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The Town Board of the Town of Stuyvesant held a Public Hearing on Thursday, October 13, 2016 at 7:00pm at the Town Hall for Proposed Local Law #1 of 2016 Relating to the Licensing of Dogs. In attendance were Supervisor Ron Knott, Councilman Brian Chittenden, Councilwoman Kelley Williams, Councilman Edward Scott, Councilman Tom Burrall, Town Clerk Melissa Naegeli, Highway Superintendent Chuck Stiffler, and Attorney for the Town Tal Rappleyea.

Supervisor Knott opened the Public Hearing at 6:45pm and asked Town Clerk Melissa Naegeli to read the Notice as it appeared in the Official Newspaper. Mrs. Naegeli read the following:

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**Town of Stuyvesant**  
**Public Hearing – Oct. 13, 2016**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the Town Board of the Town of Stuyvesant will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, October 13, 2016 at 6:45pm for the purpose of hearing public comments relating to the proposed Local Law #1 of 2016 “Regulating the Licensing of Dogs”. The Hearing will take place at the Stuyvesant Town Hall, 5 Sunset Drive, Stuyvesant, New York 12173. Copies of the proposed Local Law are available on the Town Website as well as in the Town Clerk’s Office.

Melissa A. Naegeli, RMC  
Town Clerk

Supervisor Knott reviewed the proposed law and copies had been provided for those in attendance. Mr. Knott asked if there were any questions or comments from the Board or audience.

There being no comments or questions, Supervisor Knott made a motion to close the Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by Ed Scott and was approved by unanimous vote. The Public Hearing closed at 6:50pm.

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The Town Board of the Town of Stuyvesant held their monthly business meeting on Thursday, October 13, 2016 at 7:00pm at the Town Hall. In attendance were Supervisor Ron Knott, Councilman Brian Chittenden, Councilwoman Kelley Williams, Councilman Edward Scott, Councilman Tom Burrall, Town Clerk Melissa Naegeli, Highway Superintendent Chuck Stiffler, and Attorney for the Town Tal Rappleyea.

Supervisor Knott opened the meeting at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion to approve the previous minutes was made by Tom Burrall, seconded by Ed Scott and approved by unanimous vote.

**Correspondence**

Two letters of interest in the vacated Town Justice position were received from Bill Vick, Sr. and Mike Winnie. Supervisor Knott asked Councilwoman Williams to assist him in the interview process for both candidates. Interviews will be scheduled.

Columbia County Planning responded to Supervisor Knott with suggested changes to the Amended Zoning Law. Supervisor Knott will meet with Councilwoman and Committee Chair Kelley Williams, Town Attorney Tal Rappleyea, and Town Engineer Ray Jurkowski to review their comments.

A motion to approve the bills as presented was made by Brian Chittenden, seconded by Ed Scott and was approved by unanimous vote.

**Special Guests**

Representatives Derrick LaTorre and Scott Bowman from the Valatie Rescue Squad addressed the Board and audience regarding their request for a \$14,000 increase in funding.

**Old Business**

*Broadband* – Supervisor Knott reported that CEDC developed broadband maps were in the meeting room on the back bulletin board. He added that he is trying to get a larger Stuyvesant-specific map and asked that everyone review the maps for accuracy. Lee Jamison commented that her Fairpoint bill was already charging a “broadband cost recovery fee”.

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**Reports**

*Town Clerk* – Report on File. Melissa Naegeli reported that a lot of residents had been coming in to license their dogs after receiving the postcard mailing she had sent to everyone.

*Recreation Committee* – Kelley Williams reported that the Committee had discussed Spring clean ups and repairing the bridge on the trails at Ken Hummel Park. Lee Jamison announced the annual River Sweep would be May 6, 2017.

*Railroad Station Committee* – Supervisor Knott announced there would be a reception at the Station to celebrate the work completed thus far and the new comfort station installed.

*Environmental Management Council* – Lee Jamison presented a report prepared by Christian Sweningson. The Council had met on September 26<sup>th</sup>. There will be a renewable energy fair at Maple Hill School on Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> 10am – 3pm. The report also announced that the CLC had received a DEC Grant for \$43,067 for a Natural Resources Inventory to be completed.

*Dog Control Officer* – Report on file.

*Kinderhook Memorial Library* – Lee Jamison reported the newsletter was out. The Friend of the Library will hold an event on 10/19 to celebrate making a contribution toward the Capital project. The increase funding request will be on the November election day ballot.

*Office for the Aging* – Ida Leiser reported that the next meeting will be held on October 21<sup>st</sup>. The Elder Express newsletter is available. There will be a public information meeting on October 25<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Leiser also reported:

- There is a desperate need for Meals on Wheels drivers around the County;
- Flu Shot Clinics are being held around the County; and
- Seniors are being signed up for health care and Epic drug programs.

*Highway Department* – Superintendent Chuck Stiffler reported that

- Patch work is going on around the Town;
- Trucks are being readied for Winter;
- The paperwork for the speed reductions on Church and Riverview Streets have been received by the State DOT for review;
- The new truck is in and is being lettered;

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- Fall Clean Up Day is Saturday, October 15, 2016.

*Assessor* – Assessor’s Clerk Cathy Knott reported that exemptions will be mailed out in November. She reminded everyone to contact the Assessor’s Office if they think they may be eligible for an exemption.

*Planning & Zoning Boards* -- The Zoning Board of Appeals will have a Public Hearing at their October meeting regarding a property on Riverview Street.

*Historian* – Supervisor Knott reported that Town Historian Juanita Knott is looking for an intern to help with filing.

*Cemetery* – Councilman Ed Scott reported that he had spoken with Peter Van Alstyne regarding a survey of the property adjacent to the cemetery. The project has been put on hold. Mr. Scott also reported that he will have Tony Link mulch fallen leaves in a couple of weeks as a final clean-up for the year.

*ZEO/Building Inspector* – Report on file.

*Town Hall* – Everything has been quiet.

### **County Government**

- Supervisor Knott reported that:
- Hazardous Waste Day had been very successful;
- EPA is assessing landfill sites for solar farm use;
- Engineering projects around the County (bridges) are being completed on time and under budget;
- Airport committee meetings are being held and are reviewing funding sources;
- There had been a meeting on the County Budget on October 13<sup>th</sup>; Auditors have given a positive review of the County fiscal situation.

### **New Business**

*2017 Budget* – Supervisor Knott reviewed the Preliminary Budget, copies were available for audience members. He reviewed line-by-line changes. The next budget workshop will be held at the Board’s regular Workshop meeting on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. There were no questions from the public or the Board.

*Local Law #1 of 2016* – A Public Hearing had been held prior to the Town Board meeting regarding a proposed Local Law #1 of 2016 Relating to the Licensing of Dogs. A motion to adopt Local Law #1 of 2016 was made by Councilman Ed Scott, seconded by Councilman Brian Chittenden and

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was approved by unanimous vote. Town Clerk Melissa Naegeli will sign documents prepared by Town Attorney Tal Rappleyea and they will be filed with the NYS Secretary of State. Law will take effect immediately upon filing. Mrs. Naegeli will also send a copy to the Columbia Greene Humane Society directing them to begin collecting appropriate fees.

Supervisor Knott presented Budget Amendment #3 transferring money to purchase the new truck for the Highway Department, in the amount of \$48,537.50. The Amendment was signed by all members of the Board and filed in the Town Clerk's Office.

**Public Comments**

There were no questions or comments from the public.

A motion to adjourn was made by Brian Chittenden, seconded by Ed Scott and was approved by unanimous vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Melissa A. Naegeli, RMC  
Town Clerk*

Abstract of Vouchers presented for payment October 2016

	<i>October 2016</i>			<b>LIGHTS</b>	
<b><u>CLAIM #</u></b>	<b><u>PAYEE</u></b>	<b><u>A/C#</u></b>	<b><u>GENERAL</u></b>	<b><u>LND/FALLS</u></b>	<b><u>HIGHWAY</u></b>
400	CDPHP (\$2964.96)	9060.8	432.84		2532.12
401	NYS Office of State Comptroller	A2610	928.00		
402	National Grid	1620.4	63.06		
403	Time Warner Cable (\$390.03)	1620.4	269.43		
		5132.4	120.60		
404	Marlin Business Bank	1620.4	139.00		
405	Business Automation Svcs (46.11)	1410.4	5.95		
		1355.4	5.95		
		8020.4	5.95		
		3620.4	5.95		
		1220.4	5.95		
		1620.4	16.36		
406	Johnson Newspaper	8020.4	23.09		
407	Colleen Bruno	1110.4	29.56		
408	Staples Credit Plan	7510.4	136.10		
409	Ichabod Crane	7550.4	300.00		
410	Stuyvesant Fire Co. #1	7550.4	500.00		
	<i>9/30/2016</i>		2987.79		2532.12
411	National Grid	1620.4	43.07		
412	National Grid	5132.4	121.88		
413	National Grid (\$1147.33)	5182.4		567.22	
				596.21	
414	Constellation (\$345.92)	5182.4		166.36	
				179.56	
415	Constellation	5132.4	105.50		
416	Paychex of NY LLC	1320.4	177.71		
417	Johnson Newspaper Corp.	1010.4	21.97		
418	Tal G. Rappleyea, Esq.	1420.4	812.50		
419	Xerox Corp.	1410.4	143.26		
420	US Postal Service	1110.4	58.00		
421	County Waste	8160.4	93.58		
422	Rainbow Distributors	5132.4	89.49		
423	Culligan	5132.4	28.93		
424	Verizon Wireless	5010.4	69.19		
425	Fleet Services (169.04)	7110.4	144.13		

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		5110.4			24.91
426	Meltz Lumber	5110.4			25.00
427	CJ Miner, Inc.	5110.4			640.00
428	Colarusso Quarry	5110.4			41.91
429	Valley Energy	5110.4			491.30
430	Sawyer Motors	5130.2			48537.50
431	AirGas USA LLC	5130.4			20.20
432	Ben Funk, Inc.	5130.4			828.93
433	Inter City Tire	5130.4			1232.13
434	Mooradian Hydraulics & Equip.	5130.4			40.00
435	CarQuest of Valatie	5130.4			510.21
436	Mario's Home Center	5130.4			120.88
437	New Castle Asphalt	5110.4			1012.06
438	Northeast Auto Parts, Inc.	5130.4			19.20
439	Share Corp.	5110.4			87.00
440	Amerian Auto & Plate Glass Co	5130.4			435.00
441	Staples, Inc. (\$85.41)	1410.4	85.41		
442	Sickler, Torchia, Allen & Churchill	1320.4	1502.06		
	<i>Total 10/13/16</i>		<i>3496.68</i>	<i>1509.35</i>	<i>54066.23</i>
	<b><i>Abstract Total</i></b>		<b><i>6484.47</i></b>	<b><i>1509.35</i></b>	<b><i>56598.35</i></b>