

June 12, 2017 - Town Board Meeting

Supervisor Richard Keaveney opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed by a moment of silence.

PRESENT: Supervisor Richard Keaveney
Councilperson Alan Miller
Councilperson Brenda Adams
Councilperson Terese Platten
Councilperson David Patzwahl

AUDIENCE: 24

MINUTES:

MOTION: Motion made by Councilperson Brenda Adams, seconded by Councilperson Alan Miller to approve the May 8th, 2017 minutes. 5-ayes

Roll-call showed: Supervisor Richard Keaveney - yes;
Councilperson Alan Miller - yes;
Councilperson Brenda Adams - yes;
Councilperson Terese Platten - yes; and
Councilperson David Patzwahl - yes.
Motion Carried.

BILLS:

MOTION: Councilperson David Patzwahl made a motion, seconded by Councilperson Terese Platten, to approve the payment of the General bills: #224 - #259 in the amount of \$21,034.99; Highway bills: #48 - #63 in the amount of \$23,963.27. 5-ayes

Roll-call showed:
Supervisor Richard Keaveney - yes;
Councilperson Alan Miller - yes;
Councilperson Brenda Adams - yes;
Councilperson Terese Platten – abstained from bill #228 all others -yes; and
Councilperson David Patzwahl - yes.
Motion Carried.

SUPERVISOR MONTHLY REPORT

Town Clerk Revenues	\$ 445.47
Highway Fund	\$465,069.80
Highway Fund Capital	\$269,288.64
Lighting Districts	\$ 2,748.84
Ambulance Districts & Fire Districts	\$ 325.78
Building Inspector	\$ 2,135.00(April)
Planning Board	\$ -0-
Recreation	\$ 7,626.63
General Fund Balance	\$ 377,279.05
Court Revenues	\$ 9,376.00(April)
Zoning Board of Appeals	\$ 75.00
Tax Collector	\$ 145,589.55

RESOLUTION #53 – Budget Amendment

Motion made by Councilperson Brenda Adams, seconded by Councilperson Alan Miller, to approve Resolution #53

WHEREAS, the Canaan Town Board wishes to increase the Unexpended Revenue balance in the Highway fund by \$30,000.00 and the Expense Account Bridges Contractual, DA5120.4, by \$30,000.00, and

WHEREAS, this increase is for the Bristol Road Bridge Project,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Canaan Town Board approves the increase of funds for the Bristol Road Bridge Project. 5-ayes

Roll-call showed: Supervisor Richard Keaveney – yes;
Councilperson Alan Miller – yes;
Councilperson Brenda Adams – yes;
Councilperson Terese Platten – yes; and
Councilperson David Patzwahl – yes.

Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION #54 – NYS Retirement Standard Work Day and Reporting

Motion made by Councilperson David Patzwahl, seconded by Councilperson Terese Platten, to approve Resolution #54. 5-ayes

Roll-call showed: Supervisor Richard Keaveney – yes;
Councilperson Alan Miller – yes;
Councilperson Brenda Adams – yes;
Councilperson Terese Platten – yes; and
Councilperson David Patzwahl – yes.

Motion Carried.

MOTION: Approve a Negotiated Article 7 Settlement

Motion made by Councilperson Alan Miller, seconded by Supervisor Richard Keaveney, to approve the settlement between the Town of Canaan and HJB Holdings. 5-ayes

Roll-call showed: Supervisor Richard Keaveney – yes;
Councilperson Alan Miller – yes;
Councilperson Brenda Adams – yes;
Councilperson Terese Platten – yes; and
Councilperson David Patzwahl – yes.

Motion Carried.

MOTION: Approve Peaceful Valley Painting Bids for the Town Clerks' Office (\$1,450-\$1,800) and the Town Highway Garage East Façade (\$1,500-\$1,850). 5-ayes

Roll-call showed: Supervisor Richard Keaveney – yes;
Councilperson Alan Miller – yes;
Councilperson Brenda Adams – yes;
Councilperson Terese Platten – yes; and
Councilperson David Patzwahl – yes.

Motion Carried.

MOTION: Approve the New Consolidated Zoning Laws on the Town Website.

Supervisor Richard Keaveney said that the Zoning Laws have been consolidated to include all the previous amendments and were reviewed by Councilperson Alan Miller, Pierre Gontier (Planning Board chairperson) Deputy Town Clerk, Sandy Haakonsen. Councilperson Brenda Adams asked that she review the completed Zoning Laws and track the changes. The Board decided to table the motion until the July meeting.

Presentation/Discussion: * Robyn Reynolds presented the NYSERDA Clean Energies Community Program and informed the Town of the grant funds and the availability. The fact sheet included: (see below)

1. Recognizing and rewarding local governments for their clean energy leadership
2. Building a better community
3. Clean energy leadership brings rewards

Ms. Reynolds explained ten high impact actions: benchmarking, clean energy upgrades, LED street lights; clean fleets; solarize; unified solar permit; energy code enforcement training; climate smart communities' certification; community choice aggregation; and energize NY finance.

The website is: nysesda.ny.gov./cec

- Amended “*”

FACT SHEET

CLEAN ENERGY COMMUNITIES



10 High Impact Actions

Benchmarking

Clean Energy Upgrades

LED Street Lights

Clean Fleets

Solarize

Unified Solar Permit

Energy Code Enforcement Training

Climate Smart Communities Certification

Community Choice Aggregation

Energize NY Finance

contact:
your local Clean Energy Community Coordinator listed on the reverse side of this fact sheet

visit:
nyscrda.ny.gov/cec

Recognizing and rewarding local governments for their clean energy leadership

The Clean Energy Communities Program recognizes and rewards village, town, city, and county governments in New York State for reducing greenhouse gases and implementing clean energy. This program provides tools, resources, and technical assistance to help local governments implement clean energy actions that can save taxpayer dollars, create jobs, and improve the environment.

Building a better community

By participating in this program, Communities can:

- Protect the environment
- Galvanize the community
- Promote economic development
- Save taxpayer money
- Offer technical support

Clean energy leadership brings rewards

Elected officials or employees of local governments across New York State can apply to the program to gain recognition and rewards for their communities.

Communities that complete four out of the 10 High Impact Actions and meet all other eligibility requirements are:

- Designated by New York State as a Clean Energy Community
- Eligible to apply for grants of up to \$250,000 to fund additional clean energy projects

Clean Energy Community Coordinators can help your municipality by:

- Providing free technical assistance and consulting services to communities undertaking clean energy actions and projects.
- Assisting with understanding Clean Energy Communities program requirements.
- Hosting educational seminars and training on topics including energy efficiency, clean energy technologies and policies, climate change, smart growth, and other best practices.

Helping access other local, state, and federal resources.

Engaging local organizations focused on clean energy, sustainability, and economic development, helping to create a self-sustaining network of local clean energy support.

Contact a Coordinator

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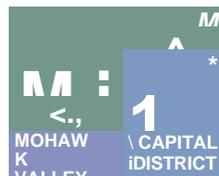
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Get started

Visit nyserdera.ny.gov/cec or contact your local Clean Energy Community Coordinator listed above.

- Clean Energy Community Coordinators are not responsible for ensuring submission of program documentation or grant applications and cannot guarantee any community a grant award.

NYSERDA, a public benefit corporation, offers objective information and analysis, innovative programs, technical expertise, and support to help New Yorkers increase energy efficiency, save money, use renewable energy, and reduce reliance on fossil fuels. NYSERDA professionals work to protect the environment and create clean energy jobs.

NYSERDA has been developing partnerships to advance innovative energy solutions in New York State since 1975. To learn more about NYSERDA's programs, visit nyserdera.ny.gov or follow us on Twitter, Facebook, YouTube, or Instagram.

Board Discussion:

1. Updates

- a. Town letter – Supervisor Richard Keaveney said that the annual Town letter is being sent today.
- b. NYS OC Audit – Supervisor Keaveney said that the Town still has not received any notification from the State Audit.
- c. Town, Fire, Ambulance, County Property Taxes have been taken down to the County. The Town has collected 93% this year.
- d. Transfer Station Repairs – Supervisor Keaveney said that Covanta has made some improvements in the road conditions.
- e. Broadband – residents please take the speed test the more that take this test the better the reports will show what capacity we are receiving. Councilperson Terese Platten attended and spoke at the PSC public hearing on the Consolidated Communications-Fairpoint Communications deal on May 31st. This meeting was well attended and the discussion centered on the broadband issue. The average internet speed is 4Mbps, people would like it brought up to 100 Mbps [which is considered high-speed broadband service].
- f. Councilperson David Patzwahl questioned the tonnage that the Town is dumping at the transfer station. The contract states the Town is allowed to dump 750 tons and we are already at 268 tons.

ASSESSOR MONTHLY REPORT:

Grievance Day- There was around 12 Grievances that went before the BAR. Any changes from this have been entered on the roll. A Statement of changes will be filed with the Town Clerk.

Final Roll-

The final Roll will be filed on July 1st. A legal notice will be in the paper

Other-

I went to a pretrial conference, a matter under litigation is coming to a close. Preliminary Equalization rate is 100%

Re-assessment: Data verification has ended. However, I am still personally working with vacant land verifications and updating zoning and relevant parcel information that is needed to move forward.

I will not be sending data mailers to the taxpayers until I can complete this work.

I have been working at/with the county on land tables and neighborhoods.

We are now working heavily on all the back ground input needed for a successful reassessment.

SALES- Sales have not been entered due to being in between the tentative roll and the final roll

HIGHWAY REPORT – Councilperson Alan Miller read the Highway report.

ACTIVITIES:

I have had several meetings with the Columbia County Superintendents of Highways as well as their contractor regarding the paving of Route 24. When they reconstruct Route 241 am having the intersections of Cemetery Road, Schoolhouse Rd and Stonewall Road paved a distance of 50 feet to enable a smoother transition off the county road. Stonewall Road required major drainage construction in

order to slow down the water and reroute it We installed a drop basin to catch some of the water.

We are continuing to excavate soft spots throughout the town where there is water infiltrating the clay sub base. Shale stabilization along with stone drains is the solution. We have already spent close to \$100K on stone & gravel products.

A constant pot hole patch program has been instituted due to all the wet weather. See a big one please call us -they grow over night!

Flint's Crossing beyond the commercial zone is being scheduled for reclamation & repaving in July.

Truck 7 has been cleaned, waxed & several rusty spots were primed & painted. Knock on wood it's running well.

The fleet has been inspected but...truck 12 failed. It needs front end work & tires. It seems that this is the year for tires!

All the highway employees have been to the annual safety training program on June 7th.

I'm at highway school that's why I am not here tonight

Thanks for reading my report!

PUBLIC Discussion:

1. Eric Suquet, owner of the Graylight Farm, East Chatham; spoke about the letter that was placed in rural mail boxes concerning the Graylight Farm. Eric explained that he and his wife operate an organic farm and do raise vegetables and pigs. They are working with DEC and are placing a fence to protect the stream and to prevent the animals from getting into the stream. DEC has classified this stream as a class "C" stream.

ADJOURNMENT: Councilperson Brenda Adams, made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Richard Keaveney, to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 p.m. 5-ayes

Roll-call showed: Supervisor Richard Keaveney - yes;
Councilperson Alan Miller - yes;
Councilperson Brenda Adams - yes;
Councilperson Terese Platten - yes; and
Councilperson David Patzwahl - yes.
Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

*Charlotte L. Cowan, MMC/RMC
Canaan Town Clerk/Tax Collector*

