

The meeting that was called to order by Supervisor Landi at 7 PM with the pledge to the flag and a moment of silence.

Present were Councilman Hoffman, Councilman Wells, Councilman Queipo and Councilman Nelson. Also present were Highway Superintendent Ed Moore, Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman Blake Jackson, Sawkill Auxiliary President heather Heddleson, Daily Freeman reporter Bill Kemble and Town Attorney Kelly Naughton. Six residents were also present.

Supervisor Landi announced that any questions regarding 850 Route 28 will be referred to our Town Attorney.

A motion by Supervisor Landi and seconded by Councilman Queipo to approve all the February minutes that were reviewed by the Town Board prior to the meeting be accepted. All approved.

Supervisor Landi read the Supervisors Report and Town Clerk Weiss read the Town Clerk's report.

The general bills, highway bills and interfund transfers were reviewed by the Town Board.

Interfund Transfers

None

General and Highway Bills

A motion was made by Councilman Queipo and seconded by Councilman Nelson to pay the following general bills Claim #86 thru #120 totaling \$23,070.28 and highway bills Claim #121 thru #135, totaling \$9,985.55. All approved. (See Minute Book for a breakdown of the actual bills).

Communications

None

Councilman Nelson handed out his thoughts for updating the employee guidebook to include pandemic emergencies. He asked everyone to bring their thoughts to the workshop session.

Councilman Hoffman reported that the New York State burn ban will be in effect from March 15 to May 14. He also read Article 284 – the agreement between the Superintendent of Highways and the Town Board (see attached). Councilman Hoffman made the motion, seconded by Councilman Nelson to accept Article 284. All Approved.

Councilman Wells reported that Code Enforcement Officer Cologero collected \$3,055 (building permits \$3,005 and abstracts \$50). Mr. Cologero is also busy answering complaints from residents and doing the paperwork for an appearance ticket for the owner of the property by the town line. Councilman Wells had also called the Ulster County Public Works Department concerning the work that was being done on Powder Mill Bridge as well as the work being done by the bridge near the Town Hall. Most of the work will be underneath the bridge. If any work will be done on the bridge – the County will have flag people to direct traffic. The delays for the public should be minimal.

Councilman Wells made a motion, seconded by Councilman Hoffman to place an ad in the Daily Freeman advertising for counselors for the summer rec program. All Approved.

Sawkill Auxiliary President Heddleson reported on a flag event fundraiser. They plan to sell flags for \$40 each to place on the field between Armed Forces Day (May 21) and Flag Day (June 14). The Boy Scouts will help with the project. A member of the audience asked if a flag representing the Country of Ukraine be displayed. Town Attorney Naughton no. She will report back to the Town Board after the Auxiliary meeting in March. The Town's Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Saturday, April 9th at 10 AM.

Councilman Queipo reported that the sound system is still waiting for parts. The purchase would be paid from the COVID money that the Town has received from the Federal Government. A resident asked why the Covid money can't be used to help residents who might need money. The Town Attorney and the Board answered that there were certain rules on what that money could be spent on.

Councilman Queipo is still waiting for the Ulster County Sheriff to look at a proposed office site.

Old Business – None.

New Business – Highway Superintendent Ed Moore gave a report on the recently purchased NYCOMCO radios.

Councilman Queipo made the motion, seconded by Councilman Wells to table the resolution of the Town taking over Gray Lane. The Town is waiting for the maintenance bond amount that the Town engineer will recommend. All Approved.

Supervisor Landi reported that John Konior had written a letter of resignation from the Planning Board. The Board had viewed the letter prior to the meeting. Councilman Queipo made the motion, seconded by Councilman Wells to accept Mr. Konior's resignation. Voting yes were Councilmen Hoffman, Nelson, Queipo, and Wells. Supervisor Landi voted no. The motion carried 4-1.

Motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Queipo, seconded by Councilman Wells. All approved. The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Weiss

Town Clerk

HISTORIAN'S CORNER

SPRING 2022

- **CALLING ALL VETERANS!**

Our annual Memorial Day ceremony is scheduled for Monday, May 30 at 10:00 am. We will meet at the monument to honor our veterans. Please join us as we remember those who served our country.

- **GRAVESTONE CLEANING**

Gravestone cleaning will be held on Saturday, June 11th at 10:00 am. There will be no rain date so let's hope for good weather. I'll have cleaning supplies and snacks ready. Since we began this endeavor in 2015 we have cleaned approximately 160 gravestones. Most of the oldest have been cleaned and now we will continue the upkeep of the others. If you have an hour or two to spare come and join us. Take a walk through history and meet many of the people who once called the Town of Kingston home. You'll meet some wonderful volunteers too!

- **REMINDER**

Town Board meetings are held the first Monday of the month at 7:00 pm unless Monday is a holiday then the meeting is Wednesday. Please come and be part of the Town of Kingston family. This is your chance to voice your opinions and gather information. Meet your town officials and learn about important issues. Become part of this community we call home. Your participation is so important to our town. I hope to see you there.