

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HUNTER HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2016 AT THE TOWN HALL LOCATED ON RTE. 23A IN TANNERSVILLE, NEW YORK.**

**Present:**

<b>Daryl Legg</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>
<b>Anthony Coiro</b>	<b>Councilman</b>
<b>David Kukle(arrival 7:31)</b>	<b>Councilman</b>
<b>Raymond Legg</b>	<b>Councilman</b>
<b>Dolph Semenza</b>	<b>Councilman</b>
<b>Corina Pascucci</b>	<b>Town Clerk</b>

**Others Present:**

<b>Lara Hamrah-Poladian</b>	<b>Secretary to Supervisor</b>
<b>(arrival 7:16)</b>	<b>Planning Board Chairwoman</b>
<b>Sarah Killourhy</b>	<b>Hunter Police Department</b>
<b>Sgt. Robert Haines</b>	<b>Town Attorney</b>
<b>Larry Gardner</b>	<b>Superintendent of Highways</b>
<b>John Farrell</b>	<b>Hunter Area Ambulance</b>
<b>Erika Bain</b>	
<b>Plus all names on attached listing.</b>	

Supervisor Legg opens the meeting at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

AUDIT – The following vouchers were audited and approved for payment by the Town Board:

General Fund (TW) Voucher #558 through Voucher #584 in the amount of \$7,660.78

General Fund (TOS) Voucher #1063 in the amount of \$245.98

Highway Fund (TW) Voucher #224 through #244 in the amount of \$17,254.44

Highway Fund (TOS) Voucher #1095 through #1096 in the amount of \$1,169.98

General Fund (TW) Voucher #1 through #9 in the amount of \$15,669.05

General Fund (TOS) Voucher #1001 in the amount of \$573.00

Landfill Closure Fund Voucher #1 through #11 in the amount of \$7,445.08

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR – No speakers

#### MINUTES

Minutes of Regular and Year End Meeting of 12/29/15, Special Meeting of 12/28/15 and Organizational Meeting of 1/4/16 accepted.

Councilman Semenza states that the laws approved at the last meeting were not meant to hurt anyone or their business. He states that he would like to change his vote on the mining and timber harvesting laws from yes to no.

#### JUNK YARD PERMIT

Board acknowledged receipt of Renewal Permit application from R. Bates.

Councilman Legg makes a MOTION to approve renewal Junk Yard Permit for Reginald Bates. Seconded by Councilman Coiro.

Ayes-4-

Noes-0-

Absent-1-(Kukle)

#### AMBULANCE

Monthly Report acknowledged.

Board acknowledged letter/donation rec'd from & reply sent to W. Bachrack – see attached.

Board acknowledged receipt of letter from Dept. of State no funding availability for Countywide Ambulance System.

Discussion regarding Ipads.

Board thanks Sgt. Haines for the first aid training his officers will be taking.

#### POLICE

Monthly Report acknowledged.

Town of Hunter Police Department

#### Monthly Report

December 2015

Calls for service: 84

Arrests made: 5

Criminal charges levied: 10

Criminal complaints: 9

Non-criminal complaints: 53

Assists to other agencies: 16  
 Uniform traffic tickets: 13  
 Parking tickets: 0  
 Accidents investigated: 3  
 Report requests: 4 = \$40.00

Sgt. Haines states that he received a thank you letter from Saugerties for Hunter PD's assistance with traffic control during the funeral services of a fallen firefighter.

#### ASSESSOR

Monthly Report acknowledged.

#### BUILDING/CODE ENFORCEMENT

Monthly Report acknowledged.

TOWN OF HUNTER

OFFICE OF CODE ENFORCEMENT

#### MONTHLY REPORT OF ACTIVITIES DECEMBER 2015

9 Building Permits Issued  
 1 Building Permit Renewals  
 3 Certificate of Occupancy Searches Performed  
 3 Certificates of Occupancy Issued  
 30 Certificate of Compliance Issued  
 Many Sewer Inspections  
 0 Notice of Violation  
 0 Sign Permits Issued or Renewed  
 0 Demo Permits Issued

- 12/1 Brian Dagget called to cancel an inspection – Chad Benjamin in about sewer hook-up – Certificate of Occupancy Issued #3339 – Email CO to Shane Kappel – Certificate of Compliance Issued #3271 – Building Permit #3377 Issued – Building Permit #3378 Issued – Chad Benjamin called about sewer hook-up – Barbara Lambert in about a sign permit – Bogner DEP called about sewer hook-ups, and to check that I had received as built for the project, No I have not received it – Certificate of Completion Issued #3372 – Inspect #3377 – Charles Seaman in from DEP with as built that I should have already received, Sarah was conferring with him in my absence as I was on a sewer inspection – Certificate of Compliance Issued #3377 – Building Permit #3379 Issued – Bogner DEP called again about as built – Called Steve Schildhorn PE about supports in the garage that John Farrell wants to cut out – Sent email application and picture of sign to the sign committee
- 12/2 Return call to Brian Dagget about inspection of #3376 – Return email to Dave Kule – Szymanski in about #3360 – Issue Building Permit #3380 – Work on November Monthly Report and email to everyone – Return call Rober ? about Hunter Highlands – Donnie Van in with septic clean out slip for sewer hook-up – Research a complaint by a neighbor about a sewage problem – Inspect #3364 – Contractor for #3283 called, back to work
- 12/3 Issue Building Permit #3381 – Inspect #3364, #3378, #3376, #3355, #3349 – Contractor for #3283 called about renewal – Inspect #3378 – Return call to Maul about basement insulation – Inspect #3376, #3358 – Certificate of Completion Issued #3378
- 12/4 CO Search 182.00-1-14 – C&C called about sewer hook-up – Call from Fabiano DEP about Maul, Bove, & Vanucchi -Daryl in about Maul's – Ray Legg in about house in Elka Park – Inspect #3379 – Return call to Doug H about CO, emailed him a copy – Return call Ken Auragama about June Lodge Road – Certificate of Compliance Issued #3379 – Review plans from Sprint for addition to tower, called with concerns – Research Vanucchi sewer hook-up, why is there a septic tank? – Contractor for #3274 called about final electric inspection –
- 12/7 Email from Mary Ellen DEP about Cortina Valley – Email from Chad Benjamin about #3377 – Suh called about sewer hook-up – call from contractor for #3360, ready for inspection – Jerro called about sewer

- hook-up, need all 3 as they share one tank – Return call to Bob Guisman Hunter Highlands – Talk to Steve Schildhorn about Elka Park house – Inspect #3364, #3360, Woolheater, #3353, #3239, #3305>#3320, #3349, #3365 – Return call Bob about Pine Lane, in the Village of Hunter – Return call JOB Construction about #3262
- 12/8 Certificate of Completion Issued #3305 > #3320 (16 in all), mailed copy to Bob Guisman Hunter Highlands – Inspect #3361 – Bank appraiser called about 40 Van Drive – Meet with Steve Schildhorn about house in Elka Park and Town of Hunter Highway Garage – Inspect #3361 – Issue Certificate of Completion #3361 – Inspect #3364, #3354, #3278, #3356, #3200, House in Elka Park, #3326, #3352 - Graef called about new laws – Return call to Leon Greene about house in Elka Park
- 12/9 Review Electric plan for #3364 – Call from contractor for #3363 – Inspect #3363, problem with the depth of the lateral from the road. It's 2 ½ feet higher than the sewer drain in the basement – Inspect #3364, not following electrical plan submitted to this office, ? vent pipe in the ceiling – Send letter by email to owner of #3364 about vent and electrical plan – Contractor for #3360 called for an inspection – Called Larry Vanucchi about a septic tank that he still has, these were supposed to be decommissioned when the sewer was hooked up, he will take care of it in the spring – Bob Guisman called about decks at Hunter Highlands – Frank Groff in about vacant land on North Lake Road – Inspect #3364, #3363, #3376, #3356, #3360 – Return call Ed Thompson about Bove vent – Return unprofessional call from Nick Bove
- 12/10 Brian Daggett #3376 called about an inspection – Call DEP about Passaro problem – Renew Building Permit #3283 – Inspect #3368 – On and off on-line mandatory 3 hour class – CO Search #181.07-3-3.1 – Review Code Books and do paper work – Inspect #3368, #3274, #3376, #3154, #3297, #3356 – Continue with paper work
- 12/11 Certificate of Occupancy Issued #3274 – CO Search 180.00-3-9 – Return call to Bogner DEP about Passaro – On and off, continue with mandated class on line – Continue with paper work
- 12/14 Call from Kevin Thompson about sewer hook-up – Inspect #3373 – Call from Daggett, contractor for #3376, ready for an inspection – Inspect #3373, #3376, #3355 – Stop @ Daryl's to update him on Passaro situation –Return call to Mellisa @ LaVoie about insurance issue – Call Dagget about #3376, needs more re-rod – Frank Young, owner of #3376 in - Inspect #3373, #3352, #3350, #3345, #3364 insulation is not what is called for on energy plan – 16 June Lodge called to complain about neighboring property – Called Nick Bove about insulation deficiency, he was not happy.
- 12/15 Email from Bogner DEP about Passaro – Inspect #3380 – Peter Omahoney in about #166.00-1-1.1 – Inspect #3380 again - Research for letter to DEP about Passaro – Inspect #3380, #3349, #3360, #3383, Greene in Elka Park, #3376, #3381
- 12/16 Email from AT&T about #3241 – Issue Certificate of Completion #3241 – Issue Certificate of Completion #3380 – Issue Certificate of Completion #3381 – Compose letter to DEP about Passaro – Issue Certificate of Completion #3368 – Issue Certificate of Completion #3373 – Edwin Benjamin called about his garage – Inspect #3374 – Call Fabiano DEP to update sewer hook-up progress – Inspect #3374, see Jimmy Wiltse @ #3345 and discuss 2 sewer hook-ups, #3364, #3348, #3349, #3374 – Certificate of Compliance Issued #3374
- 12/17 Leave office @6:40 for class in Cairo registration 7:30 Return to office @3:50, punch out and go home. One hour owed.
- 12/18 Message on machine from Bogner DEP about Passaro – Inspect Passaro, stop at Daryl's to update him – Email from Bogner DEP about Passaro – Return call to GDP engineering about tower atop Hunter Mountain – Home owner in with information about a class action law suit about roofing shingles, nothing to do with me – Return call Flora Ramirez about sprint update of tower – Talk to Joe Fabiano DEP about Passaro, Bove, & Maul – Update Daryl on DEP pipe requirements – Respond to email forwarded to me from Susan about Directv – Inspect #3363 – Issue Certificate of Compliance for #3363

- 12/21 Call from #3349 contractor for an inspection – Jimmy Wiltse flagged me down, will be doing Maul Sewer connection today – Inspect #3349, floor being poured – Edwin Benjamin in about #3353 – Kevin Thompson called about sewer hook-up – DeGrezia in for a permit – Contractor for #3360 called about inspection – Issue Building Permit #3382 – Call about private road specifications, returned call left a message – Chad Benjamin in with septic pump out slips – Elizabeth Hommel in about neighbor dispute – Inspect Maul Sewer hook-up, #3352, #3350 – Return call about cabin on Silver Hollow Road
- 12/22 A balmy 60 degrees in the office this morning – Evergreen Construction called for 911 number on Highland Drive – Start to work on 2015 > 2016 transition – Kevin Thompson called about permit for Sewer Connection – Inspect #3364, #3354, #3278 – Email from and to Sprint about permit
- 12/23 Email from Sprint, prepare FedEx pick-up return to Sprint – Kevin Thompson called, doing hook-up today – Inspect #3382 - Work on files – Inspect #3382, #3355, Greene, #3382
- 12/24 Certificate of Compliance Issued #3382 – Work on file updates - Return call to Mike Esle 622-9910 x 11 about no CO, left a message – Supervisor Legg came in and told us to go home (12:00 Noon), Merry Christmas
- 12/28 Email from Fabiano DEP about Maul – Call from #3200 about insulation requirements – Issue Building Permit #3383 – Email and reply Bogner DEP about update of Showers Road sewer hook-ups – Return call to Craig Stegner about Frank’s Way – Inspect #3264. Frank’s Way, #3349
- 12/29 Bogus email from Susan Graham – Keith Van Roy in about building a cabin in the woods – Work on files – Greene in about a building Permit – Issue Building Permit #3384 – Leave @ 2:00
- 12/30 Tony Coiro in about recent hack of our “secure” system – Issue Building Permit #3385 – Back and forth with Mike Esslie about house with no CO – Certificate of Occupancy Issues #2262 – Research Envirolet Composting Toilet and Grey Water System – Work on files
- 12/31 Clean-up desk and files for the coming new year – Call from a logger about new law – Ask Corina for copy of new laws, she will get them to me – Call State Department of Health about composting toilets and grey water system, left a message – Review logging law – Ask Corina about application packet that she will hand out for logging permit – Joel Weinstock in to wish me happy New Year

## PLANNING

Monthly Report acknowledged.

### **Town of Hunter Planning Board Monthly Report JANUARY 2016**

***Meeting: Tuesday January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016 ~7:00PM***

S. Killourhy - Chairman  
M. Czermerys – Deputy Chairman  
S. Friedman- arrived at 7:22pm  
S. Schneider  
J. Michaud-Uhrik - absent  
C. Knopp  
J. Dixon -absent  
D. Galin – alt. - absent  
A. Dale – alt

4 members of the public were present, including Councilman A. Coiro

Meeting called to order at 7:06PM.

Alternate Member: Andrew Dale sworn in for the 2016, 1yr term.

**MOTION by C. Knopp to approve minutes of December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 meeting. Seconded by M. Czermerys. Unanimously carried.**

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR- offered but no one chose to speak.

## NEW BUSINESS:

**1)Altrueter Minor Subdivision Sketch concept:** Elka Park – K. Altrueter presents minor 2- lot subdivision of the 5.02 acre parcel off Elka Park Rd. K. Altrueter states in 2005 the Planning board approved a lot line adjustment with his neighbor J. Parochniak where he added 3.024 acres to his existing 2 acre parcel with his existing home. He explains he now wishes to

subdivide the land into 2 parcels of 2 acres and 3.024 acres. S. Killourhy states this is an UNLISTED action under SEQRA and a Short EAF would need to be completed as part of the application. The Board discusses if they can proceed with a public hearing. The Board agrees it would be pre-mature at this point, requesting a full submit of the application and survey maps for the February meeting and the public hearing would be held at the March meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**2)Cortina Mtn Estates Major Subdivision and Site Plan : Request for 90- day extension of conditional Final Subdivision approval.** The Board acknowledges the receipt of the following: - Ackn rcv'd 3<sup>rd</sup> request for 90 day extension from J. Shaw Esq.

- Ackn rcv'd draft Declaration of Protective Covenants for the Cortina Mountain Homeowners Association.

- Ackn Draft Resolution to approve 90-day extension prepared by S. Killourhy.

It is noted that there is no one present representing Cortina Mtn Estates. The Board reviews the submitted draft of the Declaration of Protective Covenants for the Cortina Mountain Homeowners Association and S. Schneider points out that this is a boiler plate document and not what the Board requested in the last Resolution of October 6, 2015. The Board reviews the prepared draft resolution and discusses. The Board discusses what options of action can be taken, what happens if no action is taken and if the Board can extend for 30 days until the applicant and Town attorney can be contacted. The Board is very concerned that the applicants are not present and unable to answer as to why none of the status requests were met and a document submitted that was not requested. The Board questions what type of precedent the Board would be setting to other applicants that delay the process without showing any progress even when specifically requested. The Board Motions to enter executive session to consult with Town Attorney L. Gardner. The Board returns from executive session after consulting with Attorney Gardner with three options: 1) Take no action and let resolution expire. 2) Deny request for 90 day extension. 3) Grant request for 90 day extension with additional conditions that would be met prior to the next Planning Board meeting, if conditions are not met, resolution terminates.

**MOTION: by S. Schneider to deny request for 90- day extension of conditional subdivision approval.**

**MOTION FAILS for lack of a second.**

**MOTION: by M. Czermerys to grant 90-day extension of conditional subdivision approval with additional conditions to be met by the next meeting and if not met the 90-day conditional extension terminates. (Conditions to be defined in discussion and added to resolution) Seconded by S. Killourhy.**

**Discussion:** The Board discusses the original resolution and the nine (9) items requested and the items requested in the last resolution in October 2015. Two (2) of the original nine (9) have been satisfied. The Board deliberates and finalizes the Resolution for the 90- day extension of the conditional subdivision approval with outlined conditions. (See attached).

**Unanimously carried.**

Meeting adjourns at 9:10PM

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Save the Date: Watershed Summit set for April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016 at the Hunter Elementary School.

*~ The next Planning Board meeting Tuesday February 2nd, 2016 at 7PM~*

**THE HUNTER PLANNING BOARD RESOLUTION  
GRANTING CONDITIONAL 90- DAY EXTENSION FOR CONDITIONAL FINAL APPROVAL TO  
THE CORTINA MOUNTAIN ESTATES SUBDIVISION**

WHEREAS, on January 2, 2015, the Town of Hunter Planning Board (“Planning Board”) passed a resolution granting conditional final approval to a 95 lot subdivision map located on 164.406 acres of land owned by applicant Cortina Mountain Estates LLC (“Cortina Mountain”) (hereinafter “the Subdivision”); and

WHEREAS, the expiration of this conditional approval will expired 180 days from the date granted, on July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015; and

WHEREAS, on May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015 the applicants requested a 90 day extension in accordance with the Town of Hunter Subdivision Law and pursuant to NY Town Law § 276(7)(c) from the July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015 expiry date; and

WHEREAS, on June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 the Planning Board granted the 90 day extension, the conditional final approval will expire on October 5, 2015; and

WHEREAS, on November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009 the Planning Board issued a Negative Declaration on the project; and

WHEREAS, on June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2013 the project received NYCDEP SWPPP design approval; and

WHEREAS, on October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 the applicants requested a second 90 day extension in accordance with the Town of Hunter Subdivision Law and pursuant to NY Town Law § 276(7)(c) from the October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015 expiry date; and

WHEREAS, on October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015 the applicants second request 90 day extension of the conditional final approval was granted and shall have an expiry date of January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016; and

WHEREAS, in the Resolution of October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015 granting the second 90 day extension of conditional final subdivision approval the Planning Board requested that prior to the expiration of the 90 day extension (January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016) proof be provided that the process is moving forward with the application to the NYS DOH for Realty subdivision, draft or status of Homeowners Association/ Offering Plan and status report of Transportation Corporation and Water Works; and

WHEREAS, on December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 the applicant's Attorney J. Shaw requested a third 90 day extension of the conditional final subdivision approval and submitted a draft Declaration of Protective Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions, Easements, Charges and Liens of Cortina Mountain Estates Homeowners' Association. Inc.; and

NOW BE IT RESOLVED, the Town of Hunter Planning Board conditionally grants the request for a third 90 day extension of the conditional final subdivision approval for Cortina Mountain on this day of January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016; and

RESOLVED that (7) seven days prior to the February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016 Planning Board meeting Cortina Mountain shall comply with the following conditions in the paragraphs listed below:

1. Proof of filing the Realty Subdivision application to the NYS Department of Health – Oneonta District Office;
2. Draft of the offering plan / Cortina Mountain Estates Homeowners' Association, Inc.;
3. Application or request to Town Board to present sewer rate charges for the wastewater treatment Transportation Corporation at the February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016 meeting;
4. Present proof of filing application to the NY Public Service Commission for the water rate charges;

RESOLVED if the above mentioned conditions are not met on or before January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016 the 90 day extension of the conditional final subdivision approval will terminate; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, once the above conditions are satisfied, and prior to the expiry date of April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Cortina Mountain Estates shall finalize the offering plan and demonstrate proof of submission to the Attorney General.

**Introduced by: M. Czermerys**

**Seconded by: S. Killourhy**

**Upon the question of the adoption of this Resolution, the following Board members voted "Aye" in favor of the Resolution:**

**Ayes 6 (S. Friedman, C. Knopp, S. Killourhy, S. Schneider, M. Czermerys, A. Dale)**

**The following Board members voted "No" in opposition of the Resolution: 0**

**The following Board members were "Absent": 3 (J. Dixon, J. Michaud-Uhrik, D. Galin)**

Board acknowledges receipt of 2016 draft fee schedule

Councilman Coiro makes a MOTION to accept Planning Board fees as submitted(see attached). Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes-4-

Noes-0-

Absent-1-(Kukle)

JUSTICE COURT

Monthly report –December acknowledged.

PETITION –request received for removal from expanded Hamlet Designated Area (parcel ID 164.00-2-23.1) Supervisor Legg states that this hamlet designation was made to protect the town and future growth and to grant this request would go against why the areas was made a hamlet designation. L. Gardner will contact Jeff Baker and this item is tabled until next month.

Councilman Coiro makes a MOTION to table this until the next regular meeting. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes-4-

Noes-0-

Absent-1-(Kukle)

MOUNTAIN CLOVES SCENIC BYWAY

Board acknowledged receipt of NYSDOT notice: slope failure repairs on 23A/Kaaterskill Clove (April 2016 approx start)

**GREENE COUNTY**

Board acknowledged receipt of resolutions 329-15 authorizing contract GC with GCEMS, Inc., #359-15 approving reimbursement to community colleges, 360-15 authorizing chargeback of election related 361-15 auth. delinquent water, sewer and sidewalk charges to be added to assessment roll, 363-15 town levies, 364-15 authorizing the relevy of unpaid school taxes for year 2015

Board acknowledged receipt of agenda for GC Planning Board 1/20/16 c)Ackn. rec'd request for nominations of senior citizen for award from GC Human Services d)Ackn. rec'd Senior Citizens' Roundtable News

**GRANTS**

Councilman Coiro makes a MOTION to authorize signature on all documents necessary for CDBG. Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes-4-

Noes-0-

Absent-1-(Kukle)

Councilman Coiro makes a MOTION to authorize signature on letter and voucher for Smart Growth grant money request. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes-4-

Noes-0-

Absent-1-(Kukle)

Councilman Coiro makes a MOTION to appoint Dolph Semenza as Fair Housing Rep. for Town eff. 1/1/16. Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes-4-

Noes-0-

Absent-1-(Kukle)

Board acknowledges receipt of request for support letter from Mt. Top Arboretum for 2015 Smart Growth application

Supervisor Legg makes a MOTION to send a letter of support for the Mt. Top Arboretum for 2015 Smart Growth application. Seconded by Councilman Coiro.

Ayes-5-

Noes-0-

Board acknowledges receipt of notice for Grant Implementation Workshops 1/21 – 2:00pm

**CATSKILL WATERSHED CORP.**

Board acknowledged receipt of request for Board of Directors Nominations due before 2/5/16

Board acknowledged receipt of resolutions # 2789 – 2795, 2797 - 2800

**TOWN HALL**

Discussion regarding pellet stove concerns: memo from Town Clerk

J. Farrell states that the malfunction occurred when they switched from grass to wood pellets.

Councilman Legg and J. Farrell to contact someone to look at the pellet stove to make sure that it is in proper working order.

Discussion regarding town-wide pick up. J. Farrell states that the highway department is willing to assist with this, he adds that there will be no construction debris or garbage collected. He adds that they will have to look into tires as they can be an issue.

L. Gardner will approach the County to see if they can get a hazardous material collection at the transfer station in Hunter like they do in Athens.

Discussion regarding a Town Hall message board to inform people of meetings and such.

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to look into the cost and details of a double sided sign. Seconded by Councilman Coiro.

Ayes-5-

Noes-0-

**ANNUAL REPORTS**

Board acknowledges receipt of annual reports from: Town Clerk, Planning, Court, Police, & Historian.

**CONTRACTS**

Councilman Semenza makes a Motion to authorize annual contracts for;Golden Agers; Greene Room Players; Sprouts; Catskill Mt.Fish & Game; Mt. Top Historical Society; and People of Haines Falls. Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes-5-

Noes-0-

**BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS**

Councilman Legg states that he is still looking for someone to build roofs over the air conditioning units and also someone to fix the gutter in the back.

Discussion regarding fixing siding and downed fence at the ambulance building.

**TOWN LAWS**

Councilman Legg states that he wasn't at the December board meeting however he wouldn't have felt comfortable voting yes on the junkyard, mining, scrap and timber harvesting laws. He adds that he is not comfortable with the outcome, feels that not everyone's voice was heard. He feels that an amendment process would allow for everyone's voice to be heard.

Supervisor Legg asks him what the biggest problems with the new laws are, what are the differences between the old laws and the new ones.

Councilman Legg states that people have expressed to him that there wasn't opportunity to communicate thoughts to the Land Use Committee.

Supervisor Legg states that after the Public Hearing that was held at the Mountain Top Library to hear concerns, the Town Board kept the Public Hearing open for two weeks to accept written comments and the only comments received were from DEC and DEP.

Councilman Semenza states that people put their trust in the Town Board and he isn't on this board to hurt anyone or their business. He adds that he doesn't want to legislate people out of business and that he does appreciate all the work that was done.

Margaret Nihan states that she believes it is unproductive to talk about laws in generality that have already been passed and asks what in the law is dangerous to the public.

Councilman Legg states that he is getting a lot of feedback from the public although he himself doesn't have an opinion either way.

S. Killourhy states that the town was tasked with updating antiquated laws which are meant to protect and preserve.

Joe Menzie urges the board to not go backward and asks Councilman Legg for specifics as to what the people approaching him don't like in the laws.

Councilman Legg cites one example of a resident who feels that the laws will not allow him to expand his business.

S. Killourhy feels that if the Town Board moves forward with an amendment process, the public will need to articulate concerns.

Peter Bennett urges the Town Board to not do a start over as they have a good solid start.

Jane Burd adds that the Town Board gave people ample opportunity for people to speak.

Rory France asks the board if they are receptive to amendments.

Supervisor Legg states that the Town Board has been open all along and people should put their comments in writing.

Jeff Fromer states that small businesses help pay the town's bills.

Janine Fiegel feels that businesses are already governed by so many agencies and she would like to have seen someone from the forestry and mechanics business on the Land Use Committee.

#### COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING/ZONING

Supervisor Legg states that interested persons should submit their names to sit on this board, he adds that an ad will run in the paper.

Councilman Coiro makes a MOTION to advertise that the Town Board will be soliciting community members to be part of this process. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes-5-

Noes-0-

#### TIME WARNER/VERIZON

Discussion regarding approaching Time Warner and Verizon about installation of hot spots.

#### BUDGET MODIFICATIONS AND TRANSFERS

Councilman Coiro makes a MOTION to approve the following effective 12/9/15.

1) Budget Jrl to increase DB2770 & DB5112.43 to show revenue & expense for Cranberry Rd. culvert /GCSWCD \$69,645.00

Effective 12/29/15

2) Transfer \$249.16 from DB5110.4 to DB5112.4 to cover abstract

Effective 12/30/15

3) Transfer \$656.00 from A1110.1 to A1355.21 for PR 1/19/15

4) Transf. \$262.40 from A1355.21 to A1355.1 for PR 1/19/15

5) Transf. \$24.16 from A1355.4 to A1355.1 to cover cornerstone phone

6) Transf. \$.12C from A3510.4 to A3510.1 put animal control in good standing

7) Transf. \$.12C from A7510.2 to A7510.1 put historian in good standing

8) Transf. \$287.82 from A1310.11 to A5010.1 highway admin. in good standing

9) Transf. \$189.50 from A1310.11 to A5010.11 highway admin. in good standing

10) Transf. \$1,048.01 from A9010.8 to A9030.8 social security in good standing

11) Transf. \$9,957.29 from A1910.4 to A4540.1 put Amb. P/R in good standing

12) Transf. \$95.95 from A3989.4 to A3310.4 put traffic control in good standing

13) Budg. Jrl to increase A2770 & A3120.2 by \$2,489.98 to show revenue DOJ grant: Police vests

14) Budg. Jrl to increase A2680 & A5010.4 by \$3,312.15 to show revenue & expense insurance recovery

15) Transf. \$1,148.31 from B8010.1 to B8020.1 to correct P/R 20/40

16) Transf. \$803.84 from B8020.1 to B8010.1 to correct P/R 20/40

17) EFFECTIVE 12/31/15 Budget Jrl entry from A1220.4 to A4540.4 to put Ambulance .4 in good standing

18) Budget Jrl entry to transfer \$88. From DA5130.4 to DA5140.4 to cover abstract 13 voucher

19) Budget Jrl entry \$1,595.58 from SL2-909 fund bal to SL2-5182.4 for HFalls lighting expense/good standing



Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes-5-

Noes-0-

CORRESPONDENCE – Board acknowledges the following.

Receipt of minutes from Ashokan Watershed Hazard Mitigation 12/9

Receipt of notice of Public hearing Town of Cairo for proposed zoning map change 2/1/16

Receipt of letter from Smoke Free Action Re: Tobacco Free Zone – Village of Tannersville

Receipt of information package for Annual meeting and training form Assoc. of Towns

Receipt of minutes of 11/16 Coalition of Watershed Towns

Receipt of update from NYCDEP on Showers Rd sewer connections

Receipt of thank you for dinner from Perry & Judy Legg

Councilman Coiro states that he is the Vice Chairman for the Coalition of Watershed Towns and wants to let the public know that they are having discussions regarding how small businesses are being harmed by the overreach of regulations.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to go into Executive Session at 8:24 PM to consult with council .

Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes-5-

Noes-0-

C. Pascucci and L. Hamrah-Poladian excused.

Councilman Kukle makes a MOTION to come out of Executive Session at 9:10 PM. Seconded by Councilman Coiro.

Ayes-5-

Noes-0-

Councilman Kukle makes a MOTION to authorize the Supervisor to authorize his Secretary/Bookkeeper to make whole the bills that are owed to Rodenhausen and Delaware Engineering in regards to the Machne Tashbar project and all monies owed to the parties on the Dale Lane, Machne Tashbar, Williamsburg properties. Seconded by Councilman Coiro.

Ayes-5-

Noes-0-

Councilman Kukle makes a MOTION to authorize the Town Attorney to speak with Mr. Young in terms of consultation on the notice of violation from NYSDEC and the notice of possible litigation from Riverkeeper in regards to landfill and to further authorize the Supervisor to execute a retainer with Young and Sommer. Seconded by Councilman Coiro.

Ayes-5-

Noes-0-

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to adjourn at 9:16 PM. Seconded by Councilman Coiro.

Ayes-5-

Noes-0-

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Corina Pascucci  
Hunter Town Clerk, RMC