Recruitment/Hiring**

- For Full Time we have to hire off of the Civil service List established by Orange County
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- Part Time officers for the most part come to us seeking part time employment.
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- Each employee must pass a background investigation
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- Each is evaluated on their experience and background.

Because we are a small department we do not actively recruit.

## **Personnel Complaints**

- 2019: 0 formal complaints
- 2020: 0 formal complaints

## **Use of Force**

Deerpark Police Department policy allows for only the reasonable use of force necessary.

Deadly physical force can only be used when authorized under Article 35 of the New York State Penal law.

All uses of force are reviewed by the Chief.

## **Mental Health Contacts**

- 2019: 38 calls for mental health issues.
- 2020: 33 calls for mental health issues.

## **Community involvement**

- DARE Program.
- Child Car Seat Technicians.
- Participate in career days, Read Across America, at the schools.
- Hunter Safety Classes.
- Mock Crime scene for the Cub Scouts.
- National Night out in Port Jervis.

**Notice of Public Hearing**  
**2021 Preliminary Budget**  
**Town of Deerpark Orange County New York**

**PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**, that there has been presented to the Town Board of the Town of Deerpark Orange County, New York, on the 19th day of October 2020 that the Town of Deerpark will have a Town Board Meeting on Monday November 2, 2020 at 7:15 PM for a Public Hearing on the 2020 Preliminary Town Budget.

The full text is on file for public review at the office of the Town Clerk, 420 Route 209 Huguenot, New York during regular business hours.

**THEREFORE**, Pursuant to the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York, the Town Board of the Town of Deerpark will hold a public hearing on the aforesaid 2020 Preliminary Town Budget at Town Hall 420 Route 209 Huguenot, New York at 7:15 PM on the 2<sup>th</sup> day of November 2020, at which time all persons interested will be heard.

**Elected Officials Salaries**

Supervisor	\$46,920.00
Town Clerk	\$48,960.00
Highway Superintendent	\$62,220.00
Town Council 4@ \$12,000.00	\$48,000.00
Town Justices 2@ \$26,000.00	\$52,000.00

**Dated October 19, 2020**

**By Order of the Town of Deerpark Town Board**  
**Florence T. Santini, Town Clerk**