

NOVEMBER 8, 2017, TOWN BOARD

Three public hearings and a regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Root, County of Montgomery and State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 1048 Carlisle Road, Sprakers, New York on the 8th day of November 2017.

PRESENT: Gary Kamp Supervisor
Dominic Cuomo Councilman
LuEmma Quackenbush Councilwoman
John VanKersen Councilman
Robert Subik Attorney
Donald Oeser Superintendent of Highways

ABSENT: Evelyn Lindley Councilwoman
Laurel Eriksen Town Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT: Bob Harris, Assessor; Clifton Dorrrough, Code Enforcement Officer; Vito Powylan, Planning Board Member; Debbie Buck, reporter Courier-Standard-Enterprise; several residents

Supervisor Kamp opened the public hearing on the Flood Plain Management Regulations at 6:30 PM. There were several questions and comments from residents. The public hearing was closed at 6:44 PM.

Supervisor Kamp opened the public hearing on the 2018 Budget at 6:45 PM. There were a few questions and comments. The public hearing was closed at 6:52 PM.

Supervisor Kamp opened the public hearing on the Real Property Tax Exemption for Cold War Veterans at 6:53 PM. There were a few comments. The public hearing was closed at 6:55 PM.

Supervisor Kamp opened the meeting at 7:00 PM with the pledge to the flag.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Councilman Cuomo motioned seconded by Councilwoman Quackenbush to approve the minutes from the October 11, 2017 meeting as presented.

Ayes 4 – Kamp, Cuomo, Quackenbush, VanKersen Nays 0

PUBLIC COMMENT

Supervisor Kamp opened the floor for public comment.

Resident Noah Radliff read a letter in regard to having the speed limit reduced from 55 to 45 on West Lykers Road. The letter was given to Highway Superintendent Oeser to follow up with Montgomery County.

CORRESPONDENCE

The third quarter sales tax was received from Montgomery County in the amount of \$114,121.13.

REPORTS

Reports were available from the Code Enforcement Officer, the Dog Control Officer, the Justice and the Bookkeeper.

There was no report from the Clerk but the monies received for October were turned over to the Supervisor in the amount of \$1,477.63.

The Attorney prepared resolutions for the meeting.

The Assessor reported that he is waiting for the trending data from NYS Real Property and that he is working on the non-reappraisal assessments.

The Highway Superintendent reported that the CHIPs paperwork has been submitted and that payment should be received in mid December.

The Planning Board reported they are continuing discussion on tiny houses as well as reducing the current requirement of 900 square feet of livable space.

The Supervisor revised completed the 2018 budget.

AGENDA

Supervisor Kamp presented the agenda for the meeting. Councilman VanKersen motioned seconded by Councilman Cuomo to adopt the agenda.

Ayes 4 – Kamp, Cuomo, Quackenbush, VanKersen Nays 0

OLD BUSINESS

There was nothing further to discuss on the Local Law for the Flood Plan Management Regulations; the Flood Plain Management Agreement with Montgomery County; the 2018 Town Budget and the Local Law for the Cold War Veteran’s Exemption so the Town Board moved to adopt the same as follows:

RESOLUTION No 11 of 2017

BOARD MEMBER VanKersen presented the following Local Law regarding the adoption of flood plan management regulations to adopt new Flood Insurance Rate Maps for Montgomery County, to be designated as Chapter 30 of the Town Code and moved its adoption.

BE IT ENACTED, That the Town Code of the Town of Root shall be amended by the addition of a new Chapter 30, entitled “Flood Plan Management Regulations,” a copy of the text of which is annexed hereto as Schedule A, and it is further

RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this Local Law with the New York State Secretary of State in the manner prescribed by law, and it is further

SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER Cuomo

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOW VOTE:

Ayes – 4 Kamp, Cuomo, Quackenbush, VanKersen Nays 0

RESOLUTION No 12 of 2017

BOARD MEMBER VanKersen presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption

RESOLVED that the Town Supervisor be and he is hereby authorized to execute an Intermunicipal Flood Plain Management Agreement between the Town and the County of Montgomery, a copy of which is annexed as Schedule "A" and it is further

SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER Cuomo

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOW VOTE:

Ayes – 4 Kamp, Cuomo, Quackenbush, VanKersen Nays 0

Councilman VanKersen motioned seconded by Councilman Cuomo to approve the 2018 Town Budget as presented.

Ayes 4 – Kamp, Cuomo, Quackenbush, VanKersen Nays 0

RESOLUTION No 13 of 2017

BOARD MEMBER VanKersen presented the following Local Law to establish a Real Property Tax Exemption for Cold War Veterans.

BE IT ENACTED:

TITLE: REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR COLD WAR VETERANS

(see Schedule "A" annexed hereto)

SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER Cuomo

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOW VOTE:

Ayes – 4 Kamp, Cuomo, Quackenbush, VanKersen Nays 0

The noise law was discussed briefly then tabled until next month.

NEW BUSINESS

The old generators will be declared surplus equipment; Attorney Subik will compile the necessary paperwork to seek sealed bids for the January 10, 2018 meeting.

ABSTRACTS

Abstract #11 of the general fund for vouchers numbered 262-276 were audited and ordered paid. Paid abstract total was \$34,899.42.

Abstract #11 of the highway fund for vouchers numbered 146-151 were audited and ordered paid. Paid abstract total was \$8,361.58.

Councilman VanKersen motioned seconded by Councilman Cuomo to accept the audit of abstract #11 of the general fund in the amount of \$34,899.42 and abstract #11 of the highway fund in the amount of \$8,361.58. The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURN

Councilman VanKersen motioned seconded by Councilman Cuomo to adjourn at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurel Sherrie Eriksen, Town Clerk

Minutes derived from the notes of Councilwoman Quackenbush.