

# Town of Denning – Town Board Meeting

Meeting called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Supervisor Brooks.  
Held on Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at the Denning Town Hall.

Present: Supervisor Brooks

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

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 Kevin Smith. All in favor. Motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote.

Correspondence – Supervisor Brooks

- The monthly donation from the YMCA in the amount of \$9,583.33 has been received and is gratefully acknowledged.
- Supervisor Brooks informs the Town Board of sale tax revenue received from Ulster County.
- Councilman Schoonmaker opens a brief discussion on AIM funding towns.
- Supervisor Brooks informs the Town Board of the mapping results of the partial topographic survey on Town Hall and possible options.
- Supervisor Brooks informs the Board of an email from Assessor Michael Sommer reminding the Board his term will expire this year and saying he would be happy to be re-appointed.
- Discussion follows, a resolution for Town Board consideration will be submitted.

Highway Report: by Superintendent Dan Van Saders

- Plowing, sanding, pushing snow back and creating run offs.
- Freightliner back in operation.
- Filling pot holes.
- Removed ice shelves in Sundown.
- Hwy. Sup. Van Saders informs the Board he met with Foamco to submit an estimate for repairing and insulation of lunch room, due to raccoon damage.
- Discussion follows on cold cell, mesh, wire installation.
- Superintendent Dan Van Saders informs the Board he also met with the insurance adjuster and animal damage is not covered.
- Supervisor Brooks opens a brief discussion on a highway safety grant, he requests Superintendent Dan Van Saders review the options it covers.
- Supervisor Brooks suggests guiderails and signage.
- Superintendent Dan Van Saders will review the grant for possibilities and have the Foamco estimate for next meeting.

Planning Board Report - by Liaison, Councilman Mike Dean

- Councilman Dean informs the Board of a discussion held regarding Honzo Haven and the new additions to the map: a tree house and an underground chamber.
- Discussion held on water and handicap accessibility at the site.
- No decision was made.
- Daniel Bishop was going to get together with CEO Karl von Hassel.
- John Hamilton submitted a map showing of the proposed combined lots and the current lots, including a lot line change between 2-½ acre lots and a larger 4-acre lot.
- Planning Board approved the lot line change, re-combining the Cole / Leas lot.
- A letter from Frank Nicoletti requesting approval of his annual brewery Special permit and of a name change to the Russian Mule Brewery.
- Logging Notice from Mike Dean and Frost Valley.
- Meeting changed to the third Thursday of each month.
- Councilman Dean regrets to inform the Board he is unable to be the liaison with the date changed.
- Supervisor Brooks asks Councilman Kevin Smith to be the liaison?
- Councilman Kevin Smith accepts; a resolution will be submitted next week.
- Supervisor Smith thanks Councilman Dean for all his efforts and years of service being the liaison to the planning board.

- Councilman Smith requests the Town Clerk email him the schedule, she will.

Supervisor Comments:

- Supervisor Brooks informs the Board the NYMIR refund check has been received.
- Meeting next week with town auditor to discuss funding of all of the grants.
- Supervisor Brooks would like to move the four grants forward;
  - 1) Furnace, generators and fuel management system, 2) storage building, 3) paving, to be done after the septic is installed, and 4) backhoe.
- The Town Board approves of moving all four grants forward.
- Bid conference here in town hall next week for the septic district.
- They want to start construction in May, bids opened in April.

Supervisor Brooks calls for Councilmen Comments:

- Councilman Vurckio inquires if any bids received, response no and no requests to review plans. He also asks, if a minimum number of bidders is needed.
- Discussion follows.
- Councilman Vurckio gives an CWT update. They are still arguing with NYC regarding the LAP prices paid by the City. No January meeting, as there was no quorum. The CWT has submitted a FOIL request to see how they determine their pricing for properties.
- Councilman Schoonmaker comments court was postponed until the 20<sup>th</sup> of this month. He also opens a discussion on the upcoming county election for county executive.
- Councilman Vurckio remarks the UC Legislature voted to hold it.
- Supervisor Brooks comments it is in the county charter.

Supervisor Brooks call for Public Comment:

- Mr. Hnatiw thanks the Town Board for approving the Veterans Exemption.
- Mr. Hnatiw opens a discussion of the issues with the White House Road problems.
- Mr. Hnatiw suggests involving the Attorney for the Town in the case.

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

Motion to adjourn 7:17 by Councilman Gregory Vurckio, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Monforte, RMC, Town Clerk, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 6 pm at the Denning Town Hall.

## Town of Denning – Town Business Meeting

Meeting held on Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at the Denning Town Hall.  
Called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Supervisor David Brooks.

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

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

The Town Clerk gave the Board members their copy of the agenda, and Resolutions No. 34 thru 35 of 2019. As well as, the Budget vs. Actual thru February 2019.

Pledge of Allegiance

Highway Pre Pay Vouchers presented by Hwy Super. Van Sadars.  
(see Warrant #3 Pre-Pay, voucher #8-10)  
MVP Healthcare Inc. DA9060.8 \$8,324.86  
Trust & Agency Account DA9030.8 \$863.67, \$948.07  
Whereupon a Motion to approve and pay Highway Pre Paid Vouchers was made by Councilman Mike Dean, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Gregory Vurckio. All in favor.

Highway Vouchers presented by Highway Superintendent Dan Van Sadars.  
(see Warrant #3, voucher #29-50)  
American Rock Salt DA 5142.4 \$3,199.15.  
Apalachee Marine DA5142.4 \$9,066.79, \$2,800.27.  
Arkel Motors DA5130.4 \$154.36  
Bottini Fuel Corp. DA5142.4 \$3,143.38.  
Campbell Freightliner da5130.4 \$8,036.76  
Bruce Donohue Trucking DA5110.4 \$3,816.29  
Ellenville Sand & Gravel DA5142.4 \$1,650.60, \$1,801.89, \$3,439.14, \$1,601.68.  
Fleet Pride DA5130.4 \$461.96  
Home Depot DA5130.4 \$140.87  
Robert Green Truck Div. DA5130.4 \$772.65  
Liberty Trading Post Inc. DA5130.4 \$58.11  
Mombaccus Excavating DA5142.4 \$2,497.20  
Prestige Towing & Recovery Inc. DA5130.4 \$395.00  
The Rental Center of Monticello DA5130.4 \$126.99, \$108.48.  
Councilman Smith requests the sales tax on the Rental Center bill be removed.  
Sarjo Industries, Inc. DA5130.4 \$593.86.  
Shakelton Auto & Truck Center DA5130.4 \$86.16.  
Whereupon a Motion to approve and pay Highway Fund vouchers by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Mike Dean. Motion carried 4 to 0 vote.

Supervisor Brooks opens a discussion on the Foamco estimate, for repair to the highway lunchroom, due to raccoon damage.  
Each Councilmen reviews the estimate, discussion follows. The Town Board unanimously approves the expenditure, minus tax on the estimate, for the urgent repair.

Supervisor Brooks opens a discussion on personnel records. He requests Hwy. Super. Van Sadars have all highway personnel records up to date.

Councilman Mike Dean asks Hwy. Super. Van Sadars to meet with the builder of a property owner on Red Hill Road, tomorrow morning. Hwy. Super. Van Sadars will be available.

Supervisor Brooks informs all present of a "Pre-Bid" conference for the first thirteen septic's, this Thursday, so prospective bidders may be at the highway and other places in Town, to view the sites.

Hwy. Super. Van Sadars leaves as his portion of the meeting has concluded.

General Pre Pay Vouchers presented by Supervisor Brooks.  
(see Warrant #3PP, voucher (#14-20)  
Central Hudson A1620.4 \$313.50, A5132.4 \$443.48, A8160.4 \$39.48.

MVP Health Care Inc. DA9060.8 \$60.50, \$6,111.92  
TWC A5132.4 \$158.62, A1620.4 \$186.26  
Trust & Agency Acct. DA9030.8 \$698.09, \$248.81.  
Whereupon a Motion to approve and pay General Fund Pre Pay vouchers by Councilman Mike Dean, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker, All in favor.

General Vouchers, presented by Supervisor Brooks.  
(see Warrant #3, vouchers #33-48)

Tammy Beck A1110.4 \$104.58  
Bottini Fuel Corp. A5132.4 \$701.70  
Central Hudson A5182.4 \$108.35  
Coalition of Watershed Towns A1989.4 \$500.00  
Everyday Apparel A1110.2 \$502.00  
Jonathan Follender a1110.4 \$698.00  
Gnome Home Inc. A1410.4 \$46.80.  
Grahamsville First Aid Squad A4540.4 \$2405.75  
Carl Landon A1460.4 \$229.58, \$262.92  
Looseleaf Law A1410.4 \$17.27, A3620.4 \$ \$17.28  
MVP A9060.8 \$60.50  
NYSATRC A1410.4 \$25.00  
Office of the Comptroller A690 \$1,122.50  
Planit Main St. A8020.4 \$135.00  
Time & the Valley Museum A7450.4 \$1,000.00  
UCRRA A8160.4 \$1,228.29  
Wapner, Koplovitz & Futerfas A1420.4 \$45.00  
Whereupon a Motion to approve and pay General Fund vouchers by Councilman Gregory Vurckio, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Mike Dean. Motion carried 4 to 0 vote.

Resolution No. 34 of 2019

**WHEREAS** the Town of Denning Town Board feels that a liaison to the Town's Planning Board is a benefit to the Town as a Whole, and

**WHEREAS** Councilman Mike Dean has faithfully served as liaison to the Denning Planning Board, for many years and is no longer able to serve for the new meeting night.

The Town of Denning Town Board would like to thank him for his many years of faithful service and commitment pertaining to his attendance and liaison efforts.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Councilman Kevin Smith be appointed SAID liaison to the Denning Planning Board.

**Whereupon**, the Resolution was put to a vote, recorded as follows:

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Mike Dean,

2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Gregory Vurckio. Roll Call Vote:

Councilman Mike Dean AYE Councilman Paul Schoonmaker AYE

Councilman Kevin Smith ABSTAIN Councilman Gregory Vurckio AYE

Supervisor David Brooks AYE

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

Resolution No. 35 of 2019

**WHEREAS** New York State Town Law section 113 authorizes the Town Board to transfer monies, and

**WHEREAS** the Town of Denning Justice Court has applied for and received a NYS Court Funded Grant which must be added to the Town of Denning 2019 Budget. And

**WHEREAS** the Town of Denning has complied with the Governor's Tax Cap Law, there -by limiting spending. And

**NOW BE IT RESOLVED** that the Denning Town Board **HEREBY** authorizes Supervisor Brooks to increase revenue A 3021 Court Facilitated State Aid by \$1,914.00 and to increase A1110.2 Justice Court Equipment budget line in the amount of \$1,464.00 and to increase A1110.4 in the amount of \$450.00 for court clerk training.

**Whereupon**, the Resolution was put to a vote, recorded as follows:

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Mike Dean,

2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

Supervisor Correspondence and Comments:

- Supervisor Brooks reads a letter to the Town Board from UCRRA; no "commercial Municipal Solid Waste (MSW), or commercial Construction and Demolition (C&D) debris, the contract between UCRRA and the Town states the Town "must not accept commercial waste."
- NYSDEC has banned Ulster County from transporting any commercial solid waste.
- Supervisor Brooks informs the Town Board he has spoken with Andrew Emrich from UCDPW and the Sundown Bridge has been put on the back burner, they have not surveyed yet.
- Supervisor Brooks opens a discussion on budget and various department updates.
- Joint discussion follows.
- Supervisor Brooks informs the Board that he has spoken with the auditor and he will be submitting four resolutions next month to transfer funds for the grants, as discussed last week.
- Brief discussion on available funds follows.
- Supervisor Brooks opens a discussion on creating a reserve fund policy.
- Discussion follows.
- Supervisor Brooks opens a discussion on a proposed local law, remedies.
- Lamont engineer Jim Gillespie has sent out fifteen plans for the first thirteen septic's to be replaced in the Septic District.
- Lamont will also make a recommendation for the accepted bidder.

Councilman Comments: There is none.

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

Motion to adjourn at 7:07 by Councilman Kevin Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Gregory Vurckio. All in favor. Motion carried by a 4 to 0 roll call vote.

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Monforte, RMC, Town Clerk, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 at 7 pm at the Sundown Church Hall.

## Town of Denning – Opening of the Claryville Septic Maintenance Bids.

Bid opening held on Tuesday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at the Denning Town Hall.

Bidding closed promptly at 1pm.

Called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Lamont Project Engineer James Gillespie.

Present: Supervisor David Brooks, Town Clerk Joy Monforte, Lamont Engineer Jim Gillespie and Lamont Assistant Project Engineer Dan Kozak.

Nine bids opened and read by Jim Gillespie:

Hubbell Inc.	\$318,900.00
Poley Paving	\$305,800.00
LaFever Excavating	\$284,380.00
Chad Davis Construction	\$342,501.00
RB Robinson	\$288,700.00
FP Kane	\$459,000.00
Sheeley Oil & Excavating	\$301,833.00
Delaware Bulldozing	\$274,140.00
Grant Street Construction	\$552,000.00

All bidders submitted the required Bid Security as well.

Project Engineer Jim Gillespie then explains the next steps in the process; Lamont Engineers will review all bid material, and then submit a recommendation to the Denning Town Board for their consideration, followed by their decision at the April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019, scheduled to begin at 7 pm meeting at the Denning Town Hall.

Mr. Gillespie thanks all who attended and all who submitted bids.

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Monforte, RMC, Town Clerk, March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019.