

Supervisor David P. Kelly opened the Workshop Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Pawling at 7:00 PM March 6, 2013 at Pawling Town Hall, 160 Charles Colman Blvd., Pawling, New York. Present were Councilmen Johnson, Montemarano, Upham and approximately 10 interested citizens. Councilman DeRosa was absent.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The motion to enter Executive Session was made by Councilman Johnson to discuss potential litigation at 7:02 PM, seconded by Councilman Upham, motion passed unanimously.

The motion to return to the regular order of business was made by Councilman Johnson at 7:42 PM. Seconded by Councilman Upham, motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Kelly said the Board met with its attorney to discuss potential litigation and no matters were moved forward.

RESOLUTIONS

The Board discussed the proposed resolutions. Following discussion, it was agreed that resolutions 2013059, 2013060, 2013062, 2013063, 2013064, 2013065, 2013066, 2013067 and 2013068 would be placed on the March 13, 2013 Town Board meeting agenda.

GOLF FEE SEASON PASS INCREASE

Councilman Johnson said regarding Resolution 2013061 relating to golf fees, the only change is on the season pass fees. He has discussed this with the Golf Commission. They are attempting to increase the day pay rounds of golf. So they have decided on a \$50.00 increase on the resident season passes and a \$75.00 increase on non-resident passes and he would move that as a motion as the only changes to last years fee schedule, seconded by Supervisor Kelly, motion passed unanimously.

CDBG STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

**Resolution 2013069
Consultant Services - Engineering**

Whereas, the Town of Pawling applied to Dutchess County Planning Department for consideration for funding a potential project through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, and

Whereas, the Town applied for and was preliminary awarded on December 20, 2012 the amount of \$100,000 for the Holmes Whaley Lake Civic Center Handicapped Accessible Improvements, and

Whereas, certain requirements are set forth against the town as part of the award and reimbursement process, and

Whereas, the Town must solicit the qualifications for Professional Services – Engineering, to serve the town with the CDBG program, and

Whereas, the Town Clerk in the past has noticed such request, now, therefore, be it

Resolved, the Town Board hereby requests the Town Clerk to notice the Request for Qualifications for Engineering Services for the Town of Pawling in conjunction with Dutchess County CDBG program and all letters shall be received back to the Town Clerk by _____, 2013.

MOTION: Supervisor Kelly
SECOND: Councilman Johnson

Councilman Montemarano introduced an amendment for the final paragraph to read as follows:

Resolved, the Town Board hereby requests the Town Clerk send letters to four sources requesting Statements of Qualifications for professional services for the Town of Pawling in conjunction with the Dutchess County Community Development Block Grant Program and all letters shall be received back to the Town Clerk by Wednesday the 13th of March at 10:00 AM.

The amendment was seconded by Councilman Johnson and motion passed unanimously.

ROLL CALL VOTE ON RESOLUTION 2013069:

Councilman Montemarano – “AYE”

Councilman Johnson – “AYE”

Councilman Upham – “AYE”

Councilman DeRosa – “ABSENT”

Supervisor Kelly – “AYE”

REPORTS

KELLY

Supervisor Kelly said the Association of Towns Business meeting was poorly attended by many municipalities. There was concern about the number of people who attended, understanding the expense to go to this conference and that the 2% tax cap hurts a lot of people and they cut out training. This conference is a vital time to network and attend training. Supervisor Kelly said he was happy to report that as of Saturday afternoon, the application for the Appalachian Trail Community designation was awarded to the Towns of Pawling and Dover and they are now known as the Harlem Valley Appalachian Trail Community. With that, they will move forward with things that need to be done with the program. Cassie Kessman from Dover was hired as a Program Director for the HVATC. There will be a ceremonial dedication of the actual program at the AT railroad crossing but there is no date yet. Supervisor Kelly said he spoke with John Daley the other day about the aging of the Town’s fuel farm and the use that it gets, which is also a shared service with the Village. He met with a vendor on a fuel monitoring system and he will meet with Mr. Daley about this system. He suggested including the Village and County in the use of this system and suggested the Town apply for a County Shared Services grant. Supervisor Kelly said regarding working with Dutchess County Human Resources, it seems like they are requiring a lot of information and working with this agency has become labor intensive.

JOHNSON

Councilman Johnson said he spoke with Tom D’Ottavio today and he would like to get into the golf course the last week in March and get things cleaned up and get started, weather permitting. Councilman Johnson said regarding PWD #2, he has been in contact with Pete Setaro from Morris Associates, Town Engineers, on sending a letter out to the Department of Health. He should have cost estimates in a month and then he will have to work with Supervisor Kelly to see how this project will be funded for those residents. Councilman Johnson said Tuesday morning, he, Supervisor Kelly and Vinny DiMarco, Co Chair of the Whaley Lake Dam Committee, met with Vince Adams and had a very healthy discussion with regards to the acquisition of the property that the Supervisor was charged with the duty of obtaining. There is a two week turn around for Mr. Adams and Councilman Johnson expected the results would be very positive for the Whaley Lake Dam District residents and for Mr. Adams.

MONTEMARANO

Councilman Montemarano said other than the Community Development Block Grant, he left the Board a draft of a volunteer application for organizations or groups and he will

need to have the Town Attorney's approval on this. He needs to finish a volunteer agreement and guidelines, which also need to be approved by the Board and Town Attorney. There already is an application for individuals. Councilman Montemarano said all Board members are going to try to do some work on Murrow Park but separate from that, the Board needs to think about a caretaker over at Murrow Park and the Board should get going on that. Additionally, around this time last year, he brought in some ideas on what might be done at Lakeside Park in the area parallel to Lakeside Drive, where the clay courts, basketball courts and Skate Park are. He lined up the Highway Department to do the hard work while they had a little bit of a break after winter. He suggested coming up with a plan and getting that area ready for the upcoming season. He is currently working on bids to replace the basketball courts.

UPHAM

Councilman Upham said he met with the Lyons at Murrow Park and asked them to send along their ideas and any suggestions they might have. This is the second time he met with them and he is not very optimistic there will be any answer. He stressed that the Board wanted to work with them on mutual interests. Councilman Upham said he was at the Shorehaven meeting and it was quiet. Councilman Upham said the Master Plan Implementation Committee meets again on the 14th. JoAnne Daley was going to send out letters to people who were interested in the historic site part of that. He will follow up with Ms. Daley and see if that was done. Councilman Upham felt the Board should try to get the Employee Handbook update done. He asked everyone to send their suggestions in as soon as possible.

Supervisor Kelly asked Councilman Upham to give the Board an update on the Master Plan Implementation Committee next month, specifically on where they are regarding the charges that were in the Comprehensive Plan.

Councilman Upham agreed.

VETERAN'S HALL OF FAME

Supervisor Kelly said he and Chief Constable Kelly attended the Veteran's Hall of Fame award ceremony held by Senator Ball, where Tom Wichtendahl (posthumously) and Stan Mersand were inducted into the Hall of Fame. It is a great program and it was a very nice ceremony.

PUBLIC COMMENT

John Daley, Highway Superintendent said he has scheduled Bulk Pickup Day for May 6, 2013. He stated that the roll off is repaired, the cost was \$5,187.00, which was a lot better than the original estimate. He thanked the highway mechanic and Councilman Montemarano for getting that done. Regarding the fuel, he didn't want anyone to get the wrong impression, he can give amounts that each vehicle uses within a tenth of a gallon per month, which is a labor intensive thing to do. The system is over 20 years old and all of the fuel readings are done by hand each month. As for helping at Lakeside Park, he is all for it but the sooner the better because the crew will be pretty busy with other things.

Wendel Weber, Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds asked if he needed approval to send out the RFP for mowing.

Supervisor Kelly said the Board would review the RFP and approve it next week.

Mr. Weber submitted a proposal for spending of the grant money for the ballfields and reviewed the proposal with the Board. He asked if the proposal was acceptable to the Board.

The Board felt the estimate looked good.

Councilman Johnson said he would talk to Senator Ball about a presentation of the grant to the Town of Pawling.

Mr. Weber said he spoke to Councilman Montemarano about the existing shed and how it is deteriorating. He would like to look at getting some type of steel building to replace the shed and it could be a place to store equipment. He would come up with a plan for a building and present it to the Board.

Vinny DiMarco said he was very pleased with the technology improvements that have been achieved, for instance the new computers and new phones. He felt the fuel monitoring system was a very good idea. Regarding the Whaley Lake Dam, he thanked Supervisor Kelly and Councilman Johnson for taking a very strong lead in the response letter to NYS DEC regarding the Dam. That was a very important document that had to be submitted to NYS DEC to secure the grant. On behalf of the Whaley Lake residents, he thanked the Board because money that is secured for the grant is money saved for the residents in that district. He thanked Supervisor Kelly and Councilman Johnson for allowing him to participate in the meeting with Vince Adams and for their efforts on that issue as well.

Stephen Sollazzo said the Master Plan Implementation Committee is in the process of putting together the Historic Overlay District, work on this will continue when the chairman comes back from his vacation. He was happy to see that Congressman Chris Gibson visited Pawling and he hoped in the future that if any elected officials visited Pawling, that there was more notice. He felt if there were visiting dignitaries coming to Pawling, there should be a lot of advertisement and PR and as many resources as possible should be notified. He felt more events should be scheduled in Pawling from now toward the summer and he would be happy to do anything he could to help.

Supervisor Kelly announced that Dutchess County Executive Marcus Molinaro would be speaking at the Pawling Chamber of Commerce meeting at Pawling Town Hall on March 19, 2013 at 6 PM.

The motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Kelly at 8:40 PM, seconded by Councilman Johnson, motion passed unanimously.

Town Clerk