

The Town of Bethel Board meeting of September 24, 2015 was called to order by the Supervisor Daniel Sturm at the Dr. Duggan Community Center at 7:30 p.m.

Council members present: Vicky Simpson
Lillian Hendrickson
Bernie Cohen
Dawn Ryder

Others Present: Carol Roig – Community Choice Aggregation

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Presentation Community Choice Aggregation

Carol Roig gave a brief overview of the Community Choice Aggregation. She is looking for a letter of support or resolution for her grant application. Motion by Vicky Simpson to include Green Committee information in letter of support, seconded by Dawn Ryder, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Approve contract with Port Jervis Humane Society

Animal Control Officer is requesting a second contract with an area Humane Society due to renovations at the Middletown location. Motion by Lillian Hendrickson to approve the contract with Port Jervis Humane Society, seconded by Bernie Cohen, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Thank-you card from Civic Assoc. Board of Directors

Thank-you card has been received from the Civic Association Board of Directors for the fireworks display. Motion by Vicky Simpson to receive and file thank you card received from Civic Association Board of Directors complimenting the beautiful fireworks, seconded by Lillian Hendrickson, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Resolution to Introduce Local Law #3-2015 and to set public hearing

Mr. Sturm discussed higher costs of health insurance, worker’s compensation, retirement, salt – costs are all up. Also the discussion that additional constables and two (2) police cars, which are eight (8) years old.

Appoint Gerald Sarosy as Constable

A letter of interest was received from Gerald Sarosy to be appointed as constable. Motion by Bernie Cohen to appoint Gerald Sarosy as an auxiliary constable, seconded by Vicky Simpson, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Bid Results for Taconic Trail (removal of vehicles)

Mr. Sturm reported that as of this date a search warrant has not been signed.

On September 9, 2015 sealed bids were publicly open and read at the Town Clerk’s Office for the removal of unregistered vehicles at 52 Taconic Trail, Smallwood, NY as follows:

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| Contry’s | \$45 per vehicle/\$10 a day storage |
| Skelly’s | \$50 per vehicle/\$20 a day storage |
| Prestige | \$95 up to 8500 GVW |
| | \$295 8500 to 26000 GVW |
| | \$395 26000+GVW |
| | \$25 a day storage |

Motion by Lillian Hendrickson to accept Contry's Auto Repair and Catskill Towing, 55 Foss Road, Monticello, NY 12701 bid for removal of unregistered vehicles, seconded by Bernie Cohen, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

2014 Fiscal Stress Status Notification

Notification has been received from the NYS Comptroller's Office regarding the Town of Bethel's 2014 Fiscal Stress Status. Mr. Sturm reported that the notification indicates the Town has a 3.3% fiscal stress score which is very good. Motion by Dawn Ryder to receive and file fiscal Stress Status Notification from the NYS Comptroller's Office, seconded by Vicky Simpson, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Correspondence from Zoning Board of Appeals re: Vacancy

The Zoning Board of Appeals is recommending Victor Kask to fill the unexpired term left vacant due to the resignation of Robert Yakin. Motion by Dawn Ryder to receive, file and appoint Victor Kask to the Town of Bethel Zoning Board of Appeals for a term to expire December, 2017, and request the Town Board to advertise for an alternate position on the Zoning Board of Appeals; seconded by Lillian Hendrickson, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Set 2016 Budget Work session

Motion by Dawn Ryder for the Town of Bethel Town Board Members to meet on September 30, 2015 at 6 p.m. at the Town Hall for a work session to review the 2016 tentative budget, seconded by Vicky Simpson, put to a vote 5-0.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mrs. Ryder moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Hendrickson, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita J. Sheehan, Town Clerk