



# TOWN OF AMENIA

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**June 3, 2021 – 7:00 P.M.**

The Town of Amenia, Town Board began their meeting at 7:00pm on Thursday, June 3, 2021 at 4988 Route 22, Amenia New York. Supervisor Perotti moved to open the meeting, there was a Salute to the Flag and the emergency exits were pointed out.

Roll Call was taken by the Clerk with the following members present:

Supervisor Victoria Perotti  
Deputy Supervisor Vicki Doyle  
Councilman Damian Gutierrez  
Councilwoman Michele Somogyi

Absent: Councilman James Morris

Also Present: Town Clerk Dawn Marie Klingner

## **Public Comments:**

County Legislator Deidre Houston was present and provided an update on matters before the legislature.

## **Supervisor's Report, Victoria Perotti, Town Supervisor**

Supervisor Perotti presented the following : **Lavelle Road Pump House Upgrade** –followed town engineer recommendation to have assessment done of costs of Water District and current fee schedule with request to municipal accountant RBT for guidance **Altice**-negotiations are in progress **Rebuilding Together Dutchess County** – provides no-cost home repairs and modifications to income-qualified homeowners. The Rebuilding Day program application period is May 1 through September 30, 2021 for the 2022 program. Program applications are on website: [www.rtdutchess.org](http://www.rtdutchess.org) or on the table inside the front door in the Amenia Town Hall. **American Rescue Package**- the Town of Amenia has not received 50% of allocated funding from New York State at this time. **Dutchess Community College ESL**-credit free English as a Second Language classes will start on September 7 and run until December 22, 2021. Please register at Dutchess Community College. **Town of Amenia Covid-19** –The Amenia Town Hall will open for business as usual on June 7 following CDC guidelines which advises that fully vaccinated people do not need to wear masks or be socially distanced, but unvaccinated people must continue to wear masks and be socially distanced. Signing the Visitor Log with contact information is required. Town Board meetings will be held in person. Court in person appearances resumed. The Town Hall will be opened to Recreation activities with Covid-19 protocols. In addition the Recreation Commission, other Boards and committees will be able to meet in-person with Covid-19 protocols. Please follow the CDC guidelines and do whatever makes you feel safe. **Covid-19 vaccine information**-Vaccine information can be found on the Amenia Town Hall front door, Channel 22, and on the website. Sign up on [www.DutchessNY.gov/VaccineInfoForm](http://www.DutchessNY.gov/VaccineInfoForm) or call the Dutchess County Coronavirus Information Line at (845) 486-3555. Select Option 1 to hear the weekly vaccine allocation updates THEN select Option 2 to be connected to the Office of the Aging and be added to the notification list.

For anyone who is homebound vaccine appointments can be made at 845 486-2555 to arrange for a vaccine appointment to be administered at home.

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

Clerk Klingner presented: Total State, County & Local Revenues were \$974.50 with the local share being remitted to the Supervisor in the amount of \$947.00.

Tax collection to-date is \$6,136,942.97 and an additional \$18,616.01 under penalties and an additional \$66 in Notice Fees. Total uncollected remaining \$274,169.24. Collection period has now ended; Final tax collection report for this season will be given at the next meeting.

Minutes of the previous meeting were presented.

Volunteer Application was received from Stacy Mantel to serve on the Enhancement and the Housing Board. The Town Board has requested that she be interviewed for the Housing Board position.

Two applications for Constables were presented and discussed. Chief Constable Chris Klingner was present and addressed the board.

Clerk Klingner read and acknowledged receipt and the circulation of the Building Department Report totaling \$5,914.50 and read aloud the Wastewater Committee Report submitted by WW Chair Jim Wright. Discussion ensued regarding the next steps of developing a wastewater district.

Klingner shared upcoming community events.

As a result of the Clerk's report the following actions were taken:

Motion to accept the minutes of May 20, 2021

Motion made by Gutierrez; Seconded by Doyle

WITHDRAWN Councilwoman Doyle will provide language to be added

Motion to accept the minutes of April 15, 2021 as presented

Motion made by Gutierrez; Seconded by Doyle

Roll Call      4 Ayes (Doyle, Gutierrez, Somogyi, Perotti)      1 Absent (Morris)

Motion to appoint Stacy Mantel to both the Enhancement Committee and the Housing Board

Motion made by Doyle; Seconded by Gutierrez

Withdrawn- discussion regarding interviewing for board positions

Motion to appoint Stacy Mantel to the Enhancement Committee

Motion made by Gutierrez; Seconded by Gutierrez

Roll Call      4 Ayes (Doyle, Gutierrez, Somogyi, Perotti)      1 Absent (Morris)

Motion to appoint Justin Romeu and Marcos Mendoza to the position of Town Constable at a rate of \$15.50/hour

Motion made by Gutierrez; Seconded by Perotti

Roll Call      4 Ayes (Doyle, Gutierrez, Somogyi, Perotti)      1 Absent (Morris)

**Resolutions**

*For Chazen Professional Services Change Order for CDBG Route 44 Sidewalk Extension*

Motion to accept Resolution #34 of 2021 Authorizing Professional Services Change Order No. 1 to the Contract for Engineering Services for the Town of Amenia Route 44 Sidewalk Extension to Beekman Park

Motion made by Doyle; Seconded by Gutierrez

Roll Call 4 Ayes (Doyle, Gutierrez, Somogyi, Perotti) 1 Absent (Morris)

**Other Matters**

Resolution – Resubmission of Grant

Motion to accept Resolution #35 of 2021 Authorizing Resubmission of the Town of Amenia’s Application for the New York State DEC/EFC Wastewater Infrastructure Engineering Planning Grant Program

Motion made by Gutierrez; Seconded by Somogyi

Roll Call 4 Ayes (Doyle, Gutierrez, Morris, Somogyi) 1 Absent (Perotti)

**Town Board Comments**

Doyle asked if there was an update from the insurance agent, as she sent him inquiry- no response as of yet. She spoke of auditorium updates. She will be attending the June 8<sup>th</sup> quarterly meeting with NDP as she has billing questions. Affordable Housing Committee will be meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month. She thanked those who helped clean up Fountain Square in preparation of the Memorial Day Ceremony.

Gutierrez shared that the website is moving along; the new website will include AmeniaDelivery. Somogyi shared upcoming senior events.

Motion to adjourn at 8:37pm

Motion made by Perotti; Seconded by Doyle

Roll Call 4 Ayes (Doyle, Gutierrez, Somogyi, Perotti) 1 Absent (Morris)

Respectfully submitted:

*Dawn Marie Klingner*

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Town Clerk

 Accepted by town board on (6-17-2021)