

Town of Denning – Town Board Meeting

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Supervisor Brooks.
Held on Tuesday, May 2nd, 2017 held at the Denning Town Hall.

Present: Supervisor Brooks

Councilmen: Mike Dean, Kevin Smith, Paul Schoonmaker and Gregory Vurckio.

Also present: Highway Superintendent Dan Van Saders

The Town Clerk Minute Book was signed prior to the meetings commencement. The Town Clerk gave the Board members their copy of the agenda and Resolution No. 33 thru 35 of 2017, as well as a 284 Agreement Preliminary Worksheet from Highway Superintendent Van Saders.

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 Gregory Vurckio. All in favor. Motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote.

Correspondence – read by Supervisor Brooks.

- The monthly donation from the Frost Valley YMCA in the amount of \$8,500.00 has been received and is gratefully acknowledged.
- A Certificate of Appreciation from Ulster County Executive Mike Hein, has been given to Town Historian Mr. Thomas McGee in honor of his outstanding efforts on behalf of the Town.
- Supervisor Brooks remarks he has done an excellent job and is very involved.

Highway Report by Highway Superintendent Dan Van Saders

- Have started sweeping, all of the roads have been done once, some will be done a second time.
- Municipal Shared Services with the Town of Neversink. The hydraulic motor broke, the part has been ordered and will be back on the road by the end of the week.
- Cold patched Denning Road.
- Turning truck over for summer use.
- Pricing dump body for Rob's truck, will install ourselves.
- Discussion follows, Highway Superintendent Van Saders will get prices.
- Discussion on 284 Agreement: Highway Superintendent Van Saders would like to do work on Rudolph, Red Hill, Kawlija and Round Pond Roads.
- Supervisor Brooks asks Highway Superintendent Van Saders if he would like to put pipes, patches and repairs in the Agreement.
- Highway Superintendent Van Saders replies, no.
- Supervisor Brooks ask if there is any place we can cut back the brush and trees on Rudolph for the sun to aid in drying the road.
- Highway Superintendent Dan Van Saders replies, no, they did that a few years back.
- Discussion follows.
- Highway Superintendent Van Saders opens a discussion on the hiring of a highway crew replacement due to a retirement in September, asking if we should hire prior to the retirement?
- Supervisor Brooks remarks there are budgetary restrictions.
- Highway Superintendent Dan Van Saders reminds the Board there is a six-month probation for any new hire.
- Supervisor Brooks responds there are budgetary concerns with an employment over lap.
- Highway Superintendent Van Saders comments he does not want to interview on the last day.
- Highway Superintendent Van Saders inform the Board he attended a meeting in Kingston with the County to see if the County can meet the FEMA threshold requirements pertaining to costs the blizzard.
- Almost ready for the truck to go the auction.
- Supervisor Brooks asks about the new pick up truck delivery?
- Highway Superintendent Van Saders replies end of June or July.

Supervisor Brooks call for any further Board or public questions or comments.

Supervisor Brooks inquires if he has reviewed the Material Bid acceptance resolution?

- Highway Superintendent Dan Van Sadlers, responds yes, he and the Town Clerk went over the estimates very carefully and everything is satisfactory
- Councilman Schoonmaker asks if there is any information on the damaged plows ?
- Highway Superintendent Van Sadlers, no not yet.

Highway Superintendent Dan Van Sadlers leaves as his portion of the meeting is concluded.

Planning Board Report- Councilman Mike Dean

- No new business before the Board.
- Frank Nicolette has sent a letter informing the planning board he has hired a brew master as a consultant.

Guests: Judge Follender and Court Clerk Beck

- He wants the Board to know the use of a ticket agent is "the idea to reduce overtime for the court clerk and to streamline the process."
- Wants the NYSDEC to contribute money, especially for an officer.
- He does not see a downside to using the agent.
- The court clerk spoke with the business owner and a penalty can be added for late payment to the NYSDEC ticket.
- Supervisor Brooks they want to use all of their own tickets for the required New York State surcharge.
- Councilman Gregory Vurckio remarks to "bad the memo wasn't submitted prior to the meeting for review." "Judge Follender replies, true."
- Judge Follender requests the court clerk explain the ticket process.
- Councilman Vurckio inquires as to the amount of copies per ticket?
- Court Clerk Beck's response three.
- Supervisor Brooks informs all present he is waiting to hear from gov. pay to set up the online fine payment system.
- Supervisor Brooks remarks he has spoken with the firms' owner and has been informed that since the court uses the SCI program he can do the software upload remotely and a webinar for training.
- Judge Follender does a brief review of the contract.
- The Judge suggests binding arbitration for any ticket dispute, he wants the Town to consider hiring a constable to write tickets under the Town of Denning Law.
- Judge Follender decries the lack of law enforcement and back up for the rangers. He states all of the law enforcement agencies have manpower issues.
- Judge Follender says that he understands that the insurance for the Town will go up and opens a discussion on the needs of a court officer.
- Judge Follender asks if everyone is on the same page regarding the court clerks time sheets?
- Supervisor Brooks informs them he needs the time sheets for auditing purposes and to account for retirement credit for hours worked.
- The Judge thanks the Board for their patience with this issue.

Resolution No. 33 of 2017

WHEREAS, the Town of Denning Town Board wishes to express and records its sorrow over the passing of Mr. James Hlinican; and

WHEREAS Jim was a past volunteer on both the Town of Denning Planning Board and The Board of Assessment Review; and

WHEREAS Jim had served his Country in Desert Storm; and

WHEREAS the Town of Denning Town Board is grateful for his volunteerism and his many contributions to the community as well as the friendship and aid he would give to all of his neighbors.

NOW THEREFORE in recognitions of Mr. James Hlinican contributions the Town of Denning, the Town Board **HEREBY** orders the Clerk of the Board to transcribe this resolution in the official record of the Town of Denning and a copy of the resolution to be given to his family.

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Gregory Vurckio,
2nd by Councilman Kevin Smith. Roll Call Vote:
Councilman Mike Dean AYE Councilman Paul Schoonmaker AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith AYE Councilman Gregory Vurckio AYE
Supervisor David Brooks AYE
Motion carried following a unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution No. 34 of 2017

WHEREAS New York State General Municipal Law section 103 requires municipalities to go to bid and accept the lowest bid price, And

WHEREAS following careful consideration by the Town of Denning Highway Superintendent and the Town Board. And

WHEREAS Town Law section § 5-36 E-1 authorizes Town Boards to waive Said bid if it is in the Town's best interest and accept the next lowest bid,

NOW THEREFORE be it RESOLVED The Town of Denning **HEREBY** accepts the following bids:

Ellenville Sand & Gravel: Abrasive Sand (Ton), Low Abrasive Sand (Ton), Screenings (Ton), Sand Snow & Ice Control (Ton) - No Clay, Tailings (Ton).

Bruce Donohue Trucking: #1 & # 2 Stone (Ton) Low Abrasion, # 1 Stone (Ton) Low Abrasion, # 2 Stone (Ton) Low Abrasion, #45 Stone (Ton), Cold Patch (Ton).

Callanan: Delivered from Bridgeville; Screenings (Ton),
FOB: E. Kingston; & Bridgeville: Blacktop Hot Mix Type 6 and Type 7

E. Tetz: Delivered: #1A Stone (Ton) Low Abrasion, Crusher Run Tailgate Spread (Ton), Flat Bed Rip Rap (Ton), Stackable Rock (Ton).

Mombaccus: Quarry Rubble (Ton), Gabions (Ton), #2 Stone (Ton) Low Abrasion, Item #4 (Ton) Ledge Rock, Crusher Run (Ton) Tail Gate Spread, Crusher Run (Ton), Slope Rock (Ton).

WLG - 209 Sand & Gravel: Dumped Rip Rap (Ton), Bank Run (Ton).

Schaefer Enterprises: Stackable Rock (Ton).

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Kevin Smith,
2nd by Councilman Gregory Vurckio. Roll Call Vote:
Councilman Mike Dean AYE Councilman Paul Schoonmaker AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith AYE Councilman Gregory Vurckio AYE
Supervisor David Brooks AYE
Motion carried following a unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution No. 35 of 2017

WHEREAS it is the purpose of civil service in the County of Ulster to provide an orderly and uniform system for the administration of civil service.

WHEREAS these rules apply total positions in the Town of Denning, Ulster County. And

WHEREAS the Denning Town Board has been made aware of a necessary personnel title change for compliance and the Denning Town Board wishes to be in compliance with civil service.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the the following designation of HMEO / Heavy Motor Equipment Operator/ Mechanic for Class A and Class B; be adopted and approved.

Highway Employees: (HMEO / Heavy Motor Equipment Operator/ Mechanic)
Laborer
Starting Salary

HMEO / Mechanic Class B
Starting Salary
HMEO / Mechanic Class A
Starting Salary
Foreman

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 Gregory Vurckio AYE
Supervisor David Brooks AYE
Motion carried following a unanimous roll call vote.

Supervisor Comments: by Supervisor Brooks

- Supervisor Brooks informs the Town Board that COE Karl von Hassel is ill; the Board wishes him a speedy recovery.
- The bid packet for the parking lot is coming together and will go out next week.
- Supervisor Brooks informs the Board of the meeting with the Town of Neversink Supervisor Mr. Chris Matthews and a Spectrum representative for the purpose of bringing broadband to the rest of the Town. They are doing a survey but want twenty houses per mile.
- Met with the stream restoration group for work to be done on the banks of the East Branch.
- Shared Services is coming, no matter what, the governor wants it. A lot of paperwork work to be done mainly, with the highway department.
- Possible meeting with the county executive after the county supervisors meeting in two weeks.
- Supervisor Brooks informs those present the bridge should be done by the middle of next week.
- Supervisor Brooks states he will sign the contract tonight as he has been previously authorized to do, so the Town Clerk may mail tomorrow and requests she notify FBS.

Councilmen Comments:

- Councilman Paul Schoonmaker informs the Board he may miss next months meeting due to his wife's surgery.

Supervisor Brooks calls for Public Comment:

- Russ Betters talks about his neighbors on both sides of him and his concerns with his septic and leach field.

Supervisor Brooks call for any further comments or discussion.
There is none.

Motion to adjourn at 8:48 by Councilman Gregory Vurckio, 2nd by Councilman Kevin Smith, All in favor. Motion carried 4 to 0 vote.

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Monforte, Town Clerk, May 3rd, 2017

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 9th, 2017 at 7 pm at the Denning Town Hall

Town of Denning – Town Business Meeting

Meeting held on Tuesday, May 9th, 2017 at the Denning Town Hall.
Called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor David Brooks.

Present: Supervisor David Brooks
Councilmen: Mike Dean, Gregory Vurckio, Kevin Smith.
Councilman Paul Schoonmaker; Absent due to wife's surgery.
And Highway Superintendent Dan Van Sadars

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

The Town Clerk gave the Board members their copy of the agenda, Resolution No. 36 of 2017 and Budget vs. Actual thru April, 2017.

Pledge of Allegiance

Highway Pre Pay Vouchers presented by Highway Superintendent Van Sadars.
(see Warrant #5PP, voucher #14-15)
MVP Healthcare, Inc. DA9060.8 \$5,764.82
Trust & Agency Account DA9030.8 \$680.43
Motion to approve and pay Highway Pre Paid Vouchers by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Gregory Vurckio. All in favor. All in favor. Motion carried 3 to 0 Roll Call vote, with one absentee.

❖ Court Clerk Beck arrives as the battery back up failure alarm is sounding. She informs the Board there is a problem with the DEC tickets issued and the new vendor, as the tickets are not numbered. She will call Capt. Sherry to discuss. The penalty increments are also discussed Town Board would like to know the Judge's opinion. Clerk Beck is told to move forward with the penalty amounts pending discussion with the Judge and contacting and confirming with Capt. Sherry that the vendors' tickets may be used as long as it is written under New York State law.

Highway Vouchers presented by Highway Superintendent Van Sadars.
(see Warrant #5, voucher #66-86)
Advance Professional DA5130.4 \$92.22
All Gas & Welding supply Co., DA5130.4 \$42.83
Arkel Motors, Inc. DA5130.4 \$44.31
Blue Tarp Financial DA5130.4 \$26.19
Bottini Fuel Corp. DA5110.4 \$346.93
Case Tire Service In., DA5130.4 \$4,225.80
Fleet Pride DA5130.4 \$640.53
Heritagenergy DA5110.4 \$300.48, \$976.37
Home Depot DA5130.4 \$23.28
H. O. Penn Machinery Co. DA5130.4 \$2,259.21
Lapinar Brothers, Inc. DA5130.4 \$445.11
Liberty Trading Post DA5130.4 \$45.40
M&M Auto Group, Inc. DA5130.4 \$31.06
Mombaccus Excavating DA5110.4 \$7,345.13
➤ Discussion on road material for necessary repairs due to blizzard.
ODB DA5130.4 \$501.00
Roche's Garage, Inc. DA5130.4 \$111.95
Schmidt's Wholesale, Inc. DA5110.4 \$719.31
Shakelton Auto & Truck Center DA5130.4 \$94.77
Tractor Supply Credit Plan DA5130.4 \$239.99
➤ Brief discussion on paint from Tractor Supply; availability and quality.
Truck Pro DA5130.4 \$3,652.62
Motion to approve and pay Highway Fund vouchers by Councilman Gregory Vurckio, 2nd by Councilman Mike Dean. All in favor. Motion carried 3 to 0 Roll Call vote, with one absentee.

Discussion opened by Highway Superintendent Van Sadars regarding the 284 Agreement, commenting he hopes to do 4.1 miles of roads. He added part of Round Pond and Denning Roads to the original worksheet. Discussion follows.

The 284 Agreement is signed by the Supervisor, Town Board and Highway Superintendent Van Saders. Town Clerk Monforte will file with Ulster County DPW Commissioner Plonski.

Supervisor Brooks requests, Highway Superintendent Van Saders attend County Highway Superintendent meetings as the Consolidated Services is coming. He would like Highway Superintendent Van Saders to stay abreast of the information and forth coming plans.

Highway Superintendent Van Saders leaves as portion of the meeting has concluded.

General Pre Pay Vouchers presented by Supervisor Brooks.

(see Warrant #5PP, voucher (#30-35)

Central Hudson A1620.4 \$261.31, A5132.4 \$345.13, A8160.4 \$38.59

Cornerstone A1110.4 \$57.86, A1620.4 \$85.96, A5132.4 \$86.51

MVP Health Care Inc. DA9060.8 \$5,209.05

Time Warner Cable A1670.4 \$79.95, \$79.99

Trust & Agency Acct. DA9030.8 \$635.52

Motion to approve and paid General Fund Pre Pay vouchers by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Kevin Smith, All in favor. carried 3 to 0 Roll Call vote, with one absentee.

General Vouchers, presented presented by Supervisor Brooks.

(see Warrant #5, vouchers 73-89)

Tammy Beck A1110.4 \$25.678

Blue Tarp Financial A8160.4 \$400.44

Central Hudson A5182.4 \$101.89

Gnome Home Inc., A1355.4 \$42.00, A1410.4 \$151.00

Hough's Plumbing & Heating A1620.4 \$95.00

Magna5 A1110.4 \$55.60, A1620.4 \$8.364, A5132.4 \$83.66

Joy Monforte T.C. Petty Cash Reimbursement A1410.4 \$25.31

MVP Health Care A9030.8 A190.50

Paraco Gas A5132.4 \$416.07

Quill.Com A1620.4 \$6.99, \$163.41, A1110.2 \$232.84, \$169.99. A1460.4 \$188.57

UCRRA A8160.4 \$2,307.60

Wapner, Koplovitz& Futerfas A1420.4 \$45.00

Carl Landon A1460.4 \$253.75

Motion to approve and pay General Fund vouchers by Councilman Gregory Vurckio, 2nd by Councilman Mike Dean, All in favor. carried 3 to 0 Roll Call vote, with one absentee.

Resolution No. 36 of 2017

WHEREAS NYS Town Highway Law §285-a authorizes the Town Board to transfer funds, and

WHEREAS the Town of Denning was approved for CHIPS funds in the amount of \$130,687.52 for the year 2017, in addition has been awarded Local PAVE-NY funds in the amount of \$29,830.73 and \$24,284.35 for the 2017-2018 Extreme Winter Recovery Appropriation thereby making the total available to the Town for CHIPS funding \$184,802.60.

WHEREAS the Town of Denning has budgeted \$160,522.00 for CHIPS. The Town Board needs to increase the budget line for CHIPS by \$24,280.60.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Denning Town Board **HEREBY** authorizes the Town Supervisor to increase Revenue DA3501 State Aid, Consolidated Highway by \$24,280.60, and to increase DA5112.2 Permanent Improvement by \$24,280.60.

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

Councilman Mike Dean AYE Councilman Paul Schoonmaker ABSENT

Councilman Kevin Smith AYE Councilman Gregory Vurckio AYE

Supervisor David Brooks AYE

Motion carried following a unanimous roll call vote, with one absentee.

Discussion opened on new storage building by the R&R Center by Supervisor Brooks.

- ✓ Supervisor Brooks requests Councilman Gregory Vurckio take lead on the forty by forty building project.
- ✓ All Councilmen participate in a joint discussion follows: size, height, amount of doors, three overhead with a pedestrian door on the side. Discussion on snow sliding off of the roof, concern is damage to the building, a partial or full second floor considered.
- ✓ Town Board decides to follow the roof line of the R&R Transfer building for aesthetics, with a longer roof in the back to keep snow away from building.
- ✓ Considering moving the R&R Site Managers building, which Site Manager Mickelson desires.

Supervisor Brooks opens a discussion on appointing a second deputy town clerk, reminding the Board members that the Town Board had previously appointed one.

- ✓ Discussion follows.
- ✓ The Town Board decides not to wait for the new year as suggested by Supervisor Brooks and authorizes approval of the position now.

Supervisor Brooks informs the Town Board he has signed the Spectrum contract for telephone and internet services. The current telephone company has changed ownership again.

Supervisor Brooks informs the Town Board that he has met with Mr. Jeff Rider of the NYSDEC Rangers for his approval of work the Town wishes to do on Basily road.

- ✓ After inspection, the repair work has been approved.

Supervisor Comments: See Above

Councilman Comments:

Councilman Mike Dean opens a brief discussion on the 480 A exemption for the newly purchased Gutchess Timber now Humilis Timber.

Supervisor Brooks call for further comments or discussion. There is none.

Motion to adjourn the Town Board Business meeting at 8:31 by Councilman Mike Dean, 2nd by Councilman Kevin Smith, All in favor. Motion carried, with one absentee.

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Monforte, RMC, Town Clerk, May 10th, 2017.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 6th, 2017 at 7 pm at the Sundown Church Hall.