

Regular Meeting of the Putnam Town Board

MAY 10, 2018
7P.M. PUTNAM TOWN HALL

The meeting opened with the auditing of bills, the Supervisor's monthly report and the Town Clerk's monthly report.

7:00 Meeting called to order

Councilman Darrell Wilson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Members present:	Supervisor	John LaPointe
	Councilman	Darrell Wilson
	Councilman	Kevin Hart
	Councilwoman	Shirley Randall
	Councilman	Greg Harris

Others present: Mary Jane Dedrick (Deputy Town Clerk, P.O. Box 14), Gary Treadway (Highway Superintendent, Treadway Lane), Cee McKenzie (BAR Chair, 526 Gull Bay Road), Bob Rudt (Planning Board, 526 Gull Bay Road), May Drinkwine-Shiell (Resident, 439 County Route 3), Wayne Busby (Planning Board, 11 Charter Brook Ln.), Bonnie Maiolo (Resident, 211 County Route 3), Mike Furdyna (Resident, 3510 Gull Bay Ridge Way), Bob Coulter (Resident, 3512 Gull Bay Ridge Way), Caitlin Johnston (Office for the aging nutrition program, Washington County)

Resolution # 62

Accept the minutes of the April 12, 2018 meeting

On motion of Councilwoman Shirley Randall, seconded by Councilman Greg Harris; all in favor, Resolution unanimously adopted.

Resolution # 63

Accept the Supervisor's report for the month of April 2018

On motion of Councilman Kevin Hart, seconded by Councilman Darrell Wilson; all in favor, Resolution unanimously adopted.

Resolution # 64

Accept the Town Clerk's report for the month of April 2018

On motion of Councilman Greg Harris, seconded by Councilman Darrell Wilson; all in favor, Resolution unanimously adopted.

Resolution # 65

Pay bill as audited

On motion of Councilman Kevin Hart, seconded by Councilman Darrell Wilson; all in favor, Resolution unanimously adopted.

Resolved, the bills on the following are paid as audited.

General Fund	# 114-146	\$20,416.77
Highway Fund	# 54-65	\$41,694.14
Meadow Knoll	# 2	\$1,455.00

Correspondence (7:03)

NONE

Courtesy of the floor (7:04)

Supervisor LaPointe welcomed guest Caitlin Johnston, Meal Site Manager, from Washington County Aging & Disabilities Resource Center. Ms. Johnston introduced herself explaining she is new to the job of meal site manager in Washington County, adding she had been to visit the Putnam Seniors, and put on a luncheon for them. Ms. Johnston's purpose for visiting, she said, was to make people aware her services exist in Washington County. Bonnie Maiolo asked if Caitlin had a schedule of where she would be, Caitlin replied that she didn't have a regular rotation set. She also said she would contact the seniors a month in advance when she plans to return to Putnam.

Wayne Busby spoke next asking when Peterson Road might get some black top. He stated that spring had been rough on the road and it was in disrepair. Mr. Busby felt that pavement would alleviate the washout in problem areas of Peterson Road. Highway Superintendent Gary Treadway replied saying Peterson Road is slated for improvements in the near future, however nothing specific is in the works at this time because of unknown variables in the paving scheduling with an outside company used to pave in Putnam. HS Treadway also stated that only the problem areas would be addressed with the initial improvements. Mr. Busby went on to ask about the decision about the Dock Doctors using the Putnam boat launch for their business. Supervisor LaPointe replied he had spoken with the Dock Doctors. The Dock Doctors were advised that they would only be allowed to launch at the Putnam boat launch if they are servicing a Putnam resident, and they may be asked to provide a work order or contract to confirm their worksite. Mike Furdyna of Gull Bay spoke next asking if there is timeline for Spectrum, and when their service will be available. Supervisor LaPointe stated he didn't know. Councilman Greg Harris joined saying he had a conversation with one of the workers who stated that Spectrum would like to be operational in Putnam within a month's time.

Highway report (7:10)

Highway Superintendent (HS) Gary Treadway reported the new pickup arrived in late April, the roads have been swept with a few will need to be touched up on. The mowing and trimming of the cemeteries, ball parks and fields will begin. The boardwalk is expected to be completed in the coming week. All of the park bathrooms are now open. The new plantings at Cummings Park are seemingly doing well and beginning to bloom. The dredging at Gull Bay boat launch is still pending. Randy Rath (Lake George Association project manager/GIS specialist) visited a few days prior to the meeting and reported to HS Treadway we are still waiting for a permit from the APA. HS Treadway went on to say Mr. Rath and himself looked at a problem area on the road where run off is a problem at the south end of the beach. HS Treadway and Mr. Rath discussed some catch basins and check dams, Mr. Rath will look into ordering what's needed. A general discussion took place about other areas that need attention in that area.

Planning Board report (7:23)

Bob Rudt reported the Planning Board had two public hearings prior to their meeting. The first hearing was Will Becchina who is proposing a single family home with a garage on 4400 Link Way. The Lake George Park Commission (LGPC) has 58 items that need to be resolved before their permit will be issued. Mr. Rudt also reported that with the board members that recused themselves from the Becchina property and absent members, that there were not enough board members to vote. The second hearing was Donald Fuchs on 5 Camps way, who has a plan to replace and improve walkways for access to the house and lakefront. The original plan had an outdoor shower; the shower will be removed from the plan. The plan was approved with the removal of the shower.

There was a proposal from Thomas Kirkpatrick to extend a driveway, it was approved.

Another project, Gerald Jannicelli of 6220 Oliver Way, has proposed to replace an existing single family dwelling with a new structure on the existing footprint.

Brian Bain also submitted a plan proposal for a pole barn located at 434 Liddle-Harris Road. Mr. Bain is waiting the APA (Adirondack Park Agency) approval. His plan was approved with the APA approval.

Another project approved was submitted by Connor Boyd for a walkway and stair improvements, leading to the lake, and landscaping with the replacement of small uncovered deck and retaining wall.

Old business (7:31)

Supervisor LaPointe reported he had contacted the Doc Doctors about using the Putnam Boat Launch for business. He also reported the rabies clinic was well attended with just over 40 rabies vaccinations given out to Putnam residents pets.

White goods pickup is scheduled for July 11th and 12th. Items accepted are washers, dryers, freezers, refrigerators, and stoves. Residents that have an item to be picked up, at no charge, are asked to call the Town Clerk's office to get on the pick-up list. No electronics will be accepted.

New business (7:33)

Councilman Darrell Wilson reported on his research involving property maintenance. He went on to explain the State Statute protected land owners against the degradation of their property value due to neighboring properties that contain excessive debris, outdoor storage, rubbish, solid waste, etc., and allowed them to take action should it be necessary to protect their health rights and property values. Councilman Wilson said he didn't find anything that specifically addressed Putnam's needs. The Town Clerk and Councilman Wilson searched to find what other towns are doing and how they're doing it. Bob Rudt inquired who would enforce it. After some discussion it was determined that the Town is not at that point, it would be determined later in the development stages of the plan.

Old business revisited (7:41)

Councilman Kevin Hart asked what the current situation was with the Champlain Express. Supervisor LaPointe replied he has not had any word from Josh Bagnato however he would put a call into Mr. Bagnato to get an update.

Resolution # 66

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the Putnam Town Board

On motion of Councilwoman Shirley Randall, seconded by Councilman Kevin Hart, all in favor, Resolution unanimously adopted.

Regular meeting of the Putnam Town Board adjourned at 7:44

Next meeting will be June 14, 2018 at 7pm at the Putnam Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,
Darlene Kerr
Putnam Town Clerk

John LaPointe _____ Supervisor

Darrell Wilson _____ Councilman

Kevin Hart _____ Councilman

Shirley Randall _____ Councilwoman

Greg Harris _____ Councilman