

Supervisor David P. Kelly opened the Workshop Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Pawling at 7:00 PM May 7, 2014 at the Holmes Whaley Lake Civic Association building, 239 Route 292, Holmes, New York. Present were Councilmen Johnson, Montemarano, Upham, DeRosa and approximately 26 interested citizens.

RESOLUTIONS

The Board discussed the proposed resolutions. Following discussion, it was agreed that resolutions 2014068, 2014069, 2014070 and 2014071 would be placed on the May 14, 2014 Town Board meeting agenda.

OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS POSITIONS

Wendel Weber, Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds made a presentation to hire five individuals, part time and seasonal. He explained duties and hourly rates. They were as follows:

Part time		
Greenskeeper w/pesticide license	15 hours per week	\$18.00 per hour
Until the close of the golf course		
Seasonal Laborer/Golf Course	40 hours per week	\$10.00 per hour
26 weeks		

The other three positions are summer help for the parks. They are students and will work until late August when they return to college. His proposal explained all job descriptions, hourly rates, hours and budget information.

Supervisor Kelly made a motion to hire the two (2) individuals as recommended by the Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds for the golf course, seconded by Councilman Johnson, motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Kelly made a motion to hire the three (3) individuals as recommended by the Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds, seconded by Councilman Johnson, motion passed unanimously.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FACILITIES USE REQUEST WAIVER

Supervisor Kelly said the Knights of Columbus were granted a Facilities Use Request by the Town Board last month for the use of the Lakeside Park Pavilion. However, they did not receive a waiver of the fee.

Supervisor Kelly made a motion to grant the Knights of Columbus a waiver of their Facilities Use Request fee, seconded by Councilman Upham, motion passed unanimously.

RFP FOR TWO ROLL OFF CONTAINERS

Highway Superintendent John Daley said he would like to put out an RFP for two furniture containers. They are very badly needed at the Transfer Station. He would like to take the money out of the capital fund for the Transfer Station.

Supervisor Kelly said he would be in favor of checking to make sure the funding is there and approve the RFP next week.

TRIATHOLON ADDITIONAL HELP

Councilman Montemarano said in the lead up to the Triathlon, a lot of extra people are needed for setup and for the weekend of the Triathlon. There are always volunteers helping but it might be a good idea to get some dedicated people to be paid for the week ahead and weekend of the Triathlon. He met with Melissa Smith, Recreation Director

and Wendel Weber, Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds and they are in agreement. They were hoping to use existing employees, not hiring anyone new.

The motion to hire the appropriate number of labor class positions for the Triathlon event was made by Supervisor Kelly, seconded by Councilman Johnson, motion passed unanimously.

ADVERTISING FOR GOLF COURSE

Councilman Johnson said he has a new ad for the golf course to play on the radio. It will take up about a third to half of the budget. The remainder of the budgeted advertising funding will be spent in the fall.

REPORTS

KELLY

Supervisor Kelly said the defensive driving training was held for all Town employees today and it was very successful. He attended the County Executive's prayer breakfast yesterday. He had Jerry Terwilliger, Town Bookkeeper and Todd Bender, Legislative Aide attend the Dutchess County Supervisor's and Mayor's Association meeting, where the Association of Towns talked about the tax freeze legislation and how it will affect municipalities in upcoming years. He met with the School district for their monthly meeting along with Peter Cris/President of the Pawling Chamber of Commerce and a representative from the Mayor's Office in the Village. He met with Stewart Leaf, new owner of the Whaley Lake Marina property to discuss what he is doing with that property and residents access to the lake through this property. The Whaley Lake Dam Committee had a meeting in April to discuss the new design for the reconstruction of the dam, which was a very productive meeting. Discussed was a spring/summer/fall construction season of 2015 which still has to be approved by NYS DEC. He met with the Fire Chief about a dry hydrant near the dam property along Route 292 in Holmes. He met with the Fire Marshall regarding the design of the road and ramp accessing the Whaley Lake Dam site. NYS DEC has done their annual inspection of the Whaley Lake Dam and he thanked Vinny DiMarco for allowing the use of his boat for that inspection. Supervisor Kelly thanked Mr. DiMarco and Bill Colbert for removing a large section of dock that was blocking the Whaley Lake Dam spillway. Regarding the Pawling Joint Sewer Commission, the sewer line on Route 22 is moving forward. There is agreement on the plans for the plant and they will now be sent to NYS DEC, Dept. of Health and Dept. of Transportation. Supervisor Kelly said he has been working with Comcast on the cable franchise agreement. The big issue is to have all Town owned buildings have cable TV and also internet access. The Fuel Master System, which is the new system to dispense fuel is in the last stages and will also benefit the Town with new, larger tanks. He attended an E911 board meeting and some new changes were discussed, as well as the picking up of needles and sharp objects on roads and how to handle that problem. He and Councilman Montemarano met today with a group of citizen volunteers who are concerned about Murrow Park and discussed setting up an Ad Hoc Committee to bring some of the issues forward to the Town Board.

JOHNSON

Councilman Johnson said regarding the golf course, Mr. D'Ottavio was asking about additional signage, possibly on Route 22. He would research this. Regarding Pawling Water District #2, VRI is working on iron issues and an RFP for a generator for the district. Councilman Johnson said the Constables vests are worn out and he is researching pricing on new vests and looking for additional funding to offset the purchase of them.

DEROSA

Councilman DeRosa said regarding the Whaley Lake Dam project, NYS DEC does not want to begin dewatering of the lake until the spring because they do not want the amphibians at the bottom of the lake disturbed. Councilman DeRosa said he attended the three day training course for Building Inspector's in Poughkeepsie, along with Tom Corrao, Ron Gallagher and Tom Llanes. Councilman DeRosa said he is working with the Planning Board on the portion of the Town Code dealing with gas stations, in order to allow convenience stores and gas stations in the Highway Business zone and expects to be moving that forward. He attended a Planning Board and Zoning Board overview course in Millbrook last week, along with other Town of Pawling Planning and Zoning Board members. Dutchess County Planning Federation is working on an education schedule for the fall.

MONTEMARANO

Councilman Montemarano said the bid package for the elevator for the Holmes Whaley Lake Civic Association building is about to be approved by Dutchess County. He wanted to touch on some other matters that need to be addressed. There is an abatement section on this project that will not be funded with the handicapped accessibility money. Therefore, the Board may have to find the money for that. It was his understanding that the asphalt paved parking for handicapped accessibility at the HWLCA building may be funded by the East of Hudson.

Supervisor Kelly said yes, the pavement is all part of an MS4 stormwater management program and can be funded by East of Hudson. He is working on that.

Councilman Montemarano said the alterations for the existing bathrooms for handicapped accessibility can probably be paid for with the CDBG. The interior partition walls for the foyer and upper and lower levels project is a fairly large number at \$37,500.00, but Councilman DeRosa felt it could be done in house with possibly a maintenance mechanic and forced labor, rather than putting it out to bid. Councilman Montemarano said he is working on the corrosion of the road at Lakeside Park with John Daley, Highway Superintendent.

UPHAM

Councilman Upham said the Pawling Triathlon will take place on June 7th and it is a great event, everyone should attend.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Vinny DiMarco said three weeks ago, there was a bear on his deck, so people should be aware of the bear population in the community. He expressed his thanks to Supervisor Kelly and Councilman DeRosa for their work on the Whaley Lake Dam. He thanked Bill Colbert for helping remove the dock from the spillway. He received the letter from the new owner of the Whaley Lake Marina. If anyone finds out what to do with needles found in the road, please let him know how to dispose of them.

John Daley said toward the end of May, he is scheduling a chain saw safety class for his crew and he has extended the invitation to Wendel Weber and his crew and also to the Village Highway crew.

Carol Leight submitted a petition with signatures from Holmes residents who want the Holmes Pond cleaned up so the children can go there to fish. She asked who put the sign up stating no fishing/no skating and why. Residents want to ice skate and fish.

Supervisor Kelly said the Buildings & Grounds Department put the signs up because this is an insurance issue and a labor issue.

Mrs. Leight asked why residents can't go ahead and clean up the lake.

Supervisor Kelly said this portion of the Town is in the NYC watershed and under NYS DEC regulations. The Town has to follow those regulations and can't cut down plants around the pond. He said kids can fish now, the no fishing sign was for ice fishing.

Bill Blessey asked if the Town could conduct a cleanup along Route 292 in Holmes.

Supervisor Kelly said the Board could discuss it but Route 292 is a State road and the Town would have to talk to the State about it.

Mr. Blessey said regarding gas stations in the Highway Business district, he felt only one would be affected by the change in zoning. The one gas station has been pressing the Town to be able to sell goods other than gas and nothing has been done about it.

Steve Sollazzo said if the Town is talking with Comcast regarding the franchise agreement, he felt wifi in Town buildings would be a good asset as Board members like to bring their laptops to meetings. He said Pawling is one of the only towns in Dutchess County not televised and maybe that could be included in the new agreement.

The motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Kelly at 7:55 PM, seconded by Councilman Johnson, motion passed unanimously.

Town Clerk