

**January 7, 2008  
Town of Taghkanic  
Organizational Meeting**

The Town Board of the Town of Taghkanic opened its Organizational meeting on the above date at 7:05 PM., at the Taghkanic Town Hall.

**Present:** Elizabeth L. Young           Supervisor  
              Erin Edwards                Councilwoman  
              Anthony P. LaSalvia        Councilman  
              Carolyn Sammons          Councilwoman  
              Richard Skoda             Councilman  
              Cheryl Rogers             Clerk



**Absent:**

**Guest Speaker: Greg Fingar, Peter Fingar Agency**

**7:18 PM:** Councilwoman Sammons made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss interviews of applicants, seconded by Councilwoman Edwards.

**Approved    5 Aye           (Young, Edwards, LaSalvia, Sammons, Skoda)**  
**0 Nays**  
**0 Absent**

**8:26 PM:** Motion to exit executive session was made by Councilwoman Edwards seconded by Councilman LaSalvia.

**Approved    5 Aye           (Young, Edwards, LaSalvia, Sammons, Skoda)**  
**0 Nays**  
**0 Absent**

**8:27 PM:** On a motion by Councilwoman Sammons, seconded by Councilman Skoda, the following appointments were made:

**Approved    5 Aye           (Young, Edwards, LaSalvia, Sammons, Skoda)**  
**0 Nays**  
**0 Absent**

Official meeting date - 1st Monday of month at 7:30 PM  
Official meeting schedule will be as follows for the year 2007

\*\*(M) Monday, (W) Wednesday

January 7 (M)	February 4 (M)	March 3 (M)
April 7 (M)	May 5 (M)	June 2 (M)
July 7 (M)	August 4 (M)	September 3 (W)
October 6 (M)	November 5 (W)	December 1 (M)

October 15, 5:30 PM. Budget Workshop (W)  
December 29, 5:30 PM. Year End (M)  
Deputy Supervisor - Barbara Roemer  
Town Attorney – Robert J. Fitzsimmons  
Registrar of Vital Statistics - Cheryl Rogers

Town Constable- Vacant  
Official Newspaper – Register Star and The Independent

On a motion by Councilman LaSalvia, seconded by Councilwoman Sammons, the following appointments were made:

**Approved 5 Aye (Young, Edwards, LaSalvia, Sammons, Skoda)**  
**0 Nays**  
**0 Absent**

Town Historian - Nancy Griffith  
Dog Control Officers - R. & J. Graziano and Cheryl Rogers  
Dog Shelter - Columbia-Greene Humane Society  
Official Bank - National Union Bank of Kinderhook  
Mileage at \$.50 ½ per mile or by County Rate  
ZEO/CEO/Building Inspector - Dennis Callahan  
Town Hall Custodial - Doreen Chevalier

On a motion by Councilwoman Sammons, seconded by Councilman Skoda, the following appointments were made:

**Approved 5 Aye (Young, Edwards, LaSalvia, Sammons, Skoda)**  
**0 Nays**  
**0 Absent**

Budget Officer - Elizabeth Young  
Bookkeeper - Mark Fitzgerald  
Grievance Board Salaries - \$25 per day; \$150 maximum  
Insurance Carrier - Peter Fingar Agency  
Town Engineer - Morris Associates

On a motion by Councilman LaSalvia, seconded by Councilwoman Sammons, the following were authorized for approval:

**Approved 5 Aye (Young, Edwards, LaSalvia, Sammons, Skoda)**  
**0 Nays**  
**0 Absent**

Permission for the Supervisor to invest the Town monies.  
Price of gravel to be set by Highway Superintendent.

The following highway salaries were approved on a motion by Councilwoman Edwards, seconded by Councilman LaSalvia.

**Approved 5 Aye (Young, Edwards, LaSalvia, Sammons, Skoda)**  
**0 Nays**  
**0 Absent**

Laborer	-	\$11.40 per hour, overtime time and half
MEO	-	\$14.60 per hour, overtime time and half
Sr. MEO w/ Foreman Status	-	\$15.20 per hour, overtime time and half
Part Time	-	Minimum Wage

The following highway benefits were approved on a motion by Councilwoman Edwards, seconded by Councilwoman Sammons.

**Approved 5 Aye (Young, Edwards, LaSalvia, Sammons, Skoda)**  
**0 Nays**  
**0 Absent**

Holiday's (11) - New Year's, Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Veterans Day, Columbus Day, Election Day, Thanksgiving, Martin Luther King Day, and Christmas.

Vacation will be one week after one year, two weeks after two years, three weeks after ten years, and four weeks after fifteen years.

Paid hospitalization for all highway workers and Clerk/Collector.

Supervisor Young announced committee Appointments, with the first name being Chairman of that Committee: motion to accept the following appointments was made by Councilman Skoda, seconded by Councilman LaSalvia.

**Approved 5 Aye (Young, Edwards, LaSalvia, Sammons, Skoda)**  
**0 Nays**  
**0 Absent**

Highway: Skoda, Edwards, Sammons  
Legal: Town Board  
Fire: Sammons, Skoda, LaSalvia, Hilscher  
Insurance: Sammons, Skoda, Edwards  
Planning: Sammons, LaSalvia, Edwards  
Assessment: Skoda, LaSalvia, Sammons  
Zoning: Skoda, Sammons, LaSalvia  
Senior Citizens: Young, LaSalvia, Sammons  
Buildings: Skoda, Sammons, Edwards  
L.O.S.A.P. Young, LaSalvia, Hilscher

Supervisor Young asked for Councilman LaSalvia recommendation for the open seats on the ZBA. Councilman LaSalvia responded Diane Rodriguez for the 5 year, Thomas Kiely for the 3 year, James Carley for the Alternate. Councilwoman Edwards agreed with Councilman LaSalvia. Supervisor Young then asked Councilwoman Sammons and she responded Robert Rochler for the 5 year, Thomas Kiely for the 3 year, and Erin Goldman for the Alternate. Councilman Skoda agreed with Councilwoman Sammons. Supervisor Young felt she agreed with Sammons and Skoda. Councilwoman Sammons made motion for Rochler 5 year, Kiely 3 year, Goldman Alternate, seconded by Skoda.

**Appointments 3 Aye (Young, Sammons, Skoda)**  
**Approved 2 Nays (Edwards, LaSalvia)**  
**0 Absent**



**Planning Board Members:**

2nd Tuesday of month at 7:30 PM.

\$20.00 a meeting

Cindy Hilscher	Chairwoman (\$150.00 a month)	12-31-2012
Ryan Skoda		12-31-2010
Deborah Colgrove		12-31-2014
Jeff Tallackson		12-31-2011
Martha Meier		12-31-2013
Joseph Romaine		12-31-2009
John Roberts		12-31-2008
Robert Tyler		Alternate

Councilwoman Edwards replied “I would just like to say I’m very disappointed after all the political rhetoric about bringing civility to our town, when appointments ended up partisan and included family members. The answer is to bring diversity to our town.”

**Board of Assessment Review Appointment:** Councilwoman Sammons made motion to appoint Tara ME Buffa to the open seat on the BAR, seconded by Councilman LaSalvia.

**Appointment**      **5 Aye**      **(Young, Edwards, LaSalvia, Sammons, Skoda)**  
**Approved**        **0 Nays**  
                             **0 Absent**

**Board of Assessment Review Members:**

Tara ME Buffa	09/30/12 Term Ends
Carmen Nero	09/30/10 Term Ends
Thomas G. Mirabelli	09/30/11 Term Ends

**8:40 PM** Motion to close the Organizational Meeting was made by Councilwoman Sammons, seconded by Councilman LaSalvia.

**Approved**      **5 Aye**      **(Young, Edwards, LaSalvia, Sammons, Skoda)**  
                             **0 Nays**  
                             **0 Absent**

**Cheryl Rogers  
Clerk/Collector  
Town of Taghkanic**