

REGULAR MEETING

DECEMBER 19, 2019

Minutes of a Regular Meeting held by the Town of Shawangunk Town Board, County of Ulster, State of New York, at the Town Office Building, 14 Central Avenue, Wallkill, NY on **the 19th day of December, 2019** at 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT were Supervisor John Valk, Councilman Robert Miller, Councilman Adrian DeWitt, Councilman Matthew Watkins and Town Clerk Jane Rascoe. Also present were Police Chief Gerry Marlatt and Officer Mike Britsky.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Emergency exits were announced by Supervisor Valk, followed by a brief moment of silence and the pledge to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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A motion was made by Councilman Amthor and seconded by Councilman DeWitt to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 5, 2019.

VOTE: Councilman Watkins, abstain, Councilman DeWitt, aye, Councilman Miller, aye, Councilman Amthor, aye, Supervisor John Valk, aye.

Public Hearings

A motion was made by Councilman Amthor and seconded by Councilman DeWitt to approve the minutes of the Public Hearings for the DeGroot Drive Drainage District and the Draft Comprehensive Plan held on December 5, 2019.

VOTE: Councilman Watkins, abstain, Councilman DeWitt, aye, Councilman Miller, aye, Councilman Amthor, aye, Supervisor John Valk, aye.

Comprehensive Plan

Supervisor Valk explained that the Public Hearing is still open if anyone in the audience has any questions or comments. He further explained that the Comprehensive Plan is on the Town Website and a hard copy is available for viewing at the Town Clerk's Office. Supervisor Valk advised that comments will be forthcoming from the Ulster County Planning Board and the Town of Shawangunk Planning Board. A motion was made to close the Public Hearing by Councilman Miller and seconded by Councilman DeWitt.

VOTE: Councilman Watkins, aye, Councilman DeWitt, aye, Councilman Miller, aye, Councilman Amthor, aye, Supervisor John Valk, aye.

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter received from the Town of Shawangunk Planning Board on December 10, 2019 regarding a Solar Decommission Bond was discussed under New Business.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

There were no comments or questions from the audience.

REPORT OF TOWN OFFICES

POLICE CHIEF

Chief Marlatt reported the following:

Positive correspondence from a resident was forwarded to the Town Board.

Department running fine.

Waiting for response from NYS DOT Enforcement on getting them out to the Hardenburgh Bridge.

Three recently hired officers have graduated and are on the job. Two of the officers are already on the job in Ulster County and are familiar with the 911 system. They are all working out well.

He will be on vacation from December 29, 2019 to January 5, 2020.

Received a Tool Die Kit and air compressor from the Department of Defense.

Getting prices for AED's for several locations in the town buildings.

Working on scheduling Narcan training, which will be available for the community.

HIGHWAY

Supervisor Valk reported that the cost of the present supplier for the First Aid Kit for the Highway Department has increased and needs to be researched. The cost for the year has reached \$1,200.00.

Mr. Valk will follow up on a new company.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Discussed under Police Chief Report.

WATER & SEWER

Emergency Repair Update

Supervisor Valk reported that under the Emergency Resolution, the Town Board gave him verbal permission to sign the contract. The contract with Witticon, Inc. from Thompson Ridge was reviewed and signed. The approved amount was \$92,150.00. Mr. Valk explained that the parts are on order and the work may start next week. A motion was made by Councilman Miller and seconded by Councilman Watkins authorizing the signing of the contract for the emergency repairs by Supervisor Valk.

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