

The regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Stamford was held on July 10, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. at the Town of Stamford Municipal Building with the following present:

Supervisor-Michael Triolo
Councilperson-Rudy Stripp
Councilperson-Daniel Deysenroth
Councilperson-Roderick Hillis
Councilperson-David Post
Hwy. Supt. John A. Rice, Jr.

Also present was Liz Page, Linda Stratigos and Velga Kundzins

A MOTION was made by Daniel Deysenroth and seconded by Roderick Hillis to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. ALL AYE votes cast, MOTION carried.

A MOTION was made by Rudy Stripp and seconded by Roderick Hillis to approve the Supervisor's monthly report. ALL AYE votes cast, MOTION carried.

A MOTION was made by David Post and seconded by Rudy Stripp to approve Highway bills abstract no. 7, dated July 10, 2013, claim nos. 90 – 100 in the amount of \$36,566.07. ALL AYE votes cast, MOTION carried.

A MOTION was made by David Post and seconded by Daniel Deysenroth to approve General bills abstract no. 7, dated July 10, 2013, claim nos. 103 – 115 in the amount of \$4,128.29. ALL AYE votes cast, MOTION carried.

Hwy. Supt John Rice gave the following report:

- Have been digging out many culvert pipe ends as the heavy rains have partially filled them with gravel deposits, etc.
- Have graded shoulders on several roads.
- Will be getting roads ready for stone/oiling and paving.
- Started spreading dust oil in front of houses today.
- Ordered a new cross member for the Mack truck in rear to connect front-rear and rear-rear torsion arms.
- Will be helping the Village of Hobart stone and oil village streets next week.
- Been diverting water on mountains to keep shoulders from eroding due to recent storms.

Supv. Triolo informed the board the town insurance company had a Risk Management Specialist review the town buildings and grounds. There are some concerns about the So. Kortright playground equipment. Basketball nets will be replaced. Correspondence will be sent with a review of concerns shortly.

Linda Stratigos and Velga Kundzins, Western Catskills Community Revitalization Council, Inc. were present with an update on previous town rehabilitation grants. The town board was asked if the town would like to apply for a new Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) with a cost of \$3,000. for the Western Catskills to submit the grant. If the grant is declined the first year, the grant will be resubmitted with no charge the second year and \$1,000. will be refunded to the town if the grant is awarded. Four resolutions of support were requested for the Village of Hobart grant applications.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-2013 was introduced by Rudy Stripp and seconded by Daniel Deysenroth:

WHEREAS, the Town of Stamford stands to benefit from the rehabilitation of mixed use commercial and civic buildings in the Village of Hobart

WHEREAS, Western Catskills Community Revitalization Council, Inc., is submitting an application to New York State Empire State Development for the Economic Growth Investment program for the redevelopment of the mixed use commercial property known as the Historic Hobart Inn, located at 645 Main Street in the Village of Hobart.

WHEREAS, the surrounding area contains numerous historical buildings, and it is important that this building be renovated and brought to the standards of NYS Building Code so that it is not lost and so that businesses have viable spaces in which to work.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of the Town of Stamford wholeheartedly supports these efforts of the Western Catskills Community Revitalization Council and the submission of an application for this Economic Growth Investment program.

The foregoing RESOLUTION WAS DULY PUT TO A VOTE WHICH resulted as follows:

AYES: Michael Triolo-Rudy Strip-Roderick Hillis
Daniel Deysenroth- David Post
NOES: NONE

Said RESOLUTION was thereupon declared duly adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 11-2013 was introduced by Rudy Stripp and seconded by Daniel Deysenroth:

WHEREAS, the Town of Stamford stands to benefit from the rehabilitation of mixed use commercial and civic buildings in the Village of Hobart

WHEREAS, Western Catskills Community Revitalization Council, Inc., is submitting an application to New York State Homes and Community Renewal Office of Community Renewal for the NY Main Street Program on behalf of the building owners and businesses in the Main Street business district of the Village of Hobart.

WHEREAS, the area contains numerous historical buildings, it is important that these buildings be renovated and brought to the standards of NYS Building Code so that they are not lost and so that businesses have viable spaces in which to work.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of the Town of Stamford wholeheartedly supports these efforts of the Western Catskills Community Revitalization Council and the submission of an application for this NY Main Street Program.

The foregoing RESOLUTION WAS DULY PUT TO A VOTE WHICH resulted as follows:

AYES: Michael Triolo-Rudy Strip-Roderick Hillis
Daniel Deysenroth- David Post
NOES: NONE

Said RESOLUTION was thereupon declared duly adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-2013 was introduced by Rudy Stripp and seconded by Daniel Deysenroth:

WHEREAS, the Town of Stamford stands to benefit from the rehabilitation of mixed use commercial and civic buildings in the Village of Hobart

WHEREAS, Western Catskills Community Revitalization Council, Inc., is submitting an application to New York State Empire State Development for the Market NY program for the redevelopment of the mixed use commercial property known as the Historic Hobart Inn, located at 645 Main Street in the Village of Hobart.

WHEREAS, the surrounding area contains numerous historical buildings, and it is important that this building be renovated and brought to the standards of NYS Building Code so that it is not lost and so that businesses have viable spaces in which to work.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of the Town of Stamford wholeheartedly supports these efforts of the Western Catskills Community Revitalization Council and the submission of an application for this Market NY program

The foregoing RESOLUTION WAS DULY PUT TO A VOTE WHICH resulted as follows:

AYES: Michael Triolo-Rudy Strip-Roderick Hillis
Daniel Deysenroth- David Post
NOES: NONE

Said RESOLUTION was thereupon declared duly adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 13-2013 was introduced by Rudy Stripp and seconded by Daniel Deysenroth:

WHEREAS, the Town of Stamford stands to benefit from the rehabilitation of mixed use commercial and civic buildings in the Village of Hobart

WHEREAS, Western Catskills Community Revitalization Council, Inc., is submitting an application to New York State Homes and Community Renewal Office of Community Renewal for the Rural Area Revitalization Program on behalf of the building owners and businesses in the Main Street business district of the Village of Hobart.

WHEREAS, the area contains numerous historical buildings; it is important that these buildings be renovated and brought to the standards of NYS Building Code so that they are not lost and so that businesses have viable spaces in which to work.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of the Town of Stamford wholeheartedly supports these efforts of the Western Catskills Community Revitalization Council and the submission of an application for this Rural Area Revitalization Program.

The foregoing RESOLUTION WAS DULY PUT TO A VOTE WHICH resulted as follows:

AYES: Michael Triolo-Rudy Strip-Roderick Hillis
Daniel Deysenroth- David Post
NOES: NONE

Said RESOLUTION was thereupon declared duly adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-2013 was introduced by Rudy Strip and seconded by David Post:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town of Stamford agrees that the Western Catskills Community Revitalization Council, Inc. will write and submit a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) with a cost of \$3,000. If the grant is declined the first year, the grant will be resubmitted with no charge for the second year and \$1,000. will be refunded to the town if the grant is awarded.

The foregoing RESOLUTION WAS DULY PUT TO A VOTE WHICH resulted as follows:

AYES: Michael Triolo-Rudy Strip-Roderick Hillis
Daniel Deysenroth- David Post
NOES: None

Said RESOLUTION was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Supv. Triolo informed the board the Birch refund is a Cornerstone (phone service) refund check.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-2013 was introduced by Roderick Hillis and seconded by Rudy Strip:

RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION #7-2013

WHEREAS, By Resolution #7-2013 the Town of Stamford Town Board approved in the event of a vehicle struck by a town snowplow and the town insurance denies coverage for the damages the Town will pay the insured deductible up to seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750.) provided the vehicle is legally parked and

WHEREAS, the resolution as approved does not adequately convey the intentions of the Town Board,

THEREFORE, the Town of Stamford RESOLUTION NO. 7-2013 is hereby amended as follows:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED: in the event a non town owned vehicle is struck by a town snowplow and the Town's insurance carrier denies coverage the Town will pay the vehicle owner's insurance deductible up to a maximum of seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.) provided the vehicle was legally and correctly parked, snowfall amounts did not exceed five (5) inches, an emergency declaration had not been issued by the County of Delaware or the Town of Stamford, the National Weather Service had not issued a blizzard condition warning, the event was not caused by another vehicle and the event was not caused by icy conditions as determined by the Town Highway Superintendent. In no event will the Town pay for damages to vehicles abandoned on Town, County or State Highways or uninsured vehicles. A vehicle is defined as a passenger car or truck.

The foregoing RESOLUTION WAS DULY PUT TO A VOTE WHICH resulted as follows:

AYES: Michael Triolo-Rudy Strip-Roderick Hillis
Daniel Deysenroth- David Post
NOES: None

Said RESOLUTION was thereupon declared duly adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 16-2013 was introduced by David Post and seconded by Roderick Hillis:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLOVED that we give Supv. Triolo the authority to sign the Stormwater Retrofit Program Application Form for Construction or Infrastructure Planning and Assessment Programs for the Hamlet of South Kortright.

The foregoing RESOLUTION WAS DULY PUT TO A VOTE WHICH resulted as follows:

AYES: Michael Triolo-Rudy Strip-Roderick Hillis
Daniel Deysenroth- David Post
NOES: None

Said RESOLUTION was thereupon declared duly adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 17-2013 was introduced by David Post and seconded by Roderick Hillis to accept the following agreement with The Humane Society of Central Delaware County, Inc.:

This agreement, made this 1st day of June 2013 between the Town of Stamford (the "Town") in Delaware County, NY, and The Humane Society of Central Delaware County, Inc. (d/b/a Heart of the Catskills Humane Society) ("HCHS"), in Delhi, NY;

WHEREAS, the Town occasionally has stray or lost dogs that are picked up by its employees;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the consideration hereinafter recited, the parties agree as follows:

1. The Town assumes all responsibility for the handling and turning over of any dog to HCHS and agrees to hold harmless and defend HCHS from any and all claims in connection with the picking up and turning over of said animals, and euthanizing of any such animal turned over to HCHS by the Town.
2. In the case where the Town has a holding facility for the handling of stray dogs, the Town will hold such animals for five days before turning over such animals to HCHS on the sixth day.

3. The Town agrees to pay HCHS a fee of forty dollars (\$40.00) for each dog turned over to HCHS by the Town, its agents or employees.
4. If the Town is not a township in Delaware County, the Town shall also pay an annual contract fee of \$250.00 to HCHS, due upon signing of this agreement.
5. For court ordered holds, or for any animal brought to HCHS in connection with allegations of animal cruelty, the Town will be charged a boarding fee of \$10. per day for each animal (dog) for the period of time of the hold or, in the case of an animal cruelty case, the period of time before the prosecuting authority notifies HCHS in writing that it does not require the animal to be held in connection with its prosecution, payable by the Town upon receipt of billing from HCHS.
6. HCHS assumes all responsibility for collecting fees from any person who redeems any animal that has been turned over to HCHS by the Town. HCHS assumes all responsibility for collecting impoundment fees from any person who redeems an animal that has been turned over to HCHS by the Town. HCHS will keep all impoundment fees as part of HCHS's \$40.00 fee (as set forth in paragraph 3 above) and will bill the remainder of that fee to the Town, which fee shall be payable upon receipt of billing from HCHS.
7. The Town shall deliver the animals to HCHS by the Dog Control Officer of the Town, or a duly designated agent or employee of the Town. The Dog Control Officer shall keep a record of all such animals left with HCHS.
8. The Town understands that fees of HCHS are subject to change. HCHS will notify the Town thirty (30) days before any change is to take effect.
9. HCHS agrees to bill the Town for stray animals brought to the helter by the Dog Control Officer.
10. HCHS agrees to accept, upon payment of the fees mentioned above, any animal brought to it by the Town and to take good care of each such animal as is HCHS's usual practice.
11. Following the expiration of the redemption period as outlined in Article 7 of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law ("Article 7"), Section 117 (4) & (6), ownership of seized dogs will be transferred to HCHS pursuant to Article 7, Section 117 (7) for the purpose of placing them in adoptive homes, transferring them to the State University of New York, foster care or another approved shelter, or for any other lawful purpose as provided in Article 7, Section 117 (7-a).
12. This agreement may be cancelled upon review of same by the governing body of either party. Each party agrees to give other party thirty (30) days' written notice of cancellation.

The foregoing RESOLUTION WAS DULY PUT TO A VOTE WHICH resulted as follows:

AYES: Michael Triolo-Rudy Strip-Roderick Hillis
Daniel Deysenroth- David Post
NOES: None

Said RESOLUTION was thereupon declared duly adopted.

The Highway crew's healthcare plan was briefly discussed and will be further reviewed.

The repair of a stone wall in the Wetmore Cemetery was discussed. A 10 ft. section is in need of repair due to tree growth through the stone wall. Councilperson Daniel Deysenroth received a proposal from Quarino Stonescaping to repair the stone wall.

RESOLUTION NO. 18-2013 was introduced by Rudy Stripp and seconded by Roderick Hillis:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that we approve a proposal from Quarino Stonescaping for the reconstruction of the 10 ft. long x 3 ft. high x 2 ft. wide freestanding wall at the Wetmore Cemetery in the amount of \$1,350. The Town is responsible for digging out the stump in the stone wall.

The foregoing RESOLUTION WAS DULY PUT TO A VOTE WHICH resulted as follows:

AYES: Michael Triolo-Rudy Strip-Roderick Hillis
Daniel Deysenroth- David Post
NOES: None

Said RESOLUTION was thereupon declared duly adopted.

A MOTION was made by Michael Triolo and seconded by Daniel Deysenroth to adjourn this meeting at 8:28 P.M. The next regular meeting will be held on Aug. 13, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Municipal Building, 101 Maple Ave., Hobart, New York.

WE, the undersigned members of the Town Board of the Town of Stamford, Delaware County, New York, do hereby certify that we have examined the minutes of the previous meeting and found them to be correct and accurate as recorded.

Supervisor_____

Councilperson_____

Councilperson_____

Councilperson_____

Councilperson_____

Attest_____

Town Clerk