

**REGULAR MEETING
TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF STEPHENTOWN
JANUARY 15, 2018**

The Regular meeting of the Town Board, Town of Stephentown was called to order by **Lawrence Eckhardt** at **7:15 PM** at the Town Hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

(X) Supervisor Lawrence Eckhardt	(X) Highway Superintendent, Alden Goodermote
(X) Councilman Philip Roder	(X) Assessor, Jennifer Van Deusen
(X) Councilman William Jennings	(X) Deputy Code Enforcer, Owen Cassavaugh
(X) Councilman Gerald Robinson	
(X) Councilman Pam Kueppers	
(X) Town Clerk Stephanie Wagar	

A quorum (X) was () wasn't established.

11 from the Public were present

AUDIT OF CLAIMS:

- Claim #1-18 through #24-18 in the amount of **\$12,687.22** from the **General Account**
- Claim #1-18 through #13-18 in the amount of **\$10,498.29** from the **Highway Account**
- For a **Total of \$23,185.51** were audited and approved by the Town Board.

MOTION BY: JENNINGS	SECONDED BY: ROBINSON
VOTES OF: 5 AYE	0 NAY

Minutes of the **DECEMBER 18, 2017 Regular Meeting** were approved by the Town Board as written.

MOTION BY: RODER	SECONDED BY: JENNINGS
VOTES OF: 4 AYE	0 NAY 1 ABSTAINED (KUEPPERS)

Minutes of the **DECEMBER 27, 2017 Reconciliation Meeting** were approved by the Town Board as written.

MOTION BY: RODER	SECONDED BY: ROBINSON
VOTES OF: 4 AYE	0 NAY 1 ABSTAINED (KUEPPERS)

Minutes of the **JANUARY 1, 2018 Organizational Meeting** were approved by the Town Board as written.

MOTION BY: RODER	SECONDED BY: JENNINGS
VOTES OF: 5 AYE	0 NAY

TOWN CLERKS REPORT: The Town Clerk turned over the sum of **\$569.94** to the Supervisor for the month of **DECEMBER 2017**.

JUSTICE COURT REPORT: The distribution from the office of the State Comptroller, Justice Court Fund to the Town of Stephentown for the month of **NOVEMBER 2017** was **\$2,828.00**.

TRANSFER STATION REPORT: The Transfer Station deposited a total of **\$6,205.00** for the month of **DECEMBER 2017**.

Bags: \$4,602	C&D: \$1,132	Metal: \$33	Tires: \$68
Stickers: \$260	Appl.: \$20	Propane Tanks: \$0	Electronics: \$90

ACCOUNT TOTALS:

GENERAL \$	HIGHWAY \$
GENERAL RESERVE FUND \$	HIGHWAY RESERVE FUND \$
BEACON ESCROW \$ 885.19	BEACON ESCROW FOR PLANT (BOND) \$5,000 & \$70,000.

MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC COMMENT:

Attached review stenographic record for matters regarding the Approval of the January 1, 2018 Organizational Meeting of the Town Board. (This record has become part of the Town Clerk's Official Minutes for public record).

AMENDMENT OF RESOLUTION #3 – 18 MADE ON JANUARY 15TH, 2018 AT THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING, THE TOWN BOARD DESIRES TO AMEND THE RESOLUTION AS FOLLOWS:

THE TOWN BOARD WOULD LIKE TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT THE COMMENTS BEFORE AND AFTER VOTING FOR EACH POSITIONS IS NOT TO CHANGE THE MOTION OF ANY APPOINTMENTS MADE, THAT THEY ARE SIMPLY COMMENTS/OPINIONS MADE BY THE BOARD.

AMENDMENT OF RESOLUTION #4 – 18 MADE ON JANUARY 15TH, 2018 AT THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING, THE TOWN BOARD DESIRES TO AMEND THE RESOLUTION AS FOLLOWS:

RESOLVED: the Town Board has agreed to waive the reading for the list below

POSITION	SALARY	METHOD OF PAYMENT (AMENDED)	
Tax Collector	6,071.00	March 31	Monthly
Deputy Tax Collector	1,038.00	March 31	Monthly

MOTION TO AMEND BY: RODER

SECONDED BY: JENNINGS

VOTES OF: 5 AYE

0 NAY

REPORT FROM THE TOWN BOARD:

P. Roder: Public Workshop Meeting for the Master Planning Committee will be here at the town hall at 7pm next Monday, to hear public comment, we will take these comments and make changes if necessary to hopefully present to the Town Board in May for adoption.

L. Eckhardt: Gerry any word on Broadband?

G. Robinson: Fairpoint is moving Northern Ulster County up to Petersburgh, last conversation is they are moving from their office in Columbia County, should be around \$60/month, grant period is the end of 2018, not sure where they are, finished New Lebanon, should have a better infrastructure.

S. Menhinick: can confirm that someone said by 2019 everyone should be up and running.

D. Burek: saw a guy from Spectrum, what happened to Charter?

P. Dibble: Spectrum bought Charter

L. Eckhardt: Pam any report from the Newly Elected Meeting you attended?

P. Kueppers: first day was very boring, 2nd and 3rd day took a lot away from it.

L. Eckhardt: couple things to report, we received a notice from NYSEG changing at our request putting in LED lights, they are putting together a program to convert these lights.

P. Roder: our conversation a year and a half ago probably helped promote this.

L. Eckhardt: first people to apply. We received an annual report from the Seniors, Historical Society presented a nice Birthday Party for Art Kepp who turned 100. There will be a Meeting here on the 23rd for Celebrate Stephentown.

S. Menhinick: 3rd weekend in August, we have been promoting things already.

L. Eckhardt: August 17th, 18th, and 19th.

Motion: Go into Executive Session 8:30 PM to discuss Highway Employment.

MOTION BY: ECKHARDT

SECONDED BY: JENNINGS

VOTES OF: 5 AYE

0 NAY

Motion: Come out of Executive Session 8:54PM

MOTION BY: ECKHARDT

SECONDED BY: JENNINGS

VOTES OF: 5 AYE

0 NAY

MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 8:54 PM

MOTION BY: JENNINGS

SECONDED BY: KUEPPER

VOTES OF: 5 AYE

0 NAY

****A Workshop Meeting** is held every second Monday of every month at **7:00PM** at the Town Hall.

****The next Regular Meeting** of the Town Board, Town of Stephentown will be held on **Monday, February 19th, 2018** at **7:00 PM** at the Town Hall.

Stephanie M. Wagar

Town Clerk