

**TOWN BOARD, TOWN OF NORTH EAST
BUSINESS MEETING
NOVEMBER 13, 2014**

Members Present:

Supervisor John Merwin
Councilman James Campbell
Councilman Ralph Fedele
Councilman George Kaye
Councilman Steven Merwin

Call to Order:

Supervisor Merwin called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Acceptance of Agenda:

On a motion by Councilman Kaye, seconded by Councilman Merwin the following was:

ADOPTED - AYES - 5 (Merwin, Campbell, Fedele, Kaye, Merwin)
NAYS - 0

RESOLVED, to accept the Agenda as amended.

Public Comment on Agenda Items Only: none

Public Hearing on the 2015 Town of North East's Tentative Budget:

On a motion by Councilman Merwin, seconded by Councilman Fedele the following was:

ADOPTED - AYES - 5 (Merwin, Campbell, Fedele, Kaye, Merwin)
NAYS - 0

RESOLVED, to open the Public Hearing at 7:05PM

Edith Greenwood asked why the Town Clerk salary went up. Lorna Sherman, Budget Officer explained that the total department went up three percent same as other departments.

Julie Schroeder asked why the Supervisor's line was at \$28,000 and the salary was \$22,400.00. Ms. Sherman, Budget Officer explained that this included the Budget Officers salary.
Ms. Greenwood had other questions concerning the Highway and Ambulance Service budgets.

On a motion by Councilman Kaye, seconded by Councilman Fedele the following was:

ADOPTED - AYES - 5 (Merwin, Campbell, Fedele, Kaye, Merwin)
NAYS - 0

RESOLVED, to close the Public Hearing.

The Public Hearing closed at 7:25 P.M.

Department and Committee Reports:

POLICE - Dave Rudin reported that for the month of October there were DWI arrests, horses in the roadway and fire alarm activations. He reported that there were 57 incidents in October, 18 in the Town and 39 in the Village.

HIGHWAY - Superintendent Stevens reported to the Board that the 1995 International Pay Star had developed engine knock. He provided the Board with an estimate from Dutchess County Diesel. Councilman Kaye requested that another estimate be obtained.

Superintendent Stevens requested a speed limit analysis for Stateline Rd and Gay Rd.

On a motion by Councilman Kaye, seconded by Councilman Campbell the following was:

ADOPTED - AYES - 5 (Merwin, Campbell, Fedele, Kaye, Merwin)
NAYS - 0

RESOLVED, to request a speed limit reduction for Stateline Road.

On a motion by Councilman Campbell, seconded by Councilman Kaye the following was:

ADOPTED - AYES - 5 (Merwin, Campbell, Fedele, Kaye, Merwin)
NAYS - 0

RESOLVED, to request a speed limit reduction for Gay Road.

Mr. Stevens informed the Board that Highway Department Guidelines to Ensure Accountability were put into place with the Village of Millerton.

ASSESSOR - no report

PLANNING/ZONING AND BUILDING - the Board was advised that the memos for the Planning/Zoning and Building dated November 8, 2014 were on the table.

TOWN CLERK - Town Clerk Lisa Cope informed the Board that she had attended a meeting in Dover concerning participation in the 2015 Local Government Records Improvement Fund grant for a shared services for a program called Laser fiche which is a way of keeping records in electronic format.

On a motion by Councilman Campbell, seconded by Councilman Kaye the following was:

ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL:

Supervisor Merwin
Councilman Campbell
Councilman Fedele
Councilman Kaye
Councilman Merwin

RESOLVED, to authorize participation in the 2015 Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund (LGRMIF) Shared Services Grant with the Town of Dover.

Meeting with Counsel:

GENERAL LEGAL MATTERS - Mr. Replansky announced that Northern Dutchess Paramedic contract is ready to go. The monies have been budgeted and a prepared resolution is in place.

On a motion by Councilman Campbell, seconded by Councilman Fedele the following was

ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL:

Supervisor Merwin - AYE
Councilman Campbell - AYE
Councilman Fedele - AYE
Councilman Kaye - AYE
Councilman Merwin - AYE

RESOLVED, to accept the contract with Northern Dutchess Paramedics (NDP) and have Supervisor Merwin sign.

Mr. Replansky asked that the previous Cablevision Contract be provided to him. The Town has a clean copy of the proposed contract. He asked the Board to look at sections 16 and 17 in the updated contract.

Counsel asked that the Board look over the noise ordinance. They like the ordinance used by the Village of Millerton and feels that it will be easier to enforce.

Mr. Replansky requested authorization to settle a Tax Certiorari in regards to Robert H. Nathan.

On a motion by Councilman Kaye, seconded by Councilman Merwin the following was:

ADOPTED- AYES- 5 (Merwin, Campbell, Fedele, Kaye, Merwin)
NAYS-)

RESOLVED, to allow Mr. Replansky to sign Tax Certiorari concerning Robert H. Nathan with a possible amendment made.

Resolution to Authorize the List of Properties in the Town of North East Water District #1 with Unpaid Water Bills to be sent to Dutchess County for Collection in the Amounts Listed by the Village of Millerton.

On a motion by Councilman Kaye, seconded by Councilman Fedele the following was

ADOPTED - AYES - 5 (Merwin, Campbell, Fedele, Kaye, Merwin)
NAYS - 0

RESOLVED, to authorize the list of properties in the Town of North East Water District #1 with unpaid water bills to be sent to Dutchess County Commissioner of Finance for collection in the amounts listed by the Village of Millerton.

Adoption of 2015 Budget:

On a motion by Councilman Kaye, seconded by Councilman Fedele the following was

ADOPTED - AYES - 5 (Merwin, Campbell, Fedele, Kaye, Merwin)
NAYS - 0

RESOLVED, to accept the 2015 Budget as presented.

Establishment EMS Review Committee:

Supervisor Merwin informed the Board that he would like to see an EMS Committee established. The Committee should consist of two Town Board Members, two Fire Commissioners, the Fire Chief and one member of the Village Board.

On a motion by Councilman Kaye, seconded by Councilman Fedele the following was

ADOPTED - AYES - 5 (Merwin, Campbell, Fedele, Kaye, Merwin)
NAYS - 0

RESOLVED, to formulate an EMS Committee as proposed.

Retirement Voucher:

On a motion by Councilman Merwin, seconded by Councilman Campbell the following was:

ADOPTED - AYES - 5 (Merwin, Campbell, Fedele, Kaye, Merwin)
NAYS - 0

RESOLVED, to authorize Ms. Sherman to pay the Retirement Voucher in the beginning of December, 2014 when it is due.

Town Hall Meeting with County Executive Marc Molinaro:

Supervisor Merwin informed the Board that County Executive Marc Molinaro would be holding a Town Hall Meeting at the American Legion Post # 178 on Monday, November 24, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the proposed county budget.

Supervisor's Report:

Supervisor Merwin informed the Board that the DEC has upgraded the status of the land fill. In doing so, they will downgrade the monitoring of the site.

SPECIAL ABSTRACT - On a motion by Councilman Merwin, seconded by Councilman Fedele the following was

ADOPTED - AYES - 5 (Merwin, Campbell, Fedele, Kaye, Merwin)
NAYS - 0

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RESOLVED, to accept the Special Abstract dated October 27, 2014 in the following manner:

A Fund - \$4,518.58
B Fund - \$ 278.41
DB Fund - \$6,480.40

TOTAL: \$11,277.39

All signed and dated the Abstract.

MONTHLY ABSTRACT - on a motion by Councilman Fedele, seconded by Councilman Campbell the following was

ADOPTED - AYES - 5 (Merwin, Campbell, Fedele, Kaye, Merwin)
NAYS - 0

RESOLVED, to accept the Regular Abstract dated November 13, 2014 in the following manner:

A Fund - \$19,688.26
B Fund - \$ 4,512.62
DB Fund - \$38,219.83
SWI Fund - \$17,560.73
ESCROW - \$ 5,650.18

TOTAL: \$85,631.62

All signed and dated the Abstract.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT -

On a motion by Councilman Campbell, seconded by Councilman Fedele the following was

ADOPTED - AYES - 5 (Merwin, Campbell, Fedele, Kaye, Merwin)
NAYS - 0

RESOLVED, to approve Budget Adjustment #6, of 2014.

VOUCHER COMMITTEE FOR DECEMBER, 2014

The Voucher Committee for December, 2014 will consist of Councilmen Fedele and Councilman Campbell.

MINUTES:

On a motion by Councilman Fedele, seconded by Councilman Campbell the following was

ADOPTED - AYES - 5 (Merwin, Campbell, Fedele, Kaye, Merwin)
NAYS - 0

RESOLVED, to accept the minutes of June 12, 2014 as presented.

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On a motion by Councilman Kaye, seconded by Councilman Fedele the following was

ADOPTED - AYES - 5 (Merwin, Campbell, Fedele, Kaye, Merwin)
NAYS - 0

RESOLVED, to accept the minutes of September 17, 2014 as presented.

On a motion by Councilman Campbell, seconded by Councilman Fedele the following was

ADOPTED - AYES - 5 (Merwin, Campbell, Fedele, Kaye, Merwin)
NAYS - 0

RESOLVED, to accept the minutes of October 9, 2014 as presented.

Adjournment:

On a motion by Councilman Fedele, seconded by Councilman Campbell the following was

ADOPTED - AYES - 5 (Merwin, Campbell, Fedele, Kaye, Merwin)
NAYS - 0

RESOLVED, to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Cope
Town Clerk

APPROVED - December 11, 2014