

**HAGUE TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 10, 2017**

The regular meeting of The Hague Town Board was held on Tuesday, October 10, 2017 at The Hague Community Center with the all members present.

Supervisor Frasier
Martin Fitzgerald II
Ginger Kuenzel

Michael Cherubini
Steve Ramant

Others present: Nancy Young - Deputy Town Clerk, Don Smith - Highway Superintendent

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Supervisor Frasier.

After the Pledge of Allegiance a moment of silence was held for John Smith.

On motion by M. Fitzgerald, seconded by M. Cherubini the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION #107-17 Authorizing the Board to pay all audited bills.

IT IS RESOLVED to pay the following as outlined in Warrant #10-17 for a total of \$139,922.92.

General	\$26,654.94	Sewer	\$7,567.00
Highway	\$19,527.13	Other	\$86.17

Vote:

AYES 5 - Frasier, Fitzgerald, Kuenzel, Cherubini, Ramant

NAYS 0

Carried.

Minutes

On motion made by S. Ramant, seconded by M Cherubini the minutes from the meetings on September 13, and October 5, 2017 were accepted as presented.

Vote:

AYES 5 - Frasier, Fitzgerald, Kuenzel, Cherubini, Ramant

NAYS 0

Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

Wastewater Variance, Theil (73.20-1-5) 15 Seneca Way

G. Kuenzel moved to open the Public Hearing at 6:15 pm., M. Fitzgerald seconded and all approved.

Supervisor Frasier read the Notice of Public Hearing as published in the Post Star on 9/23/17.

Engineer Tony DeFranco reviewed the plans to replace the septic system at 15 Seneca Way.

Variance issues:

1. Leaching device within 100ft. of the lake (79.35ft.) (Pura Flo) Chapter 132 Appendix A
2. Septic and pump tank within 10ft. of the structure
3. Bio-peat pad within 10ft. of side property line

The following people had questions about the project:

Gene Moran – question about future modifications

Nancy Theil – noted there currently are no plans for future modifications

Mary May - had questions about other agency review and local zoning requirements.

Discussion ensued between Mr. DeFranco and the Board concerning the need for additional review of the project. Mr. DeFranco noted that Zoning Administrator Clark informed him there are no requirements for outside agency review and directed him to appear before the Town Board, who act as the local Board of Health.

Hearing no further comments from the public, Supervisor Frasier closed the Public Hearing portion of the meeting at 6:30 pm.

Regular Committee Reports:

- Assessor & Justice: (Fitzgerald/Kuenzel) - nothing
- Building & Grounds/Community Center/Enhancement: (Fitzgerald /Cherubini) – Supervisor Frasier made note that there are a few issues at the Visitor Center needing attention including the venting in the restrooms.
- Finance & Insurance: (Ramant/Cherubini) - nothing
- Highway: (Fitzgerald/Ramant) Superintendent Smith reported the highway crew are getting the roads ready for winter. He, along with several of the crew, recently attended a Salt Summit at the Best Western in Ticonderoga. G. Kuenzel noted that it is time to replace the banners around town.
- Museum & Historian: (Kuenzel/Ramant) – According to G. Kuenzel, two new historical markers will be placed in the Sabbath Day Point area, one reflecting the military and the other more general history. A sub-committee of the Historical Society has been formed to help determine future presentations.
- Personnel: (Cherubini/Kuenzel) An all staff meeting will be scheduled in October to review Workplace Violence Prevention, according to M. Cherubini.
- Planning/Zoning/Storm water: (Kuenzel/Cherubini) There was a discussion concerning parking at the steamer dock, specifically whether time limits should be enforced. No determination at this time. Supervisor Frasier noted the Board met recently with members of the LGPC to review several proposed modifications to the Storm Water Regulations. Work continues on The Comprehensive Plan according to the Supervisor. She will check on the status with Zoning Administrator Clark.

- Recreation & Promotion: (Ramant /Cherubini) S. Ramant has suggested starting the Music in the Park series earlier in the season next year due to weather. He also noted that there will be a Hague Endurance Festival next June. The beach and boat launch have closed after a good season. Thanks to the LGA for their help with funding for the employees at the launch.
- Sewer District 1&2: (Frasier/Kuenzel) Joe McDowell has been busy working on his budget. Board members were encouraged to review the monthly operations report. G. Kuenzel spoke about updating the law, noting that is it a major undertaking.
- Town Park & Beautification: (Ramant/Frasier) S. Ramant attended a meeting concerning the Hemlock problem. He stressed the importance of keeping the problem in the public eye; pamphlets are available. In addition, he informed board members that equipment for salt brining on the roads may be in place in next year, possibly shared with other localities. Cable work continues on Dodd, Decker and Battle Hill Roads.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION #108-17 RESOLUTION SUPPORTING STATEWIDE CONSITUTIONAL AMENDMENT BALLOT PROPOSAL #3 THAT CREATES A LAND ACCOUNT TO ADDRESS SPECIFIC PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY CONCERNS FOR USE BY TOWNS, VILLAGES, AND COUNTIES HAVING NO VIABLE ALTERNATIVE OTHER THAN USING FOREST PRESERVE LAND.

Motion by S. Ramant, second by M. Fitzgerald.

Vote:

AYES: 5 – Frasier, Fitzgerald, Cherubini, Kuenzel, Ramant

NAYS: 0

Carried.

RESOLUTION # 109-17 APPROVING WASTE WATER VARIANCE FOR THEIL, (73.20-1-5) 15 SENECA WAY

Introduced by S. Ramant, second by M. Fitzgerald, with the following conditions:

1. Water shut-off valve be installed
2. System testing after the first month of use and annually
3. Grey water tank be removed
4. A ZBA non-jurisdictional letter be included in the file.

Vote:

AYES: 5 – Frasier, Fitzgerald, Cherubini, Kuenzel, Ramant

NAYS: 0

Carried.

RESOLUTION #110-17 AUTHORIZING SUPERVISOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT FOR NYS ARCHIVES GRANT WRITING

Motion made by S. Ramant and seconded by M. Fitzgerald.

Vote:

AYES: 5 – Frasier, Fitzgerald, Cherubini, Kuenzel, Ramant

NAYS: 0

Carried.

RESOLUTION #111-17 PLANNING BOARD APPOINTMENT

S. Ramant made a motion to appoint Meg Haskell to fill the current Planning Board vacancy, expiring in 2019. G. Kuenzel seconded.

Vote:

AYES: 4 – Frasier, Fitzgerald, Kuenzel, Ramant

NAYS: 0

ABSENTIONS: 1 – Cherubini

Carried.

RESOLUTION #112-17 TOWN CLERK PETTY CASH

G. Kuenzel moved to increase the Town Clerk's petty cash fund from \$50 to \$100. M. Fitzgerald seconded.

Vote:

AYES: 5 – Frasier, Fitzgerald, Cherubini, Kuenzel, Ramant

NAYS: 0

Carried.

SUPERVISORS REPORT & COUNTY REPORTS:

There was a discussion concerning Transfer Station procedures. Supervisor Frasier will continue to work with Casella and is investigating other hauling options.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm. on a motion heard from M. Cherubini and seconded by S. Ramant.

Vote:

AYES: 5– Frasier, Fitzgerald, Cherubini, Kuenzel, Ramant

NAYS: 0

Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy E. Young, Deputy Town Clerk