

TOWN OF DEERPARK
TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2016
Meeting was held at Town Hall, 420 Route 209, Huguenot, NY 12746

Invocation by Arthur Trovei (Participation is Optional)

Attendance

Supervisor: Gary Spears

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

Attorney: Glen Plotsky

Call to Order at 7:33 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance by Alan Schock

Presentations/Communications – None

Motion to Add Hiring of P/T Police Officer to Agenda

Motion by Gary Spears, 2nd by David Dean to add the Hiring of P/T Police Officer to the Agenda.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Approve November 7 Board Minutes

Motion by Gary Spears, 2nd by David Dean to approve the November 7th Board Minutes.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Old Business

Supervisor Spears asked Attorney Glen Plotsky to update the board on the contract he drafted in regards to the Port Jervis Ambulance service.

Mr. Plotsky briefed the board on the specifications contained in the agreement and mentioned that the attorney for the City of Port Jervis was working on one for their approval at a Special Meeting. The Town of Deerpark and the City of Port Jervis are agreeing to each contribute \$30,000 to the Ambulance Corp to keep it operating, and come alongside them to offer help in managing the business side of it. Much discussion followed. Supervisor Spears and Councilman Dean reported on their meeting with the management team of the Ambulance Corps and the Mayor of Port Jervis. The entire board agreed this was their moral obligation to the residents of the Town of Deerpark to make sure an ambulance would be available should it be necessary.

Councilman Smith asked how much they were losing a month and Supervisor Spears said it was \$17,000. Councilman Dean said they can't make any money unless they are running but they need 60 to 90 days turnaround time. More discussion followed. Supervisor Spears said he requested Robert Schultz take over their accounting. He then said the money has been in the budget, but if they enter into contract with them, which Mr. Plotsky has written and deposed, he will need a second authorization from them to sign the contract.

Motion to Approve Signing of Port Jervis Ambulance Corps

Motion by David Dean, 2nd by Ken Smith to Approve the Supervisor to sign the contract with the Port Jervis Ambulance from now until December 31, 2017.

Discussion: Councilman Dean asked Councilman Smith to consider assisting them with their management business plan. He said he needs to explain to them, this is the path and after that they can have the discussion about who will represent the town on their board. Councilman Smith asked who they use for current collections. Supervisor Spears said he would find out. Councilman Trovei asked if they are obligating themselves is \$30,000 for 14 months. He asked what they will do if they need more money and Supervisor Spears they'll need another option at that point. They need to make sure the liability insurance, vehicle insurance, the workman's comp, and back payroll are all paid. They have other bills and Mr. Spears, Mr. Dean and Ms. Randazzo could perhaps help them make payment plan with Frontier, Time Warner and keep their cash flow going and they'll know as they go along if they're going to make it. Councilman Trovei suggested they consider other options in the

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meantime. More discussion followed. Councilman Trovei asked if they talked to George Ewing/Mike Diamond. Supervisor Spears said yes and Roger Morgan is now the President of the Board.

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

MOTION CARRIED

New Business

Motion to Hire P/T Police Officer Christopher Mehedin

Motion by Ken Smith, 2nd by Alan Schock to hire a P/T Police Officer Christopher Mehedin per Police Chief recommendation.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Appropriations, Budget and Payment of Bills

Motion to Pay Bills and Accept Budget Officer's Report

Motion by Alan Schock, 2nd by Arthur Trovei to pay bills that have been signed by three council members, and accept the Budget Officer's Report and may be viewed in the Town Clerk's Office.

General Fund Abstract #21 of 2016 in the amount of \$436,340.54

Highway Fund Abstract #21 of 2016 in the amount of \$31,121.22

Engineering Fund Abstract #15 of 2016 in the amount of \$1,703.50

Deerpark Manor Street Lighting Fund Abstract #11 of 2016 in the amount of \$488.27

Capital Projects Fund Abstract #2 of 2016 in the amount of \$2,660.98

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

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Enter Executive Session for Purpose of Discussing Article 78 FOIL Request

Motion by Ken Smith, 2nd Alan Schock to enter Executive Session for purpose of discussing Article 78 FOIL Request 8:30 p.m., after a short recess, and invite in Attorney Glen Plotsky.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Spears reported that the Town offices are closed both Thursday, November 24th and Friday, November 25th for Thanksgiving and the holiday.

Motion to Re-Enter Regular Session at 9:48 p.m.

Motion by Alan Schock, 2nd by Ken Smith to re-enter Regular Session at 9:48 p.m.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Adjourn at 9:49 p.m.

Motion by David Dean, 2nd by Arthur Trovei to adjourn at 9:49 p.m.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted by,

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