



TOWN OF AMENIA
TOWN BOARD MEETING
Thursday, February 16, 2017
7:00PM
Amenia Town Hall

Supervisor	Victoria Perotti
Members of the Town Council	Michael DeLango Vicki Doyle P. Damian Gutierrez Gretchen Hitselberger Dawn Marie Klingner
Town Clerk	

Supervisor Perotti moved to open the meeting at 7:00PM. There was a Salute to the Flag, emergency exits were pointed out and Roll Call was taken by the Clerk.

Members present:

Councilman Michael DeLango
Councilwoman Vicki Doyle
Councilman P. Damian Gutierrez
Supervisor Victoria Perotti

Members Absent:

Councilwoman Gretchen Hitselberger

Also present:

Town Clerk Dawn Marie Klingner
Town Attorney Denise Fitzpatrick, Esq.

Public Comment

Mark Doyle commented on the notice the town received from DEC regarding Kent Hollow Mine and inquired if the town will be seeking lead agency. He shared significance to the area and possible negative impacts of the project.

Andy Durbridge commented on three separate issues. He suggested inviting Congressman Faso to visit the community; the quality and functionality of the town's website and in regards to Kent Hollow Mine he thinks the town should seek lead agency.

Tonia Shoumatoff commented favorably in regards to Ian Hollback and his current projects and community support.

Walter Brett commented on the anti-Semitic signage

Michael Chamberlin commented on the proposed Kent Hollow application, supporting the previous comments of the Board seeking lead agency, Amenia land use and zoning

Supervisor's Report, Victoria Perotti, Town Supervisor

Supervisor Perotti announced February is Heart Month and shared hearth healthy tips.

Town Clerk's Report, Dawn Marie Klingner, Town Clerk

Clerk Klingner announced 41% of the Town and County taxes have been collected; Special Districts have been paid in full. Clerk Klingner reminded taxed payers of the tax penalty schedule. Announced the revised meeting schedule of committees. Announced the open paid and volunteer positions currently advertised. Announced she has received the lawn mowing bid specifications from the Supervisor. Presented the vouchers for payments and announced the upcoming Amenia Fire Company Pancake breakfast and Blood Drive. The following actions were taken from the Clerk's report:

V. Perotti motioned, seconded by D. Gutierrez to authorize the town clerk to advertise for lawn mowing bids.

Roll Call: 4 Ayes (DeLango, Doyle, Gutierrez, Perotti)
1 Absent (Hitselberger)

V. Doyle motioned, seconded by V. Perotti to authorize payment of the claims as presented in the amount of \$909,652.35

General Fund A	\$146,526.60
Highway Fund DA0	\$ 22,037.30
Amenia Lighting SL1	\$ 1,703.56
Wassaic Lighting SL2	\$ 589.92
Amenia Water SW0	\$ 6,274.07
Capital Heating Project	\$ 5,230.90
Library	\$ 95,000.00
Amenia Fire	\$272,200.00
Wassaic Fire	<u>\$358,250.00</u>
Total	\$909,562.35

Roll Call: 4 Ayes (DeLango, Doyle, Gutierrez, Perotti)
1 Absent (Hitselberger)

Building Report

Supervisor Perotti read aloud the Building Department monthly report dated February 1, 2017 reporting \$1,245 has been collected in building permit and inspection fees.

Committee Reports: CAC- V. Doyle reported the CAC meet and discussed Kent Hollow Mine, CND dumping, OAL, Clean-up day in April and Ten Mile Water Shed

Town wide Renegades Bus Trip

Michelle Somogyi, Recreation member presented a bus trip open for all town residents and requested authorization to spend the funds for bus transportation. She announced upcoming recreation activities. V. Doyle motioned, seconded by D. Gutierrez to authorize expenditures of \$765 for proposed bus trip.

Roll Call: 4 Ayes (DeLango, Doyle, Gutierrez, Perotti)
1 Absent (Hitselberger)

Recreation Commission Member Term Length Discussion

Attorney Fitzpatrick referred to General Municipal Law section 243 that sets the rule for term limits. The current Recreation Commission has seven members each with a term to expire one on a given year. No additional action was taken.

Ridgecrest Special Permit and Conservation Easement

Attorney Don Cappillino and applicant Ian Hollback were present. Attorney Cappillino addressed the Board with a brief history of the project and inquired if they board wanted to see the land conservancy imposed. As the applicant now has acquired the surrounding properties is this a vision of the town the same. Adjacent properties are in the Transit-Oriented District and with there being a limited number of sites in this area to develop, prior this applicant beginning the process for a land conservancy he would like to confirm with the town. Supervisor Perotti thanked Attorney Cappillino for the presentation. NO action was taken as the board will need to discuss this matter in executive session.

Other Matters

V. Perotti read aloud a resolution amending the road lengths of Glenn Road and May Lane in the town V. Perotti motioned, seconded by D. Gutierrez to accept Resolution #9 of 2017 to Authorize to Amend and Accept Revised Lengths of Maintained Roads Within the Town of Amenia

Roll Call: 4 Ayes (DeLango, Doyle, Gutierrez, Perotti)
1 Absent (Hitselberger)

V. Perotti reference an email received from Wayne Euvrard requesting the town to look in the use of "Jake Brakes". Supervisor Perotti will send this to NYSDOT

Lead Agency Coordination Request has been received from the NYS DEC for Kent Hollow Mine-Proposed Sand and Gravel Mine; letter dated February 10, 2017.

Attorney Everett responded to the board that their next action is to determine if they want to seek lead agency, a benefit being the town will identify environmental issues and coordinate the review, higher consideration for town zoning; a disadvantage being DEC has the mining experts already in place and their focus is the mining portion project.

Members of the audience had the opportunity to be heard.

Discussion ensued when the following motion was made:

D. Gutierrez motioned, seconded by V. Perotti the town reply to the DEC and request lead agency.

Discussion: DeLango discussed the last time a lead agency request was presented; the town opted not to because of the costs and other matters on the board's agenda. Gutierrez pointed out that this is a case by case and not a blanket Roll Call:

- 2 Ayes (Gutierrez, Perotti)
- 1 Nay (DeLango)
- 1 Abstain (Doyle)
- 1 Absent (Hitselberger)

Motion Failed

Executive Session

V. Perotti motioned, seconded by D. Gutierrez to enter into executive session for the purpose of medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or relating to appointment, promotion, demotion, discipline or removal; excusing the town clerk and town attorney and invite Dave Everett, Esq. at 8:28pm

- Roll Call:
- 4 Ayes (DeLango, Doyle, Gutierrez, Perotti)
 - 1 Absent (Hitselberger)

The following was provided from Councilwoman V. Doyle

V. Perotti motioned, seconded by D. Gutierrez to come out of Executive Session at 9:15pm

- Roll Call:
- 4 Ayes (DeLango, Doyle, Gutierrez, Perotti)
 - 1 Absent (Hitselberger)

V. Perotti motioned, seconded by D. Gutierrez to adjourn

- Roll Call:
- 4 Ayes (DeLango, Doyle, Gutierrez, Perotti)
 - 1 Absent (Hitselberger)

Respectfully submitted:

Dawn Marie Klingner

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Town Clerk

The foregoing represents unapproved minutes of the Town of Amenia Town Board from a meeting held on February 16, 2017 and are not to be construed as the final official minutes until so approved.

 Approved as read on (3/16/17) _____ Approved with: deletions, corrections, and additions