

Approved
May 12, 2014

**April 24, 2014
Town of Taghkanic
Town Board Meeting**

7:10 pm: The Town Board of the Town of Taghkanic held its Town Board and Advisory Building Committee meeting on the above date at the Taghkanic Town Hall. Supervisor Tyree opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance, moment of Silence and Safety Review.

Present: Erik Tyree Supervisor
Richard Skoda Councilman
Ryan Skoda Councilman
Joyce Thompson Councilwoman
Cheryl Rogers Clerk
Ray Jurkowski Town Engineer
Absent: Debora Gilbert Councilwoman

Present from the Advisory Building Committee (ABC):
Arthur Baker

Clerk Rogers, informed the Board that Craig Surprise, Sole Assessor would like to change his day to be in the office each week from Friday 9-12 to Wednesday 9-12 and he would still meet with residents on Saturday's by appointment only. Councilwoman Joyce Thompson motioned to approve Assessor Surprise's request to change his day from Friday to Wednesday 9-12, seconded by Councilman Ryan Skoda.

Approved: 4 Ayes (Erik, Joyce, Richard, Ryan)
0 Nays
1 Absent (Debora)

Churchtown Fire Co. LOSAP 2013 Points: Churchtown Fire Company 2013 LOSAP point record that has been posted for 30 days was submitted to the Town Board. Councilman Richard Skoda motioned to approve the 2013 LOSAP points as posted for thirty days, seconded by Councilwoman Joyce Thompson.

Approved: 4 Ayes (Erik, Joyce, Richard, Ryan)
0 Nays
1 Absent (Debora)

The bills were audited and approved for payment: on a motion by Councilman Ryan Skoda, seconded by Councilman Richard Skoda.

April 24, 2014 Abstract:

2014 General Fund Vouchers # 129 - 136 \$ 7,260.89

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0 Nays
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Supervisor Erik Tyree informed the Board that he met with Superintendent Hotaling on Old Route 82 to look at a wash out that the creek bed is only 6ft. from the road. We will need Ray Jurkowski to prepare the paperwork for a permit from DEC; I need a motion to have Ray Jurkowski prepare this permit, so moved by Councilman Ryan Skoda, seconded by Councilman Richard Skoda.

Approved: 4 Ayes (Erik, Joyce, Richard, Ryan)
0 Nays
1 Absent (Debora)

- Ray Jurkowski, the turnaround should only take a month. Ray suggested he contact DEC to setup meeting for Monday with for George, a DEC representative and he would try to fast track this project..

1. Pollution Site Investigation: Update from Ray Jurkowski, I have just received by email today from Northeast that they will be sending me the draft spill investigation report, after he reviews he will send to Clerk Rogers to distribute to the Town Board members for their review.

2. Highway Facility Project:

- ◆ Supervisor Erik Tyree, Ray informed me that the \$5,000 will be taken off and he will draft a contract and send it to Attorney Decaire for his review on Monday and will CC. Clerk Rogers.
- ◆ Councilman Richard Skoda, where are we with getting the land from the County?
- ◆ Ray Jurkowski, the survey is done; I have discussed this with Bernie Kelleher and Dave Robinson. We need to lay out what we are proposing, set up a meeting with the County Attorney to present our proposal.
- ◆ Supervisor Erik Tyree and Councilwoman Joyce Thompson met with Mr. and Mrs. Schutzer on April 19, 2014 at 11 am at the Schutzer home. Also present at the meeting was Nancy Schenberg, Nicholas Schriber, and John Markus. The Schutzers have accepted the fact that the town has decided to stay at the old site but would like the town to look into different options for the salt shed. They do not like the coverall. The following is a letter from the Schutzers summarizing the meeting:

Erik and Joyce

Thank you for taking the time to meet with us on Saturday. I am unable to attend the meeting on Thursday April 24, but wanted to reiterate some of the points made during our discussion. Currently, we believe that utilizing the existing Highway Garage site is in the best interest of the Town. We understand the pressing need for remodeling and expansion of the existing garage facility, as well as the need for a salt shed.

However, we feel that the following critical concerns still need to be addressed and/or clarified. We look forward to working closely with you to develop acceptable solutions to each concern.

- Resolution of the contamination on the highway garage property. We are awaiting further reports from the Town's environmental consultant on this issue and input from DEC. It is critical that we understand whether our property has been contaminated by the highway garage operations.
- Adequate screening of the new facility - both from the road and from our property. A detailed landscaping plan should be prepared containing a description of what will be planted and where. We would like to meet with you and Ray Jurkowski to work on such a plan.

- Further exploration of construction options for the salt shed and garage structures, particularly with respect to materials used on the exterior.

At the Public Information meeting back in December, there were three options presented for the salt shed structure, and it was stated that there would be further discussion and evaluation of these options and their costs. However, based on what was discussed at the April 10th meeting, the Board has made a decision to go forward with the Fabric Structure option. The Proposal for Services from Morris Associates dated March 14, which was approved at the April 10th meeting, indicates that the Fabric Structure is the only one being pursued. However, we have not seen any cost comparisons for each of the options discussed in December. Can you provide those to us? Also, we appreciate your agreement to look into the costs of a pole barn for use as a salt shed. We would welcome the opportunity to discuss some of these other construction options with you and Ray.

Lastly, although we did not discuss this on Saturday, we had planted a number of evergreen trees near our property line to partially screen the existing highway facility from our property. Four of those trees died due to the salt run-off from the garage site. We would greatly appreciate it if the Town would pay to replace these trees.

Thank you again for your time and attention to this matter,
Karen & Steve Schutzer

Councilwoman Joyce Thompson requested that Mr. Jurkowski get her all the pricing again so she could make a presentation to show the difference in pricing for a coverall vs. pole barn structures, also the differences in warranties, heights, and load qualifications and any other pertinent information.

- Arthur Baker, visual impact, is it possible that 4x4x8 post be set in place of the stacks marking the site for the salt shed.
- Supervisor Erik Tyree, we will need elevations.
- Ray Jurkowski, yes, front and side views of pole barn structure, also front and side views of fabric structure.
- Supervisor Erik Tyree, let's have Ray re-establish the post and elevations and we will go from there.
- Councilwoman Joyce Thompson, what are the pros and cons of laminate wood beams vs. truss?
- Supervisor Erik Tyree, are they utilized that much?
- Ray Jurkowski, yes.
- Linda Swartz, what affect does the salt or material stored have on the beams.
- Ray Jurkowski, if engineered for truss beams, none.
- Ray Colgrove, US Steel advertises building for \$30,000.
- Ray Jurkowski, the buildings advertised are for private sale and are designed for lower snow loading and good for private uses. This type of building requires skilled workers and municipalities pay prevailing wage rates so that could add ~ \$30,000 to the work., The private use products are southern installation not northern and the weight load is for 20lbs.
- Arthur Baker, the entrance will it be open or closed with doors.
- Ray Jurkowski, open. Metal buildings are vapor barriers and cause rust, not

recommended. The Dome buildings are prone to damage, and are supposed to be loaded from the top.

Supervisor Erik Tyree, Screening what's the plan

- Ray Jurkowski, would like to meet with the Schutzer's to hear their concerns. When preparing the SEQRA long form screening and elevation will be addressed.
- Councilman Ryan Skoda, arborvitae evergreens would be good.

Supervisor Erik Tyree, Ray you meet with Ryan and George about the equipment. Ray Jurkowski, the following is the list and site plan with the equipment:

	<u>Make</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Description</u>
<u>Trucks</u>			
	International	2000	Dump Truck - Truck #7
	International	1996	Dump Truck with Plow - Truck #5
	International	2005	Dump Tuck - Truck #3
	International	2006	Dump Truck with Sander - Truck #4
	GMC - 3500	2007	1 Ton Pick Up, with Plow - #1
	Dodge - 5500	2011	3 Ton with Plow and Sander
	GMC - 3500	2002	1 Ton, w/ dump and Plow - Truck #2
<u>Equipment</u>			
	John Deere	1994	Grader
	Fermec	2000	Backhoe w/extended Hoe
	Doosen	2009	Loader
	Case 685	1988	Tractor with sweeper and York rake
	Case 595	1991	Tractor with Side Mower
	Galion	1958	4-6 Ton Roller
<u>Apparatus</u>			
	Frink	1964	Snow Plow
	Frink	1970	Snow Plow
	Tarco	1998	6 Yard Sander
	Swenson	1998	6 Yard Sander
	Swenson	1998	1.5 Yard Sander
		1993	Tow Behind Sweeper
			Town Behind Grader
<u>Misc.</u>			
			1000 Gal Water Tank
			Drag Box
			Spreader Gates -3
<u>Surplus</u>			
			Snow Plow
			Small Sander - 1.5 yard

Snow Plow - V



Arthur Baker, I read the report on wing plows, are they included? Also I would like to see a sketch drawing of the facilities.

Councilwoman Joyce Thompson, no because we do not have wing plows at this time.

Ray Jurkowski, if the Town gets wing plows they can be stored in the side building.

Supervisor Erik Tyree, last item of the letter is the evergreen trees near Schutzer's property line Ray have you had a chance review.

Ray Jurkowski, the plume is contained with that said I do not feel that has had anything to do with the trees dyeing. I will look into that area again and will report back to the board.

The following meetings were set for the building committee:

May 8th

May 22nd

June 12th

June 26th all to be held at 7 pm

Councilman Ryan Skoda, George what is your opinion on the V-plow?
Superintendent Hotaling, it's no good, we should get rid of it, and we can put in the dumpster.

Councilman Richard Skoda motioned to grant permission for Superintendent Hotaling to get rid of the V-plow as he sees fit, seconded by Councilwoman Joyce Thompson.

Approved: **4 Ayes** **(Erik, Joyce, Richard, Ryan)**
 0 Nays
 1 Absent **(Debora)**

Town Hall Maintenance Person:

Supervisor Erik Tyree, we have one more topic to discuss, Ray Colgrove, maintenance man position for the town buildings.

- Ray Colgrove suggested a debit card, so he could purchase materials.
- Councilwoman Joyce Thompson, we would need to draft a credit card policy first.
- Clerk Rogers suggested she call and add Ray's name to the Williams Lumber account, until the credit card policy is drafted and approved.
- Councilwoman Joyce Thompson, what do you feel would be a fair hourly rate?
- Ray Colgrove, I get \$30.00 per hour.
- Councilman Ryan Skoda motioned to hire Ray Colgrove to be paid time and material \$30.00 per hour, seconded by Councilman Richard Skoda.

Approved: **4 Ayes** **(Erik, Joyce, Richard, Ryan)**
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- Councilman Richard Skoda, Ray will be on call as well.
- Supervisor Erik Tyree, yes.
- Ray Colgrove, I will survey what needs to be done, to start with - installing the new air conditioner, changing the receptacle for the new air conditioner, fix the light lens over the judge's bench and in the court clerk's office and address the jury box (check on court requirements).

Wage Analysis: Councilwoman Joyce Thompson informed the Board that she is gathering comparable highway pay scales from other towns in the county.

Shared Services: Supervisor Erik Tyree informed the Board that he attended a Public Works meeting and heard the Town of Livingston, Clermont, and Germantown were prepared to purchase a paver under a shared services contract. Maybe this is something the Town of Taghkanic could do with the Towns of Gallatin, Ancram, and Livingston.

Medical Insurance: Councilwoman Joyce Thompson suggested the Board review the information provided by Steve Acciani on the health insurance.

Supervisor Erik Tyree, when looking for insurance, I would like to try to stay within the county so we support people in our own area.

- Councilman Ryan Skoda, agree.

- Councilwoman Joyce Thompson, I think it is important but not the only factor; cost, policy, etc. should be deciding factors as well.
- Supervisor Erik Tyree, we need information to be apples to apples.
- Councilwoman Joyce Thompson, will send the information from Paul Nostrand to all Board members to review.

Linda Swartz, CHIPS money letters went out yesterday.
 Councilwoman Joyce Thompson, who is setting up new agenda for May 8?
 Supervisor Erik Tyree, I will.

With no further business, on a motion by Councilman Richard Skoda, seconded by Councilman Ryan Skoda, the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 pm, carried unanimously by all members present. The next Regular meeting will be **May 12, 2014** at the Taghkanic Town Hall.

Audience:	Walter Thompson Alice Platt	George Hotaling Ray Colgrove	Linda Swartz Ray Jurkowski	Arthur Baker
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Action List:

1. Clerk Rogers will post a notice of meeting change. *Done*