

The Town Board met in Regular Session this evening at the Gardiner Town Hall at 7 PM. Present were Supervisor Majestic, Councilmembers Carucci, Walls and Richman. Councilmember Wiegand was absent. There was approximately 8± audience members.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Community Choice Aggregate program letters have been sent out. This program has been a joint effort with The Town Board and Joule Energy suppliers and is 100% renewable energy at a locked-in rate for 2 years. Residents that are not with their own Energy Supply Company will automatically be signed up for the program unless they opt out. The letter will explain how residents can opt out, at any time.

State-wide burn ban will be lifted on May 15th.

Update on Awosting Club Article 78 – the Town attorney filed a motion to dismiss the lawsuit, the motion is fully briefed and has been pending before Justice Kevin Bryant of the Ulster County Supreme Court since April 7th. The Town is waiting for a ruling on the motion.

Councilmember Carucci mentioned Saturday, May 6th was the 12th Annual River Keeper Sweep with Climate Smart. There were about 50 volunteers who helped pick up garbage from several sites along the Wallkill River, spanning from Gailville to Majestic Park. Volunteers also performed log maintenance on 670 trees planted for Trees for Tribes near the River Bend Trail Park.

Councilmember Richman looked into finding sample fee schedule for Zoning Law Violation which was unsuccessful. She plans on looking at what neighboring Towns have to get ideas of how to move forward. She will keep the Board updated with her findings.

POTTHAUST PRESENTATION

John and Diane Potthauast are requesting the Town Board to permit the Town sell a lot adjacent to their two existing lots to them in order to have access to their additional lot. This was previously presented at the October 2021 Planning Board meeting.

B. Stiscia stated this lot was considered a Future Road Reservation with no road frontage, and that the Town does not typically sell these properties. The DEP also has an existing lot which would likely prevent the ability to have this land be used for a future road. In this situation it doesn't benefit the Town to keep this property, but it would take time and money to sell the lot. The recommendation is to consider selling to the Potthauasts but they incur the legal expenses for this process.

Visual presentation of the lot properties reviewed in detail.

Clarification of type of referendum and legal input are needed for determining the next steps in consideration of selling this property.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM PRESENTATION

On motion of Supervisor Majestic, seconded by Councilmember Walls and carried. The Town Board accepted the proposal from Edmunds GovTech at \$26,000.00 for Financial Management Software System. Councilmember Weigand was absent.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT FEE SCHEDULE

On the motion of Supervisor Majestic, seconded by Councilmember Walls and carried. The Town accepts the amended Building Department Fee Schedule. Councilmember Richman abstained and Councilmember Weigand was absent.

The Town of Gardiner has adopted changes to their Schedule of Fees – Building Department as follows: New Residence \$552.20 +.15 cents per GSF, Residential Addition w/ bedroom \$292.50 + .15 cents per GSF, Residential Addition No Bedroom \$227.50 +.15 cents per GSF, Residential Renovation <1,000SqFt \$125.00 +.15 cents per GSF, Residential Renovation >1,000SqFt \$260.00 +.15 cents per GSF, New Commercial Space \$975.00 +.15 cents per GSF, Commercial Renovation \$357.50 +.15 cents per GSF, Garages <1,000SqFt \$227.50 +.15 cents per GSF, Garages >1,000SqFt \$357.50 +.15 cents per GSF, Deck/Porch >500SqFt \$100.00 +.15 cents per GSF, Deck/Porch >500SqFt \$227.50 +.15 cents per GSF, Above Ground Pool \$162.50 +.15 cents per GSF, In Ground Pool \$227.50 +.15 cents per GSF, Sheds \$130.00 +.15 cents per GSF, Signs \$130.00 +.15 cents per GSF, All Others (no addition) \$100.00 +.15 cents per GSF, Compliance \$260.00, (MF) \$220.00, (COM)\$600.00 +.15 cents per GSF, Large Scale Solar Farm \$4,000.00 Per Acre, Permit Renewal 1st Renewal 30% of Original Fee, Additional Renewal 50% of Original Fee, Hot Tubes (Hard Wired) \$130.00, Solar Panels \$100.00, Wood & Pellet Stoves \$130.00, Heating & Cooling System Replacement \$130.00, Windows & Doors \$130.00, Electrical System Upgrade \$130.00, Generator \$130.00, Fuel Tank Removal & Install \$100.00, Driveway Permit \$130.00, Demolition Permit \$97.50, Municipal Search Request \$97.50, Expedited Municipal Search Request \$162.50, Commercial Truss Fee \$50.00, Fireworks Permit \$97.50, Zoning Permit \$150.00, Operating Permit \$75.00 Operating Permit Renewal \$25.00, Flood Plan Development Permit \$75.00. All other fees will remain the same.

AUTHORIZATION FOR SUPERVISOR TO SIGN CONTRACT FOR BUSING WITH NPCSD

On the motion of Councilmember Walls, seconded by Councilmember Carucci and carried, Supervisor Majestic was authorized to sign the contract for busing with the New Paltz Central School District for the Summer Rec Program. Councilmember Weigand was absent.

MINUTES

Minutes of February 7th and 14th as well as March 7th and 14th were approved as written on motion of Councilmember Carucci, seconded by Supervisor Majestic and carried. Councilmember Weigand was absent.

SUPERVISOR'S MONTHLY REPORT

On motion of Councilmember Carucci, seconded by Supervisor Majestic and carried, the April Supervisor report was approved as presented.

CLAIMS

Claims for the month of April were approved for payment on motion of Councilmember Richman seconded by Councilman Carucci and carried. The are listed on Abstract # 4 as follows: General Fund voucher #151-203 \$81,156.49; Highway Fund voucher #67-83 \$19,846.10; Sewer Fund voucher #10-12 \$625.00. Councilmember Weigand was absent.

BUDGET TRANSFERS

Resolution No. 89 – Supplemental Appropriation in Highway Fund – Offered by Councilmember Carucci, Resolved, pursuant to Section 112, Town Law, the 2023 Annual Budget, Highway Fund, is hereby amended to provide for supplemental appropriations in the amount of \$150.00 in Acct 01-08-9055-800 CE Disability Insurance. Further Resolved, said money to be taken from the Highway Fund. Seconded by Councilmember Richman and carried. Councilmember Weigand was absent.

Resolution No. 90 – Supplemental Appropriation in General Fund – Offered by Councilmember Carucci, Resolved, pursuant to Section 112, Town Law, the 2023 Annual Budget, General Fund, is hereby amended to provide for supplemental appropriations in the amount of \$756.00 in Acct 00-01-1320-403 CE Federal Statement AUD; \$750.00 in Acct 00-08-9055-800 CE Disability; \$5,410.00 in Acct 00-01-19100-400 CE Insurance (Marshall and Sterling). Further Resolved, said money to be taken from the General Fund. Seconded by Councilmember Richman and carried. Councilmember Weigand was absent.

Resolution No. 91 - Transfer in General Fund – Offered by Councilmember Richman, pursuant of Section 112, Town Law, the 2023 Annual Budget, General Fund is hereby amended to provide the transfer of \$21.08 from Acct 00-08-9030-800 CE FICA to Acct 00-08-9020-800 CE State Fee. Seconded by Councilmember Carucci and carried. Councilmember Weigand was absent.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Residents commented on Awosting Club.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Councilmember Walls, seconded by Councilmember Carucci and carried, the meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM. Councilmember Wiegand was absent.