

Town of Denning – Town Business Meeting

Held on Tuesday, January 8th, 2013 at the Denning Town Hall.

Called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Supervisor Bruning

Minute book signed prior to the opening of the meeting.

The Town Clerk presented to the Board a copy of Resolution No. 23 and 24 of 2013 and the Supervisor presents the Budget vs. Actual thru December.

Present: Supervisor Bruning

Councilmen: Mike Dean, Paul Schoonmaker, Kevin Smith,
and David Brooks

Also present: Highway Superintendent Dan Van Saders

Highway Vouchers presented (see Warrant # 1, voucher (#1-7))

Motion to approve and pay highway fund vouchers by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Dave Brooks, All in favor. Motion carried by a unanimous 4 to 0 Roll Call vote.

The warrant is in the amount of \$65,613.90.

Highway Vouchers presented (see Warrant # 1A, voucher (#1-14))

Motion to approve and pay highway fund vouchers by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Kevin Smith, All in favor. Motion carried by a unanimous 4 to 0 Roll Call vote.

The warrant is in the amount of \$61,779.62.

General Vouchers presented, (see Warrant # 1, voucher (#1-10))

Review of the voucher submitted by the Town Clerk by the Supervisor for reimbursement of mailing and schooling expenditures.

Supervisor Bruning informs the Board that he has received the bill from Baker Brothers/Kingston Equipment. He explains the payment shares to the Board; FEMA, DEP and grant

Motion to approve and pay general fund vouchers by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, 2nd by Councilman Kevin Smith, All in favor. Motion carried by a unanimous 4 to 0 Roll Call vote.

The warrant is in the amount of \$26,633.30.

General Vouchers presented, (see Warrant # 1A, voucher (#1-27))

Motion to approve and pay general fund vouchers by Councilman Kevin Smith, 2nd by Dave Brooks, All in favor. Motion carried by a unanimous 4 to 0 Roll Call vote.

The warrant is in the amount of \$21,044.37.

Resolution No. 23 of 2013

WHEREAS Highway Law §285-a permits the transfer of surplus monies, contingent appropriations and unexpended balances, and

WHEREAS the Town of Denning Highway Department incurred unexpected and unbudgeted expenses repairing storm damage, and

WHEREAS the Town has not received payment from FEMA for Said work, and

WHEREAS Highway funds have been exhausted, and

WHEREAS there is an outstanding expenses that must be paid before the 2013 taxes are collected, the Town of Denning Town Board

HEREBY authorizes the Town Supervisor to process a loan of \$100,000.00 from the General Fund Cash Balance to the Highway Fund to enable the Town to pay outstanding Highway bills.

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Kevin Smith.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE
Councilman David Brooks	AYE
Supervisor Bruning	AYE

Motion carried following a unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 24 OF 2013

A RESOLUTION MAKING NEGATIVE DECLARATION UNDER SEQR FOLLOWING COORDINATED REVIEW OF THE STREAM MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District (“SCSWCD”) and NYCDEP-Stream Management Program (“NYCDEP-SMP”) have worked with watershed stakeholders in the Neversink watershed to study and assess the current and predicted conditions of the Neversink River stream; and

WHEREAS, the SCSWCD and NYCDEP-SMP have used the data and information collected during their investigations of the Neversink River stream to develop a comprehensive Stream Management Plan for the stream; and

WHEREAS, the Neversink River Stream Management Plan addresses many of the concerns shared by SCSWCD, NYCDEP, local municipalities and watershed landowners; and

WHEREAS, the Neversink River Stream Management Plan sets forth many recommendations for local, city, state, and federal cooperation to maintain, preserve, restore or otherwise manage the Rondout Creek; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Denning, Ulster County and the Town of Neversink, Sullivan County support the Stream Management Plan and seek to formally adopt said plan as a guidance document for stream related activities; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended, and the adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York (collectively, the “SEQR Act”), a determination as to the potential environmental significance of the Project is required to be made; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Denning, Ulster County and Town of Neversink, Sullivan County have jointly agreed that a single SEQRA review, coordinated by the Town of Denning is an effective way to insure compliance with SEQRA in regards to local adoption of the Neversink River Stream Management Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Denning has determined that the adoption of the Neversink River Stream Management Plan is a Type 1 Action under SEQRA, and the Town seeks to serve as Lead Agency on behalf of the Town of Denning, Ulster County and Town of Neversink, Sullivan County under a coordinated review. The Town has identified the Town of Neversink to be an interested party which may have approval responsibilities associated with the Project.

Councilman Dave Brooks and 2nd duly made the question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution by Councilman Mike Dean put to a roll call, resulting as follows:

		AYE	NAY
PRESENT:			
Supervisor Bill Bruning	Voting	X	
Councilman Mike Dean	Voting	X	
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	Voting	X	
Councilman Kevin Smith	Voting	X	
Councilman Dave Brooks	Voting	X	
Motion carried by a unanimous Roll Call Vote of 5 to 0.			

Supervisor Bruning informs the Board he has met with Dave Bodenstein of Mike Pries Insurance for the policy review.

Brief discussion regarding the updated zoning law; Councilman Dave Books will call Allan Sorenson for a SEQR and an Environmental Review price quote and his (Allen Sorenson's) concerns regarding the proposed law. He (Allen Sorenson's) works with Dan Shuster. As per Supervisor Bruning request Councilman Dave Brooks will keep him informed.

Councilman Paul Schoonmaker asks about the property across the street, stating the owners time has run out to remove the building.
Supervisor Bruning responds yes.

Councilman Dave Brooks asks Supervisor Bruning if has heard anything in regards to the broadband grant?
Supervisor Bruning responds no, he will call Brenda Parks.

Motion to adjourn at 8:29 p.m. by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Dave Brooks, All in favor. Motion carried by a unanimous 4 to 0 Roll Call vote.

Respectfully Submitted by Joy-Ann Monforte, Town Clerk

Town Clerk
January 24th, 2013
Next meeting: Tuesday, February 5th, 2013 at the Denning Town Hall.