

MAY 26, 2015 JOINT MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF BERGEN TRUSTEES AND BERGEN TOWN BOARD

The Bergen Town Board convened in a regular session at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall with Supervisor Cunningham presiding.

PRESENT:

Supervisor Donald Cunningham
Councilman Brian Stone
Councilwoman Belinda Grant
Councilman Ernest Haywood
Councilman Daniel VanValkenburg

ALSO PRESENT:

Michele M. Smith, Town Clerk
Mike Johnson, Highway Superintendent
David Mason, ZEO/CEO

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Mayor Anna Marie Barclay
Deputy Mayor Kevin Donovan
Trustee Paul Cooper
Trustee Emily VanEenwyk
Steve Hyde
Rachael Tabelski
Bill Waldruff
Charlie Cook
Barry Miller (arriv. 7:50)

Cortney Gale, Village Administrator
Norm Pawlak
John Murray
Butch Donley
Joe Nenni
Bob Bausch
Robert Fedele
George Sardou
Anne Sapienza (arriv. 8:16)

PRAYER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

GCEDC Presentation by Steve Hyde, President gave an update of projects at Apple Tree Acres

JOINT SESSION BEGAN at 7:37 pm

DISCUSSION TOPICS:

Comprehensive Plan: Norm Pawlak gave an update on the progress - 423 responses from survey; by September there should be a draft from the consulting firm.

Shared Services: New Village Highway DPW Supervisor Gary Zawodzinski is very motivated; ¼ mile track in Hickory park; road work.

Fire Department sign upgrade Barry Miller is requesting funds for an annual maintenance from the Village and the Town with a shared service agreement; the Fire Department has secured \$25,000 to upgrade to full color LED sign.

Life Trail Open House Wednesday, June 10th at 10:00 am at Hickory Park RSVP by June 1st.

JOINT Session ended at 7:59 pm

VILLAGE SESSION no agenda

REGULAR TOWN BOARD SESSION began at 8:00 pm

MINUTES: Councilman Stone made a motion to approve the May 12, 2015 minutes; seconded by Councilman VanValkenburg and it carried by a vote 5 -0.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Mercy EMS Report for April 2015

Notice from NYS Dept. of Taxation & Finance ORPTS, Re: Tentative Equalization Rate

Notice from Excellus, Re: Requested Premium Rate Change

REPORTS:

HIGHWAY/SOLID WASTE: Started summer hours 9 hr days with half day on Fridays. Oil and stone work in after school lets out; Town Clerk's mailbox installed - Assessor mail box and bike rack this week; Village resident (White) donated time to paint East Bergen Cemetery sign; Day of Caring help was appreciated.

ZEO/CEO: Liberty Pumps has started phase 3; Insurance Auto Auctions approved at planning board submitted plans for building and permit; open permits were reviewed.

COMMITTEES:

BUILDING COMMITTEE: Exterior Court Clerk window replacement was discussed with the Fire Department President Eric Wies and will be brought to their board.

HIGHWAY/PARKS COMMITTEE: nothing to report

OLD BUSINESS:

Web Hosting Nick Garofalo from Webozy will be attending the June 9th meeting

NEW BUSINESS:

Bergen Park Festival: All Town & Village Officials are welcome to march in parade lineup at 11:30 at the Fire Hall with the parade starting at noon on June 13th. Request for volunteers for trash duty at the park from 2:00 – 7:00.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, June 9, 2015 at 7:00 pm in the Courtroom with the audit of the bills at 6:45 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: *Councilman Haywood made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 8:24 pm to discuss security issue and position appointment with Town Clerk in attendance; seconded by Councilwoman Grant and it carried by a vote 5-0. Councilman Haywood made a motion to exit Executive Session at 9:02 pm; seconded by Councilwoman Grant and it carried by a vote 5 -0.*

Adjournment *at 9:03 pm on a motion by Councilman VanValkenburg; seconded by Councilman Haywood and it carried by a vote 5 -0.*

Respectfully submitted,

Michele M. Smith

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Town Clerk