

Town of Denning – Town Board Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Supervisor Brooks,
Held on Tuesday, September 1st, 2015 at the Denning Town Hall.

Present: Supervisor David Brooks

Councilmen: Mike Dean, Paul Schoonmaker, Kevin Smith
and Greg Vurckio

Also Present: Highway Superintendent Dan Van Saders

The Town Clerk Minute Book was signed prior to the commencement of the meeting.

The Town Clerk gave the Board members their copy of the agenda, Resolution No. 46 of 2015 and correspondence to the Supervisor.

Pledge of Allegiance

Reading of last month's minutes by Town Clerk Joy Monforte.

Motion to adopt and approve as read by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker. All in favor. Motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote.

Correspondence read by Supervisor Brooks

- Supervisor Brooks thanks YMCA Director Jerry Huncosky for the \$8,500.00 monthly donation from the Frost Valley YMCA.
- The Town portion of Ulster County sales tax for the period between June and August is \$ 7,664.21.
- A letter informing the Town of a proposed merger between TWC and Charter.

Highway Report by Highway Superintendent Dan Van Sader

- New Road Hill / Denning Roads has been completed.
- Erts Brook culvert project is almost completed, needs blacktop and the railing installed.
- Motor paved sections of Red Hill Knolls Road, Round Pond and the hill of Porcupine Road.
- Black topped Van Aken and a section of Balace Road with the generous aid of the Town of Neversink. Highway Superintendent Van Saders thanks the Highway Superintendent and Town Board of the Town of Neversink for their aid.
- Supervisor Brooks also thanks both the Highway Superintendent and Town of Neversink for the Municipal Shared Service.
- Graded Brooks Hill, Whitehouse and Balace Roads and part of Sheeley Road.
- Highway Superintendent Van Saders opens a discussion on the 2008 truck, which is in the shop for repairs. Discussion follows.
- Councilman Gregory Vurckio remarks it should have been sent to Stadium first as they repaired the truck. He asks if the truck is being worked on or sitting and waiting?
- Highway Superintendent Van Saders will call Truck Pro and then depending on the answer, have truck towed to Stadium for repair.
- Highway Superintendent Van Saders informs the Town Board the codes reset themselves every time the truck is turned off.
- Highway Superintendent Van Saders informs the Board that the rental roller was scheduled for pick up return today.
- Highway Superintendent Van Saders is planning on chip sealing the newly paved roads on Thursday.

Planning Board Report- Councilman Mike Dean

- The planning board reviewed the parcel NYCDEP is purchasing.
- Chair Joe Sibiga met with Blue Hill Lodge owner Frank Nicoletti to discuss his plan to change and install lighting. Chairman Sibiga informed the planning board his, Mr. Nicoletti's, plan is better.
- The planning board reviewed the Violence in the Workplace Policy.

Resolution No. 46 of 2015 read by Supervisor Brooks

WHEREAS New York State Town Law §64-3 permits local governments to adopt laws concerning the property, affairs or government of the Town, And

WHEREAS General Municipal Law 3c allows an override to the tax levy limit. And

WHEREAS the Town of Denning Town Board intends to keep its financial obligations.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Denning Town Board **HEREBY** approves Resolution No. 46 of 2015 formally introducing Proposed Local Law No. 1 of 2015, Titled: An Override of the Tax Levy Limits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a Public Hearing be held on Tuesday, September 8th, 2015 prior to the start of the regularly scheduled Town Board Business meeting.

Supervisor Brooks remarks he does not believe he will need it but would like to have it in place just in case.

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, 2nd by Councilman Kevin Smith. Roll Call Vote:

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE	Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE	Councilman Greg Vurckio	AYE
Supervisor David Brooks	AYE		

Motion carried following a unanimous roll call vote.

Supervisor Comments:

- Meeting with NYCDEP and NYSDEC this Thursday, regarding the Blue Hole and the water issue upstream.
- Discussion on the extra hours of work for the Court Clerk dealing with tickets. The Board authorizes the Supervisor to submit a voucher for the extra hours worked.
- Fourteen towns have signed on with the UCRRA, the Supervisor Association asked for a deadline extension as the hard deadline had passed. They agreed and because of that, additional towns signed on.
- Councilman Mike Dean thanks Supervisor Brooks for staying on top of the situation.
- Supervisor Brooks thanks the highway crew for all their moving expertise during the laying of new carpet in the town hall.
- Supervisor Brooks has spoken with Mr. Landon, who will complete the proposed zoning map at the YMCA with the aid of the new natural resource director. He informs Councilman Smith the zoning committee will have to meet 1 last time for a full review. The Town Board will then schedule a public hearing.

- The zoning map will then be sent to Ulster County Planning Board for review.
- Supervisor Brooks requests 2016 budget numbers from Highway Superintendent Van Saders.
- Meeting the health insurance carrier on Friday for cost numbers.

Councilman Comments:

- Councilman Gregory Vurckio tells Highway Superintendent Van Saders the rock work at New Hill / Denning Roads looks good.
- Highway Superintendent Van Saders replies the rock from Schaefer Enterprises works very well.
- Discussion on types of culverts; Highway Superintendent Van Saders believes the culverts with an open bottom work best.
- Councilman Gregory Vurckio called Ulster County Board of Elections regarding the nominations received from the Reform Party; he gives the background of the nomination.
- Councilman Paul Schoonmaker inquires if there has been any news as to the post office location? Supervisor Brooks responds the project has been turned over to the contract department.
- Brief discussion of the willow to be planted at Denning/New Hill Road project.
- Councilman Mike Dean informs the Board that he and Highway Superintendent Van Saders will start the process of updating the handbook.
- Highway Superintendent Van Saders requests the Town Clerk send him the policies adopted by the Town Board since the handbook had been adopted.
- Councilman Mike Dean has a copy of a union agreement from a neighboring town to aid the process.
- Councilman Mike Dean thanks Helen and George Elias for their efforts in researching the history of Red Hill.

Public Comments:

- George Elias remarks the he, Helen Elias, Carl Landon and Susan Smith were able to trace some parcels back to Mr. Denning.
- Mr. Elias also states they got an agricultural census.
- Mr. Elias states that Mrs. Gladys Van Wagner has good photos from the area. Not only did her mother have a camera but also she was very good with it and in the development of the photos.
- He comments that she, Gladys, has shots of the Bisso place.
- Mr. Elias further remarks that Denning Day at the museum was and is always very well attended.
- General history discussion follows.

Supervisor Brooks asks for any further comments? There is none.
 Motion to adjourn the Meeting at 7:48 pm by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Gregory Vurckio, All in favor. Motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote.

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Monforte, Town Clerk, Sept. 2nd, 2015.

Next meeting will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 8th, 2015 at the Denning Town Hall at 7 pm.

Town of Denning – Business Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Supervisor Brooks.
Held on Tuesday, September 8th, 2015 at the Denning Town Hall.

Present: Supervisor Brooks
Councilmen: Mike Dean, Paul Schoonmaker, Gregory Vurckio
and Councilman Kevin Smith
Highway Superintendent Dan Van Sadlers.

The Town Clerk gave the Board members their copy of the agenda;
Resolution No. 47-50 of 2015
The Supervisor presented the Budget vs. Actual thru August 2015.

The Town Clerk Minute Book was signed prior to the commencement
of the meeting.

Motion to open the public hearing for Local Law No. 1 of 2015 titled:
Tax Cap Override by Councilman Kevin Smith, 2nd by Councilman Mike
Dean. All in favor. Motion carried following a unanimous vote.

- Supervisor Brooks calls for discussion.
- Supervisor Brooks calls for public comment, there is none.

Motion to adjourn the public hearing and open the Business meeting
by Councilman Gregory Vurckio, 2nd by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker.
All in favor. Motion carried following a unanimous vote.

Highway Vouchers presented (see Warrant # 9PP, voucher (#28-30)
CDPHP DA9060.8 \$4,357.43
Trust & Agency Acct. DA9030.8 \$811.65, \$938.62
Motion to approve and pay highway fund vouchers by Councilman Mike
Dean, 2nd by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker. All in favor. Motion
carried by a unanimous 5 to 0 Roll Call vote.

Highway Vouchers presented (see Warrant # 9, voucher (#164-181)
All American Ford of Kingston LLC A5130.4 \$73.97
Arkel Motors Inc. DA5130.4 \$133.80
Bottini DA5110.4 \$482.17
Callanan Industries, Inc. DA5110.4 \$2,325.87, \$1,984.70, DA8760.4
\$672.52
Fleet Pride DA5130.4 \$42.00
Heritagenergy DA5110.4 \$1,856.96
Liberty Home & Garden DA5110.4 \$314.95
Monticello Black Top Corp. DA5112.2 \$31659.10

- Councilman Gregory Vurckio opens brief discussion on price of
black top, the difference between companies. The black top was
ordered off of the Town of Thompson bid.

Prestige Towing DA5130.4 \$225.00

- Supervisor Brooks inquires as to the status of the 2008 truck?
Highway Superintendent Van Sadlers replies he has spoken with
Truck Pro and parts have been ordered.

Mombaccus Excavating DA5110.4 \$1,121.92
Schaefer Enterprises DA8760.4 \$13,509.00
Sheeley Oil & Excavating DA8760.4 \$4,000.00, DA5120.2 \$4,800.00
Superior Building Supply DA5120.4 \$52.14, DA5110.4 \$37.32
E.Tetz & Sons DA5120.2 \$2,498.8
Vantage Equip. DA5130.4 \$14,877.42
Motion to approve and pay highway fund vouchers by Councilman
Gregory Vurckio, 2nd by Councilman Mike Dean. All in favor. Motion
carried by a unanimous 5 to 0 Roll Call vote.

General Vouchers presented, (see Warrant # 9PP, voucher (#68-75)
Central Hudson A8160.4 \$85.56 A5132.4 \$224.67 A1620.4 \$130.38
A5182.4 \$86.32

CDPHP A9060.8 \$3,944.87

Cornerstone A1110.4 \$55.38, A1620.4 \$83.01, A5132.4 \$82.23

- Supervisor Brooks open a brief discussion on the Cornerstone Telephone bill.

TWC A1670.4 \$64.98, \$64.98

Trust & Agency Account A9030.8 \$151.83, \$709.30

Motion to approve and pay general fund vouchers by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, 2nd by Councilman Gregory Vurckio, All in favor. Motion carried by a unanimous 5 to 0 Roll Call vote.

General Vouchers presented, (see Warrant #9, voucher (#118-131)

Tammy Beck A1110.4 \$27.60, A1110.1 \$669.00

Central Hudson A5180.4 \$95.86

Chemung Supply Corp. A3310.4 \$204.50

Gnome Home, Inc. A1355.4 \$16.00

International Code A3620.4 \$135.00

Carl Landon A1460.4 \$338.33

Looseleaf A3620.4 \$34.00

Donald Magill A1110.2 \$41.50

Joy Monforte A1410.4 \$50.40

Post Master A1110.4 \$563.70

Quill. Com A1620.4 \$5.68, A1410.4 \$87.49, A1110.4 \$43.38

Red Hill Services A1620.4 \$2,461.66

UCRRA A8160.4 \$2372.69

Motion to approve and pay general fund vouchers by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Kevin Smith, All in favor. Motion carried by a unanimous 5 to 0 Roll Call vote.

Resolution No. 47 of 2015

WHEREAS New York State Highway Law §141 permits the transfer of surplus monies between highway fund accounts, and

WHEREAS the Town of Denning has an open grate bridge at Erts Brook in need of replacement and was replaced, and

WHEREAS the Town of Denning will be reimbursed by Sullivan County Soil & Water for this project,

THEREFORE the Town of Denning Town Board **HEREBY** authorizes the Town Supervisor to increase DA440-Due from Other Governments in the amount of \$ 14,912.02 and increase appropriations code DA5120.2 Bridges-Capital Outlay by \$14,912.02.

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Gregory Vurckio. Roll Call Vote:

Councilman Mike Dean AYE Councilman Paul Schoonmaker AYE

Councilman Kevin Smith AYE Councilman Greg Vurckio AYE

Supervisor David Brooks AYE

Motion carried following a unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution No. 48 of 2015

WHEREAS New York State Town Law section 267 authorizes the Town Board to appoint members to the Planning Board, And

WHEREAS New York State Town Law § 64, Subdivision 5 confers specific authority on Town Boards to fill vacancies in Town Offices. And

WHEREAS a vacancy has been created due to a resignation from the Planning Board.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Mr. Travis Coddington is **HEREBY** appointed to fill the vacancy on the Planning Board for the remainder of term expiring 12-31-2017.

Motion TABLED by Supervisor Brooks until next month. The verbal Resignation has been accepted but the written not yet received by the Supervisor.

Resolution No. 49 of 2015

WHEREAS General Municipal Law 3c allows an override to the tax levy limit, and

Whereas, the Town of Denning Town Board has intentions of fulfilling its financial obligations, and

WHEREAS a PUBLIC HEARING was held on Tuesday, September 8th, 2015 regarding Local Law No. 1 of 2015, and

Where any and all interested person(s) where heard,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Town of Denning Town Board **HEREBY** adopts Local Law No. 1 of 2015 titled: Tax Cap Override.

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Kevin Smith, 2nd by Councilman Mike Dean. Roll Call Vote:

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE	Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE	Councilman Greg Vurckio	AYE
Supervisor David Brooks	AYE		

Motion carried following a unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution No. 50 of 2015

WHEREAS New York State Town Law §113 authorizes town boards by resolution to transfer funds and unexpended balances, and

WHEREAS the Town of Denning has been dealing with court matters directly related to issues at the NYSDEC Blue Hole in Sundown, within the Town of Denning, and

WHEREAS the Town Board wishes to compensate the Town of Denning Justice Court Clerk for her many hours of overtime work dealing with SAID paperwork,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Denning Town Board **HEREBY** authorizes the Supervisor to transfer from A1990.4 Contingence Fund to A1110.1 Justice Personal Service the amount of \$669.00 after careful consideration of the hours worked.

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker. Roll Call Vote:

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE	Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE	Councilman Greg Vurckio	AYE

Supervisor David Brooks AYE

Motion carried following a unanimous roll call vote.

Supervisor Comments:

Supervisor David Brooks informs the Town Board of the results of his meeting with the NYSDEC and the NYCDEP last Friday:

- The DEP will take water samples above and below the Blue Hole for water quality testing.
- Court held on Sunday at the Church Hall helped by spreading the word.
- Biggest part is to do away with the picnicking and BBQ on site.
- Both the DEC and DEP will put out posters in target areas.
- Told both agencies he will continue to pester, over the winter.
- No glass bottles should be permitted.
- Parking to be rigorously enforced, continually.
- Spoke with Town of Olive Supervisor Sylvia Rozzelle, NYS Senator Seward was attending their Town Board meeting and she was willing to speak to him to help push thru rules and regulation changes for the Blue Hole. The Town will contact all of its elected officials for aid to push the new rules and regulations thru, as well as asking constituents to contact too.
- Supervisor Brooks comments that he will amend minutes next meeting as he misspoke; the contract with UCRRA is for 5 years.
- Councilman Paul Schoonmaker thanks Supervisor Brooks for his continuous efforts on the Blue Hole.
- Councilman Schoonmaker ask if there is any word on the post office yet?
- Response by Supervisor Brooks no, not yet, they move slowly.

Town Board Comment: See above.

Resident Comments: None

Supervisor Brooks call for further comment, there is none.

Motion to adjourn at 8:04 by Councilman Gregory Vurckio, 2nd by Councilman Mike Dean, All in favor. Motion carried 5 to 0 vote.

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Monforte, Town Clerk 9-9-2015.

Next meeting: Tuesday, October 6th, 2015 at the Sundown Church Hall. Scheduled to begin at 7 pm.