

**TOWN OF DEERPARK
TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING**

March 6, 2023

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

Invocation: Al Schock

Pledge of Allegiance: Ken Smith

Call to Order: 7:29 PM

Attendance:

Supervisor: Gary Spears

Councilmen: Ken Smith, David Dean, Al Schock

Town Clerk: Flo Santini

Attorney: Glen Plotsky

Absent: Art Trovei

Additions/Deletions to Agenda:

Supervisor Spears- We had to remove a police officer from employment because he had not quite met the requirements. We need to add the approval of a liquor license. There are also some repairs needed at the grange that need to be discussed, as well as the highway pole building going out to bid again.

Motion to Add the Above Items to the Agenda

Motion by Ken Smith 2nd by David Dean

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

Absent: Art Trovei

MOTION CARRIED

Presentations/Communications:

Supervisor Spears- We have the Dudkos here to give a presentation/update on the Upper Delaware Council.

Ginny Dudko- We has the fiscal sustainability summit. We invited over 20 representatives, senators, governors, reporters from both states; as I've said before we are in financial trouble. When the river management plan was written it was with the understanding that the park service would contribute \$300,000 a year, \$100,000 from each of the states. That never happened. We unfortunately had only a few representatives attend the summit meeting, most via zoom.

[Ginny handed out flyers to raise money for t-shirts for the river workers]

Supervisor Spears- Next up we have Town Clerk Flo Santini with a presentation on the Huguenot Day Camp that we have during the summer.

Flo Santini- Some of you may remember that the former YMCA Camp is now called Camp Reimagined which hosts the summer camp, "Camp Reimagined". This year we will have children ages 6- 13 from June 26th to August 18th. Our cost for our residents is \$100 per week and each child can go a max of 2 weeks. We will have signups Saturday March 25th from 10 AM- 1 PM, and Friday April 14th from 4 PM- 7 PM. The camp will be holding open houses on May 15th and June 4th. These are the only times you will be able to sign up your children for camp.

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Supervisor Spears: The new highway truck has finally arrived. It was supposed to arrive in October but due to supply chain issues it didn't come until March. It is up and running now.

Public Comments: None

Motion to Approve February 6, 2023 Minutes

Motion by David Dean^{2nd} by Ken Smith

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

Absent: Art Trovei

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Old Business: None

New Business:

Supervisor Spears- We have the Orange County DWI Contract for Police Reimbursement. This is where the Town does special DWI Stops to keep our residents safe. This will be Resolution #4 of 2023.

Supervisor Spears reads Resolution #4

Motion to Approve Resolution #4 of 2023

Motion by Al Schock ^{2nd} by Ken Smith

VOTES: 4 AYES (ROLL CALL): Ken Smith, Alan Schock, David Dean, Gary Spears

Absent: Art Trovei

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Supervisor Spears- Every year we do a bulk cleanup month for our residents. You can stop by the Town Clerks office to pick up your permit for free that will give you one free dumping pass for a certain size load. The details can be found in the flyer at the clerk's office or on the website.

We also have to go out for gas/diesel fuel bids. Details are in the fuel bid flyer. Feel free to reach out to the clerk's office for the details.

Motion to go to Bid for Gas and Diesel Fuel

Motion by Ken Smith ^{2nd} by David Dean

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

Absent: Art Trovei

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Spears- Highway Superintendent Ed Hughson is seeking approval to go out to bid for a used Grader. The one we have is on its last leg. He does have money in the budget for it but he needs to go out to bid so that he follows our procurement policy.

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Motion to Approve Highway Superintendent Ed Hughson to go out to Bid for a Used Highway Grader

Motion by Al Schock 2nd by Ken Smith

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

Absent: Art Trovei

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Spears- Next up we are seeking approval for me to sign National Parks Service Proposal for 2023 Police Coverage. We have a law enforcement services letter to the Town of Deerpark from the National Parks Service. They provide us money to do patrols in the Upper Delaware Council territory. This is a proposal to pay Deerpark \$11,917.34 for our police department to do special patrols in that area.

Motion to Authorize Supervisor Spears to Sign NPS Proposal for 2023 Police Coverage

Motion by Al Schock 2nd by Ken Smith

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

Absent: Art Trovei

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Spears- We have some facilities use applications for sports teams at Harriet Space Park baseball fields, so we will need to vote on approval for them. All insurance needed from each league has been provided.

Supervisor Spears reads letter of intent from the Red Hawks

Motion to Approve the Red Hawks League to use Harriet Space Park Baseball Fields

Motion by Ken Smith 2nd by Al Schock

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

Absent: Art Trovei

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Spears reads letter of intent from the Port Jervis Little League

Motion to Approve the Port Jervis Little League to use Harriet Space Park Baseball Fields

Motion by Ken Smith 2nd by David Dean

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

Absent: Art Trovei

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Spears reads letter of intent from the Port Jervis City School District

Motion to Approve the Port Jervis City School District to use Harriet Space Park Baseball Fields

Motion by Ken Smith 2nd by Al Schock

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

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Supervisor Spears- Up next, we have an application waiver seeking our approval for a Liquor License from Rosalyn Kim Winery at 159 3rd Street in Godeffroy. The NYS Liquor Authority automatically applies a 30-day waiting period for town boards to give their approval if needed but I suggest we waive that 30-day period so that she can get her business up and running.

Motion to Waive the 30-Day Waiting Period and Approve the Liquor License for Rosalyn Kim Winery

Motion by Ken Smith 2nd by Al Schock

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

Absent: Art Trovei

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Spears- The Grange/Museum needs seven windows replaced and through donations have received \$3,000. They are about \$4,000 short to complete the job and we typically we give them \$5,000 a year for such replacements. This is to seek a motion for approval to give them up to \$5,000 to do the window replacements.

Motion to Approve the Town to Give the Grange/Museum \$5,000 to Replace the Windows

Motion by Gary Spears 2nd by Ken Smith

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

Absent: Art Trovei

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Spears- We are going to bid for a Pole Barn to store the highway equipment during the tear down of the old highway pole barn. Bid packages must be picked up/brought back to the Town Clerks office. Sealed bids are due back by Friday, March 31st. Bids will be opened on Monday, April 3rd at 2:00 PM.

Motion to Authorize Highway Superintendent to go out to Bid for Highway Pole Barn.

Motion by Al Schock 2nd by Ken Smith

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

Absent: Art Trovei

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Bills to pay:

General Fund Abstract #4	\$218,092.70
Highway Fund Abstract #4	\$117,516.61
Street Lighting Abstract #2	\$288.34
Special Revenue Reserve #2	\$1,016.12
Total	\$336,913.77

Motion to Pay the Bills After Audit

Motion by Ken Smith 2nd by Al Schock

VOTES: 4 AYES: Ken Smith, Al Schock, David Dean, Gary Spears

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Supervisor Spears- Anyone have any final comments or questions?

Resident #1- I am wondering if anyone knows what is going on with the old Lumber Company that has the 70-foot mountain of dirt off Route 6? I just wanted to bring it to attention. It's somewhat near my house, the owner said he is going to build a wall but he hasn't yet. I also am concerned with where the dirt has come from and whether or not is toxic waste.

Supervisor Spears- I called out town Engineer Al Fusco, after receiving numerous complaints. We sent the owner a letter today requiring his to build a retaining wall and to bring his site plan into compliance. So, for the next two to three weeks, we are going to do inspections once a week to check on his progress. If no progress is made, there will be issues with him. But as far as what the dirt consists of, as far as what we've been informed of it is only dirt and crushed concrete taken from excavation sites and such. The DEC has checked on it and have not submitted any reports.

Resident #2- I second what he says, the mountain is frightening. In Meyers Grove where I am renovating, there are many cars collecting on properties. As far as the law, properties are only permitted 1 unregistered car. There are also many Evelyn Kim signs accumulating on my property as well as all over Guymard.

Suupervisor Spears- The building department is aware of these signs and will be acting to have them properly removed. And yes only 1 unregistered car is permitted per residential property. Some of those residents have said it's been difficult due to it being winter time to remove the cars but I don't know how true that is.

Motion to Enter Executive Session to Discuss Litigation and Personnel Matters and to Invite Town Attorney

Motion by Al Schock 2nd by Ken Smith

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

Absent: Art Trovei

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Motion to Enter Regular Session

Motion by Al Schock 2nd by Ken Smith

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

Absent: Art Trovei

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Motion to Adjourn at 9:30 PM

Motion by David Dean 2nd by Al Schock

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

Absent: Art Trovei

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,