

March 13, 2018 – Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Gardiner Town Board was held this date at 7 PM at the Gardiner Town Hall. Supervisor Majestic presided with Councilwoman Walls and Councilmen Dukler & Wiegand were present. Councilman Reynolds was absent. There were approximately 6± audience members.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

March 16 – Community Solar Vegetarian Dinner that was scheduled for March 2 was rescheduled for the 16th from 6 – 8 pm at the Library.

SUMMER RECREATION REGISTRATION

Registration for the 2018 Summer Recreation Program is scheduled for Friday March 30 from 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM and Saturday March 31 from 10:00 AM to Noon. All forms are available on the Town website.

CORRESPONDENCE

Supervisor Majestic has been informed that the Executive Budget includes a bill that she believes is an attack on Home Rule. This bill removes the local Planning Board approval for site plan approval on 5G Cell Towers. Copies of a memo from the Association of Towns opposing this have been given to each Board member. Supervisor Majestic would like a motion in support of the Association of Towns in Opposition of this bill. A motion was made by Councilman Dukler, seconded by Councilman Wiegand and carried, supporting this memo.

ETHICS LAW REVIEW

Board members review sections 13-1 through 13-4 with very little comment. Councilman Wiegand did ask what the timeline was to final approval. He suggested sending it back to the committee for any revisions to make a final draft law. Councilwoman Walls is uncomfortable with doing this. She believes it is the Town Boards' responsibility to create and approve the final draft. Also attorney Paul Kellar will be asked to review and comment on the final law. At the next meeting the Board will review the Standard of Conduct.

2018 GOAL PLANNING

The Town Board members reviewed a chart created by Councilwoman Walls on the 2018 goals of the Town Board discussed last week. Councilwoman Walls commented that the Town is limited on fundraising and more research is needed. Information is also needed as to whether a town can participate in a community foundation.

Supervisor Majestic would like to create a maintenance plan for town structures and set a timeline for repairs for the future, making it an institutional procedure. She would also like to create an Ad-Hoc committee to tailor the needs for a new bookkeeping program. Other discussions included checking with the State Comptroller on internal controls and scheduling training, have committees/boards/commissions create their own mission statements, check into noise law of other towns, address Air BNB law, road safety and apply for grants to do studies.

RESIGNATIONS

A motion was made by Councilman Wiegand, seconded by Councilman Dukler and carried to accept the resignation of transfer station attendant Ethan Ladof to be effective March 31, 2018. A second motion was made by Councilwoman Walls, seconded by Councilman Dukler and carried to accept the resignation of Dog Control Officer Vincent Brognano.

MINUTES

Minutes of January 2, January 9, February 6 and February 13 were approved as written on motion of Supervisor Majestic, seconded by Councilwoman Walls and carried. Councilman Wiegand abstained.

SUPERVISOR MONTHLY REPORT

The Supervisors report for the month of February was approved as presented on motion of Councilman Dukler, seconded by Councilman Wiegand and carried.

CLAIM

Claims were approved for payment on motion of Councilman Wiegand, seconded by Councilman Dukler and carried. They are listed on Abstract # 2 as follows: General Fund voucher #52-103 \$17,042.46; Highway Fund voucher #30-71 \$64, 275.48; Sewer Fund voucher #3-7 \$3,178.30.

BUDGET TRANSFERS

Resolution No. 66 – Budget Transfer in Highway Fund – Offered by Councilman Dukler Resolved, pursuant to Section 122, Town Law, the 2018 Annual Budget, Highway Fund, is hereby amended to provide for the transfer of \$43,787.28 from Acct No. 01.09.9730.685 Installment Loan Debt to Acct No. 01.09.9785.686 Debt Principal Installment Loan. Seconded by Councilman Wiegand and carried.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Jack Habersberger – suggested checking with the Association of Towns on software they would recommend for the bookkeeping system.

Vicky Morgan – Thank you to Councilwoman Walls for her leadership in the drafting of the new Ethics Law.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilman Wiegand, seconded by Councilman Dukler and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle L. Mosher
Town Clerk