

HAGUE TOWN BOARD MEETING
May 10, 2016

Members present: Supervisor Frasier G. Kuenzel
 M. Fitzgerald II M. Cherubini
 S. Ramant

A motion made by M. Cherubini, seconded by M. Fitzgerald II to open the meeting at 6:00 pm.
All voting yes. Motion carried.

The Town Board audited the bills.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Moment of Silence: Stan Burdick

Welcome Guests/ Privilege of the floor:

Linda Mury, President of The Hague Volunteer Fire Department made a request on behalf of the Chief that all mailboxes have numbers on both sides to aid in emergency personnel in locating their homes. She also mentioned a successful Mother's Day Brunch; the Open House had eight visitors, only one resident. May 28th will be the Chicken BBQ.

Scott Patchett of Trout House Resort discussed the closing of the launch and that the town has more restrictions than DEC at Rogers Rock. This impacts his spring guests. Both Supervisor Frasier and G. Kuenzel outlined the town's position and guidelines.

Motion by G. Kuenzel, M. Cherubini seconded by to pay the General, Highway, and Sewer Claims.
All voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by G. Kuenzel, seconded by M. Fitzgerald II to accept the minutes of 4/12 & 4/26 2016 as printed. All voting yes. Motion carried.

Regular Committee Report:

1. Assessor & Justice: (Cherubini/Kuenzel) The Grievance Day with the Board of Assessment Review will be May 24, 2016 4pm-8pm.
2. Building & Grounds/Community Center/Enhancement: (Fitzgerald /Frasier) the visitor center will take about three days to complete. G. Kuenzel would like to see regular reports from the solar company. Supervisor Frasier will contact them.
3. Finance & Insurance: (Ramant/Cherubini) Town employees have made their insurance choices.

4. Highway: (Fitzgerald/Ramant) Don Smith was not present. S. Ramant stated that most banners have been fixed, one needs to be replaced. Speed signs will be placed in certain areas around town. The software will record speeds for review by the town. A double flashing beacon will be placed by Island Harbor House.
5. Museum & Historian: (Kuenzel/Ramant) No Report
6. Personnel: (Cherubini/Kuenzel) A part time maintenance person was interviewed. A spreadsheet was provided of information on courses for WWTP training. The employee work hours at the WWTP will change to 7-3 starting on Monday, May 16, 2016.
7. Planning/Zoning/Storm water :(Fitzgerald & Ramant) ZEO Clark stated that the codes for the town and the LGPC on marinas are not consistent. The Planning Board and the ZBA will have a meeting to discuss changing the town code on May 28th. She would like town board members M. Fitzgerald II and S. Ramant there also. S. Ramant mentioned that the LGPC will hold a meeting at the Best Western in Ticonderoga in May.
8. Recreation & Promotion: (Ramant /Cherubini) Signs are done for the Visitor Center for music in the Park
9. G. Kuenzel would the Chamber to provide an events report. Steve has a flyer for a fishing clinic he will post. Dock Doctors have been asked to provide estimates for extending the town docks and the steamer dock to provide 8-9 more spaces. There is grant money available.
10. Sewer District 1&2: (Frasier/Kuenzel) Sewer bills included a report by the Asset Management Committee. G. Kuenzel is looking into grants.
11. Town Park & Beautification: (Kuenzel/Ramant/Cherubini) The LGA grant will partially pay for launch attendants. The safety plan has been updated. Training for lifeguards and attendants will be provided. The new shed will be installed at the launch, it will not be in the parking lot so it will free up two spaces.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **Reduction on parcel 43.5-2-36: Sandman-deBuys. House has been removed 1 EDU to 20% reduction.** Motion made by S. Ramant, seconded by M. Cherubini for the reduction. All voting yes. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

Clean up Day June 10 & 11, 2016. Reminder to call if you need a pick up.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution to increase the Boat Launch fee to \$20.00. M. Fitzgerald question why this should be done. Other towns charge for parking which we do not. Is there a need? S. Ramant stated that the LGA grant provides money towards attendants. Motion made by G. Kuenzel, seconded by M. Cherubini for an increase. G. Kuenzel and M. Cherubini voted yes. M. Fitzgerald II, S. Ramant, and E. Frasier voted no. Motion denied 3-2.

2. Caller ID for phones. G. Kuenzel made a motion to add caller ID to the other phones in the center which will be \$200 per year, seconded by S. Ramant. All voted aye. Motion carried.
3. Cost for Waste Water Treatment Plant courses. M. Cherubini provided a spreadsheet with courses, locations, and cost. The budget does not have the total amount, so some classes can be this year, some will be next year. After much discussion, Supervisor Frasier made a motion to table this item until next meeting so all can review this, seconded by M. Cherubini. All voted aye. Motion carried.
4. Three proposals for entrance sign to Community Center. Supervisor Frasier presented proposals. M. Fitzgerald made a motion to accept the proposal from Willie Grant, G. Kuenzel seconded. All voted aye. Motion carried.
5. Appoint a part time maintenance person. M. Cherubini made a motion to hire Jim Real as a part time maintenance person for the community center starting Monday May 16, 2016, S. Ramant seconded. All voted aye. Motion carried.
6. Discussion on contract with LA Group on Chapter 4 of the comprehensive plan. Tracy would like to have workshops. The cost was higher than expected. E. Frasier wants to know what the board thinks the town would get out of this expense and can it be justified to the residents. Getting grant money would be great but a plan must be in place. M. Fitzgerald made the point that the issues from this survey are the same from years ago. Issues haven't changed. G. Kuenzel suggested we go back and ask for a different proposal. E. Frasier will get back to Tracy about suggestions and how much money to proceed.

Adjournment: Motion made by G. Kuenzel, seconded by S. Ramant at 8:15pm. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Hanna
Acting secretary