

The Town Board meeting was called to order by Councilman Nelson at 7:03 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and a moment of silence.

Fire exits were pointed out.

Present were Supervisor Landi, Councilman Hoffman, Councilman Nelson, Councilman Queipo, Councilman Wells, Highway Superintendent Sylvester, Historian Heddleson, Building Inspector Cologero, Town Attorney Naughton, Planning Board Deputy Chair Sliva, Legislator Kovacs, Town Clerk Nelson and approximately 11 members of the public.

Councilman Wells made a motion to approve the February 2025 minutes, it was seconded by Councilman Queipo. All approved.

Councilman Nelson read the Supervisor's Report and Town Clerk Nelson read the Town Clerk's report.

A motion was made Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Wells to make 1 transfer and pay general claims #68 through #98 totaling \$19,617.29. All approved. A motion was made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Queipo to make 1 transfer and pay highway claims #99 through #108 totaling \$9,250.37. All approved.

Councilman Wells reported that Inspector Cologero mentioned it had been a light month for permits and abstracts.

Historian Heddleson is doing research on the railroad industry and how Stony Hollow was involved.

Councilman Hoffman mentioned that Jason Kovacs was here to discuss the resolution he put into the county last month. He explained Ulster County will be putting in for a Certificate of Need from the state which authorizes Ulster County to do more to help with ambulance services.

Councilman Hoffman also mentioned the burn ban will go into effect from March 14<sup>th</sup> to May 15<sup>th</sup>, there is no burning allowed in the Town of Kingston during this time.

He also spoke about the inspection that was done by Inspector Cologero, Councilman Nelson and himself along with Ulster County and the property owner of 765 Sawkill Rd. The property was covered with ice and snow so it was only partially approachable, they asked us to work with them until April to get more of the property cleaned up. It has been worked on, there are no more stacks of pallets on the property, they have been turned into piles of firewood which he uses for heating. It was also brought up that he feels there are other specific properties in the Town of Kingston that need to be cleaned up as well and if nothing is done about those, he feels we as a town are singling him out. It was stated by Inspector Cologero that letters will be going out to property owners where there are issues with the maintenance of their property. A resident questioned if the Town has a law about

appearance issues from the street, it was confirmed that that was correct we don't have any specific laws about appearance, but the junk car law, a couple others and numerous safety issues are in effect here.

Councilman Nelson discussed the Comprehensive Plan meeting that took place on February 18, the discussed air b n b's, zoning on Rt 28, gateway to the Catskills and strengths of Kingston. The next meeting will be on March 18<sup>th</sup> from 6-7PM.

The intermunicipal agreement for ambulance service between the Town of Kingston and Town of Ulster was voted on by roll call vote

Supervisor Landi – YES

Councilman Hoffman – YES

Councilman Nelson – YES

Councilman Queipo – YES

Councilman Wells – YES

Approved 5-0

The fee schedule for parkland fees was discussed in length, the fee schedule of \$750.00 per new lot less than 4 acres, \$900.00 for new lot 4 acres or more, \$400.00 per dwelling unit for multifamily unit. Councilman Nelson made a motion to approve this fee schedule, it was seconded by Councilman Hoffman, it was passed with a 4-1 vote.

Linda Queipo mentioned her hope that someone will take over the Memorial Day Remembrance Celebration this year since she will no longer be doing it. She also asked to make sure there was a notice about bears and trash in the newsletter.

John Paul Sliva mentioned he is hoping to install the refurbished Town of Kingston sign on Thursday or Friday, Councilman Nelson offered his help to do so.

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Wells and seconded by Councilman Hoffman. All approved. The meeting was adjourned at 7:44PM

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Nelson, Town Clerk