

ULSTER TOWN BOARD MEETING
MARCH 20, 2014 AT 7:00 PM

CALLED TO ORDER BY SUPERVISOR QUIGLEY, CHAIRMAN at 7:00 PM

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL BY CLERK

TOWN COUNCILMAN JOEL B. BRINK
TOWN COUNCILMAN ERIC KITCHEN
TOWN COUNCILMAN JOHN MORROW
TOWN COUNCILMAN ROCCO SECRETO
SUPERVISOR JAMES QUIGLEY 3rd

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Councilman Secreto motioned to accept the minutes of the February 6, 2014 and February 20, 2014 meetings.

2nd by Councilman Brink

Town Councilman Brink	- Aye
Town Councilman Kitchen	- Aye
Town Councilman Morrow	- Aye
Town Councilman Secreto	- Aye
<i>Supervisor Quigley</i>	<i>- Abstained</i>

CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS

Hudson Valley Mall – A letter was read asking for input in regard to the mall establishing a parental escort policy on Fridays and Saturdays from 4 PM to Close.

Grosolar – A letter was read inquiring if the Town would like to explore their solar power options with them and the possibility of applying for a NYSERDA grant.

Town Clerk Cosenza – Reported that the Ulster County Town Clerks and Tax Collectors Association passed a resolution to distribute to various government officials assistance in resolving the USA Post Officers problems in delivering the mail in a timely fashion.

ABSTRACT OF CLAIMS

Councilman Morrow motioned to approve the March 2014 abstract as submitted

2nd by Councilman Secreto

Town Councilman Brink	- Aye
Town Councilman Kitchen	- Aye
Town Councilman Morrow	- Aye
Town Councilman Secreto	- Aye

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Supervisor Quigley - Aye

CARRIED

BUDGET MODIFICATIONS

General Fund:

Modify Appropriation A7140.401 (Rec.Equip.Reserve) to be funded through A5110 (Approp.Reserve-Biddy Basketball) Feb. refereeing-Paul Remick 150.00

Modify Appropriation A7140.401 (Rec.Equip.Reserve) to be funded through A5110 (Approp.Reserve-Biddy Basketball) Feb. refereeing-Simpson Brown 675.00

Modify Appropriation A7140.401 (Rec.Equip.Reserve) to be funded through A5110 (Approp.Reserve-Biddy Basketball) Mar. refereeing-Simpson Brown 125.00

Modify Appropriation A7140.401 (Rec.Equip.Reserve) to be funded through A5110 (Approp.Reserve-Biddy Basketball) Mar. refereeing-Paul Remick 100.00

Modify Appropriation A7140.401 (Rec.Equip.Reserve) to be funded through A5110 (Approp.Reserve-Biddy Basketball) pizzas for banquet 825.00

Modify Appropriation A9730.600 (BAN-Prin.) to be funded through A5990 (Approp.Fund Bal.) addl. Funding to payoff PCK Tax Certiorari BAN 517,031.00

Modify Revenue A3089 (St.Aid-Oth Gen Aid-Court Grant) and Appropriation A.1110.200 (Court Grant) Construction Grant#2372 from JCAP-Enlarge Court Office 24,000.00

Highway Fund:

Modify Revenue D1289(Oth.Dept.Income) and Appropriation D5142.420 (Gas & Oil) Feb. Gas Reimb. (Oper.Funds) 9,020.96

Modify Revenue D1289(Oth.Dept.Income) and Appropriation D5110.420 (Gas & Oil) Jan. Gas Reimb. (Ulster Hose #5) 74.28

Modify Revenue D1289(Oth.Dept.Income) and Appropriation D5110.420 (Gas & Oil) Jan. Gas Reimb. (Ruby Fire Dist.) 293.22

Highway Fund:

Modify Revenue D1289(Oth.Dept.Income) and Appropriation D5110.420 (Gas & Oil) Jan. Gas Reimb. (Town of Kingston Hwy. Dept.) 1,392.89

East Kingston Water:

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Modify Appropriation SW7.1950.400 (Taxes & Assessments) to be funded through SW7.5990 (Approp.Fund Bal.) payment toward general property taxes 436.00

General Fund:

Transfer From		Transfer To		
A1450.400	Election Inspectors	A1460.400	Record Mangmnt	1,000.00
A1990.400	Contingency	A1950.400	Taxes & Assmnt.	1,774.00
A9060.800	Hosp. & Dental	A9040.800	Workers' Comp.	1,386.00

Transfer From		Transfer To		
D.5110.100	Wages	D.5110.101	Overtime	14,000.00
D.9060.800	Hosp. & Dental	D.9040.800	Workers' Comp.	693.00
D.9060.804	Hosp. & Dental	D.9040.804	Workers' Comp.	693.00
D.9060.804	Hosp. & Dental	D.9730.700	BAN Int.	1,706.00

MOTION: Councilman Secreto
SECOND: Councilman Morrow

Town Councilman Brink	- Aye
Town Councilman Kitchen	- Aye
Town Councilman Morrow	- Aye
Town Councilman Secreto	- Aye
Supervisor Quigley	- Aye

CARRIED

Presentation by Catskill Mountain Railroad on current status of rail operations and rail with trail plan

Representatives from the Catskill Mountain Railroad gave the Town an overview of their operations. They are a private company that is promoting special events based on franchised characters that attract tourists to the area. Their first event will be the Polar Express train ride with similar theme rides throughout the year. They anticipate drawing people from NYC by offering a considerably shorter commute than what is currently being offered.

Authorize Alan Sorensen to register as a representative of the Town of Ulster for the Transportation Alternative Program for Sidewalk grants

MOTION: Councilman Morrow
SECOND: Councilman Kitchen

Town Councilman Brink	- Aye
Town Councilman Kitchen	- Aye
Town Councilman Morrow	- Aye
Town Councilman Secreto	- Aye
Supervisor Quigley	- Aye

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CARRIED

Motion to hire Frederick J. Riley Jr. as a Full-Time Municipal Codes Officer at a rate of pay of \$15.51 effective March 17, 2014, conditioned on him passing the upcoming Civil Service exam.

MOTION: Councilman Morrow
SECOND: Councilman Secreto

Town Councilman Brink	- Aye
Town Councilman Kitchen	- Aye
Town Councilman Morrow	- Aye
Town Councilman Secreto	- Aye
Supervisor Quigley	- Aye

CARRIED

Authorize the Building Inspector and Municipal Codes Officer to attend the TRI County NYSBOC Class

MOTION: Councilman Secreto
SECOND: Councilman Morrow

Town Councilman Brink	- Aye
Town Councilman Kitchen	- Aye
Town Councilman Morrow	- Aye
Town Councilman Secreto	- Aye
Supervisor Quigley	- Aye

CARRIED

A Resolution Renaming Old Flatbush Road

WHEREAS, the Town of Ulster Highway Superintendent has determined that changing the name of the portion of Old Flatbush Road from 675 Old Flatbush Road to 709 Old Flatbush Road is proper and necessary for the public interest; and

WHEREAS, Old Flatbush Road in the Town of Ulster is currently broken into two separate and distinct roadways, one located north of Route 199 and one located south of Route 199, that are not connected in any way, and

WHEREAS, residents and others have reported confusion and difficulties on the part of emergency services responders and delivery companies trying to locate properties on Old Flatbush Road in the Town of Ulster, which causes not only inconvenience, but also concern for public safety; and

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WHEREAS, Highway Law § 131-f provides the authority for the Town Superintendent of highways and the Town Board to certify the propriety and necessity of such name change; and

WHEREAS, Town Law § 64(9) empowers the Town Board to rename roads in the Town.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we the undersigned members of the Town Board of the Town of Ulster, constituting the whole or a majority thereof, do hereby certify that changing the name of the portion of Old Flatbush Road north and south of its terminus at Tuytenbridge Road (from 675 Old Flatbush Road to 709 Old Flatbush Road), is proper and necessary in the public interest, and it is further

RESOLVED, that Old Flatbush Road in the Town of Ulster north and south of its terminus at Tuytenbridge Road (from 675 Old Flatbush Road to 709 Old Flatbush Road), be and hereby is renamed and shall be henceforth known as Old Flatbush Road North; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk shall send notification of this resolution to the Ulster County Planning Department, Ulster County Department of Public Works, Ulster County Emergency Services Department, Ulster County Clerk, Town of Ulster Planning Board, and the United States Post Office, Kingston, New York, as well as all current owners of property on said road as identified in the most recent assessment roll of the Town.

MOTION: Councilman Morrow

SECOND: Councilman Kitchen

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Supervisor Quigley suggested removing notification to the Assessment Board of Review from the resolution.

MOTION: Councilman Morrow

SECOND: Councilman Kitchen

Town Councilman Brink	- Aye
Town Councilman Kitchen	- Aye
Town Councilman Morrow	- Aye
Town Councilman Secreto	- Aye
Supervisor Quigley	- Aye

CARRIED

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Vote on the motion as amended

Town Councilman Brink	- Aye
Town Councilman Kitchen	- Aye
Town Councilman Morrow	- Aye
Town Councilman Secreto	- Aye
Supervisor Quigley	- Aye

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CARRIED

Motion to accept resignation of Suzanne Reavy as clerk to Judge Weiss, effective March 5, 2014

MOTION: Councilman Morrow

SECOND: Councilman Brink

Town Councilman Brink	- Aye
Town Councilman Kitchen	- Aye
Town Councilman Morrow	- Aye
Town Councilman Secreto	- Aye
Supervisor Quigley	- Aye

CARRIED

Motion to promote Patti Ilgner from temporary clerk to the position of clerk to Judge Weiss at a rate of \$15 an hour, effective March 6, 2014. This is a Civil Service Exempted position.

MOTION: Councilman Kitchen

SECOND: Councilman Secreto

Town Councilman Brink	- Aye
Town Councilman Kitchen	- Aye
Town Councilman Morrow	- Aye
Town Councilman Secreto	- Aye
Supervisor Quigley	- Aye

CARRIED

Motion to award bid for Water and Sewer to Purchase Chemicals for 2014

SALT BIDS

Company	t	Delivery Price
US SALT		\$ 146.22 per ton (22 ton min.)

CHEMICALS - Liquid Chlorine

Company	Product	Delivery Price
JCI	150# Cylinder	\$84.00

MOTION: Councilman Kitchen

SECOND: Councilman Secreto

Town Councilman Brink	- Aye
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Town Councilman Morrow - Aye
Town Councilman Secreto - Aye
Supervisor Quigley - Aye

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Update on Buck's Junkyard litigation and 454 Hurley Ave.

Town Attorney Jason Kovacs gave a brief update on 454 Hurley Ave. where a building was burnt down and the owner had done nothing to remedy the problem. A court order had been obtained and the owner has 30 days to fix the problem. If it isn't fixed, the town can go in and remedy the problem and place the cost of it on the tax roll. Buck's Junkyard would be discussed in an executive session.

Discussion on letter of March 13, 2014 from Ulster County Department of Social Services to Chief Cruise

Police Chief Cruise reported that the County doesn't want to continue its contract for a police officer working for the UC Family Violence unit. They would like the town to offer an officer for free. There were problems with recent changes in the contract for County's reimbursement for the town's service where the town was shorted.

The Officer used for the County service would be moved back to patrol.

MOTION: Councilman Brink
SECOND: Councilman Secreto

Town Councilman Brink - Aye
Town Councilman Kitchen - Aye
Town Councilman Morrow - Aye
Town Councilman Secreto - Aye
Supervisor Quigley - Aye

CARRIED

Volkwagon on Route 9W

Supervisor Quigley explained that, during their site plan renovation, their contractor damaged a town water line. They responded to the break incurring around \$6,000 worth of expense. The insurance company has been billed for this. The contractor has not responded to the insurance company. Supervisor Quigley is seeking permission to take any appropriate legal action against the contractor and or any other party to recoup this loss.

MOTION: Councilman Brink
SECOND: Councilman Morrow

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Town Councilman Kitchen - Aye
Town Councilman Morrow - Aye
Town Councilman Secreto - Aye
Supervisor Quigley - Aye

CARRIED

Town Hall Building Committee

Supervisor Quigley reported on several buildings that have the potential to serve as a new Town Hall. The information will be reviewed internally and then a public session would be held.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

Councilman Kitchen moved to enter executive session at 7:54 PM to discuss a personnel issue with Local #17.

2nd by Councilman Morrow

Town Councilman Brink - Aye
Town Councilman Kitchen - Aye
Town Councilman Morrow - Aye
Town Councilman Secreto - Aye
Supervisor Quigley - Aye

CARRIED

Councilman Secreto excused himself from the meeting as his wife is a member of local #17. Town Attorney, Jason Kovacs was present in the executive session.

Executive session was ended at 8:18 PM

Reinstate William Loeffler as a custodian #2 as per Local #17 bargaining agreement.

MOTION: Councilman Morrow

SECOND: Councilman Brink

Town Councilman Brink - Aye
Town Councilman Kitchen - Aye
Town Councilman Morrow - Aye
Town Councilman Secreto - Aye
Supervisor Quigley - Aye

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Councilman Secreto moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 PM
2nd by Councilman Brink

Town Councilman Brink	- Aye
Town Councilman Kitchen	- Aye
Town Councilman Morrow	- Aye
Town Councilman Secreto	- Aye
Supervisor Quigley	- Aye

CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted by
Jason Cosenza, RMC FHCO
Ulster Town Clerk