

Regular Meeting of the Town Board of Putnam, August 13th, 2015

The meeting was opened and began by auditing the bills, the Supervisor's monthly report and the Town Clerk's monthly report. The meeting was started with Councilwoman Cathie Burke leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken with the following members present:

Present: Supervisor John LaPointe  
Councilman Greg Harris  
Councilman Kevin Hart  
Councilwoman Cathie Burke  
Councilwoman Shirley Randall

Others present:

Patricia Wilson (Town Clerk); Mary Jane Dedrick (Deputy Town Clerk); Gary Treadway (Highway Superintendent), Bob Rudt, Cee McKenzie, Charlie Bain, Nancy Wolf Fisher, Chris Navitsky (Lake George Water Keeper), Susan Johnson (Town Justice), Joe Fisher, Joe Zelanis and Leslie Bain.

**Resolution #38**

ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 2015 TOWN BOARD MEETING

On motion of Councilwoman Burke, seconded by Councilman Harris the following resolution was ADOPTED; Ayes 5, Nays 0

**Resolution #39**

ACCEPT THE SUPERVISORS MONTHLY REPORT FOR AUGUST 2015

On motion of Councilman Hart, seconded by Councilwoman Randall the following resolution was ADOPTED; Ayes 5, Nays 0

**Resolution #40**

ACCEPT THE TOWN CLERKS MONTHLY REPORT FOR AUGUST 2015

On motion of Councilwoman Burke, seconded by Councilman Harris the following resolution was ADOPTED; Ayes 5, Nays 0

**Resolution #41**

PAY AUDITED BILLS

On motion of Councilman Hart, seconded by Councilwoman Burke the following resolution was ADOPTED; Ayes 5, Nays 0

RESOLVED that bills be paid on Abstract #8 in the following amounts:

General Account	# 246 - 274	\$ 11,709.59
Highway Account	# 120 -140	\$ 9,002.73
Black Point Sewer District	# 6	\$ 16,982.93
Royal Anchorage Sewer District #1	# 5	\$ 425.00

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Supervisor LaPointe explains that Chattie VanWert has informed him that she is having a Swine and Wine fund raiser at her home on the Lower Road, next Saturday. There will be a pig roast and a wine drinking contest. The cost is \$40 per person or \$75 per couple.

**COURTESY OF THE FLOOR (with a 4 minute time limit)**

Chris Navitsky (Lake George Water Keeper)

Chris is here to follow up with the Board to see if there is consideration for a general view of the MOU. Councilman Harris explained that he would like to set back and see what the state is doing. He is not comfortable with it. Chris was hoping that with everyone joining in, they would have nine more voices to bring to the State with their concerns. Councilman Harris is concerned that it would put a lot of pressure on Highway Superintendent Treadway. Gary has reviewed the resolution and he has no concerns. There will be classes offered and Chris is providing training.

**Resolution #42**

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING OF MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS  
BORDERING LAKE GEORGE REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF ROAD SALT  
FOR WINTER MAINTENANCE AND DE-ICING

On motion of Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilman Hart, the following resolution was adopted by roll call;

Supervisor John LaPointe	AYE
Councilman Greg Harris	AYE
Councilwoman Shirley Randall	AYE
Councilman Kevin Hart	AYE
Councilwoman Cathie Burke	AYE

Chris informs the Board that on September 29<sup>th</sup>, there will be a salt summit meeting at the Sagamore Hotel from 10AM to 4PM. Lunch will be free and all are welcome to attend.

#### Joe Zelanis

Mr. Zelanis gave the Board papers and pictures that he feels the Board should check out. He questioned the amount of interest being paid. He also questions the road work that is being charged to the Sewer District. (See attached) Supervisor LaPointe and the Board will meet with Mr. Zelanis to discuss his concerns.

#### **Planning Board**

*Nancy Wolf Fisher* is questioning the Board about a property which is located on Route 22. This property is<sup>Not</sup> being taxed as a sub-division even though there are individual lots there. Supervisor LaPointe explained that it was a sub-division approved back in 1905, which has maintained that status for 115 years. Cee McKenzie explained "that if this an approved sub-division, no matter when approved, then each of these lots should be assigned a tax number." Supervisor LaPointe will contact the Assessor.

#### **HIGHWAY**

Highway Superintendent Gary Treadway reports that the shoulders are done and the men have started the second cutting.

#### **Resolution #43**

##### **PURCHASE OF NEW EQUIPMENT FOR THE HIGHWAY DEPT.**

On motion of Councilman Hart, seconded by Councilman Harris, the following resolution was ADOPTED; Ayes 5, Nays 0

RESOLVED, that on August 13<sup>th</sup> 2015, Resolution #43 was passed by the Putnam Town Board to proceed with the purchase of a 2016 International Model #7600 6X4 Heavy Duty Tandem Axle, "piggyback off an existing Onondaga County bid #7823 for \$199,895.00.

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution will be sent to Navistar Inc.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

##### **Putnam Volunteer Fire Department**

Supervisor LaPointe reports that himself, Councilman Hart, Councilwoman Randall, Town Justice Susan Johnson, Cee McKenzie and three other members of the Fire Dept. attended a couple of meetings last month to discuss the Fire Company's financial difficulty. Many things were discussed and many suggestions were offered, as well as many items that they need and are mandated. They are constantly pursuing grants.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Budget Workshop

Supervisor LaPointe is working on a 2016 Budget. A budget workshop will be held on September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 4:00PM at the Putnam Town Hall.

On motion of Councilwoman Burke, seconded by Councilman Hart to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:00PM.

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_ Patricia Wilson,  
Town Clerk.

John LaPointe \_\_\_\_\_ Supervisor

Greg Harris \_\_\_\_\_ Councilman

Shirley Randall \_\_\_\_\_ Councilwoman

Cathie Burke \_\_\_\_\_ Councilwoman

Kevin Hart \_\_\_\_\_ Councilman