

**Regular Town Board Meeting held June 9, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Hall**

**in Schroon Lake N.Y.**

**Present:**

**Town Supervisor:** Michael Marnell

**Councilpersons:** Roger Friedman, Meg Wood, Don Sage and Clara Phibbs

**Highway Superintendent:** Dana Shaughnessy

**Town Clerk:** Patricia Savarie

**Also Present:** Jay Phibbs, Albert May, Rosemarie Ritson, Michel Michelsen Lee, Anthony Ruiz, Steven Cass, Gail Simon, Linda and John Milsom, Skip and Fran Mahler, Shawn Baker, Lil Richardson, Bill and Kris Tribou, Sue and Glen Repko, Julie Sawyer, Bill and Ilene Sutfin, Sharon Piper, Bob and Jane Claus, Beth and Tabitha Champeau, Julia Pitkin Shantz, Chuck and Nancy Harste, Mark Whitney, Dan and Anna Hay, Rod Boula

Supervisor Marnell called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. with a salute to the Flag.

**Public Participation**

John Milsom stated he would like to thank the community and the Town for there help and support for the completion of the siding at the Community Church.

Sean Baker stated that he would like the Board to consider the Playground Project. It is not handicapped accessible and feels it is a worthy project to move forward with. I went out with a petition and got signatures supporting the project and many people wanted the spring rides left there.

Julia Pitkin Shantz stated she had gone to a meeting in Lake Placid for a Power Conference and found out there was many ways for municipality's to save money on energy. To change out there existing heating source to save energy and not rely on petroleum products. Private investors are trying to get these installations put into Towns. Solar panels could be used or convert to Bio mass which are subsidized. I have lots of contact information and I would like to know who would like to take this on either at the school or at the Town level. Supervisor Marnell stated that the Town had been looking into it and has spoken to several people about this.

**Resolution #111 Hire Lake Steward**

Councilman Friedman moved a resolution to hire Abigail Veverka as a Lake Steward at \$9.63 an hour, seconded by Councilman Sage; carried.

**Resolution #112 Amend Resolution #105 Replacement of Highway Truck**

Councilman Sage moved to amend Resolution #105 to state The Town Board Agrees to PURCHASE A 2015 INTERNATIONAL TRUCK OFF OF ONONDAGA CONTRACT #7823

TO BE FUNDED ;	
INSURANCE RECOVERY	\$159,100.00
SALE OF SALVAGE VEHICLE	\$ 15,900.00
HIGHWAY FUND BALANCE	\$ 11,857.00
TOTAL PURCHASE PRICE	\$186,857.00

seconded by Councilwoman Wood; carried.

**Resolution #113 Approving the Sale of Salvaged Highway Truck to the Town of Crown Point**

Councilman Sage moved a resolution to sell the salvaged Highway truck to the Town of Crown Point in the amount of \$15,900.00 , seconded by Councilwoman Wood; carried.

**Resolution #114 Budget Amendment**

Councilman Sage moved a resolution to approve a budget amendment , seconded by Councilwoman Wood; carried.

TO INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS DA0-960  
FROM APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE DA0-599 TO ACCOUNT FOR BALANCE DUE ON  
THE PURCHASE OF A NEW 2015 INTERNATIONAL TRUCK

Appropriated Fund Balance	DA0-599	\$11,857.00	
Appropriation	DA0-960		\$11,857.00

**Meeting to Coordinate 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade with Department Heads will be**

**June 16, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. At the Firehouse**

**Resolution #115 Congratulations In Memory of Ed Noxon**

Supervisor Marnell moved this resolution and was seconded unanimously; carried.

TOWN OF SCHROON

RESOLUTION OF CONGRATULATIONS

IN MEMORY OF

ED NOXON

DECLARING SATURDAY, JUNE 21, 2014 AS

ED NOXON DAY AT THE SCHROON LAKE GOLF COURSE

WHEREAS, Ed served honorably during World War II in the Marine Corps; and

WHEREAS, Ed joined the Schroon Lake Fire Department in 1946 and served for 67 years; and

WHEREAS, Ed was an outstanding and dedicated golfer at the Schroon Lake Golf Course playing well beyond his 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

NOW, THEREFORE. BE IT DECLARED, by the Schroon Lake Town Board that we congratulate Ed's Family for his outstanding service to his Country and Schroon Lake. He is missed and will be remebered for years to come.

**Resolution # 116 Approval of Minutes**

Councilwoman Phibbs moved a resolution to accept the minutes of May 5, 2014 at 6:00 P.M, seconded by Councilman Sage; carried.

**Resolution #117 Approve Hourly Rate for Temporary Aid for Court**

Councilwoman Phibbs moved to approve the hourly rate of \$13.73 for Jean Strothenke as Temporary Aid for Court, seconded by Councilwoman Wood; carried.

**Resolution #118 Approve Youth Commission Board Member**

Councilwoman Phibbs moved a resolution to approve Lori Slyman to the Board of the Schroom Lake Youth Commission, seconded by Councilwoman Wood; carried.

**Resolution #119 Audit of Claim**

Councilwoman Phibbs moved a resolution to pay the bills as reviewed, seconded by Councilman Friedman; carried.

General Fund \$54,487.63      Water \$ 633.05      Highway \$17,477.64      Sewer \$43,842.80

**Resolution #120 Accept Sand Bid**

Councilman Sage moved a resolution to accept the Sand bid from Berness Bolton Excavating Co. Inc. at \$3.70 per cubic yard, seconded by Councilwoman Wood; carried.

**Resolution #121 To Approve Surplus Equipment for Library**

Councilman Sage moved a resolution to declare two computers as surplus from the Library, a Dell Optiplex 360 and a Dell Optiplex 330, seconded by Councilwoman Phibbs; carried.

**Resolution #122 To sign Youth Commission Grant for Creating Healthy Places**

Councilman Friedman moved a resolution to sign the Youth Commission Grant for Creating Healthy Places in the amount of \$1500.00 to be used to purchase materials and supplies for implementing a garden at the school, seconded by Councilwoman Wood; carried.

**Resolution #123 Appoint Lifeguards for 2014**

Councilwoman Phibbs moved a resolution to hire the 2014 Lifeguards, seconded by Councilman Sage; carried.

**Lifeguards 2014;**

Returning;

MaryEllen Krah - Head Lifeguard                      \$10.98

Noah Gath	- Assistant Lifeguard	\$ 9.73
Anna Krah	- Lifeguard	\$ 10.33
Samuel Foote	- Lifeguard	\$ 9.33
Nathan Wilson	- Lifeguard	\$9.33
Lucas Wilson	- Lifeguard	\$9.33 ( covers North Hudson also)
Daniel Wilson	- Lifeguard	\$9.33 (covers North Hudson also)
New;		
Morgan Yarosh	- Lifeguard	\$9.33
Abigail Carpenter	- Lifeguard	\$9.33

**Discussion on Renovation and Rental of Parks Building**

Councilman Sage moved to **table** the discussion until there was more information from Hospice who may want to lease it for three years, seconded by Councilwoman Phibbs; carried.

**Approval to Repair Old Firehouse Roof**

Supervisor Marnell stated there were some repairs that need to be done on the roof at the old firehouse roof. Councilwoman Wood moved to **table** the discussion until Supervisor Marnell can get some quotes for the repairs, seconded by Councilman Friedman; carried.

**Resolution #124 Request from Brian Smith for Charley Hill Speed Limit Change**

Councilwoman Wood moved a resolution to request from NYS DOT a speed change to lower the speed limit to 35 miles per hour on Charley Hill Road from the bridge to US route 9 on the south end of Charley Hill Road, seconded by Councilman Friedman; carried.

**Discuss Flag Poles on Main Street**

Supervisor Marnell stated that he would like to have the Board think about having some flags on Main Street set into the sidewalk, since the Flags get tangled up on the light poles.

**Resolution # 125 Approve Playground Equipment at Park**

Councilman Sage moved a resolution to approve a Pirate Ship and a handicap swing seat to be placed at the Town of Schroon Beach area, to be paid by a grant of \$5,000.00 from the Schroon Lake Chamber of Commerce, seconded unanimously; carried.

**Elizabethtown Hospital Annual Update**

Supervisor Marnell introduced Rod Boula from the Elizabethtown Hospital to give his annual report. Rod stated that this year they have increased Specialty Care and expanded their chemo services for maintenance treatment. The Hospital is also going to be rotating resident physicians from Vermont University for experience. Lab equipment has been all replaced with state of the art equipment and also the CT Unit. This year because of the recent changes in the affordable care act the numbers

are down for pulmonary rehabilitation because of high co-pays, patients are not doing as many treatments. We will be renovating the last piece of the hospital with more rooms so that they are all private rooms starting in 2015 and finishing in 2016. We have recruited two more primary care physicians. In 2013 we received the Guardian of Excellence Award by Press Ganey Associates, Inc. The Guardian of Excellence Award recognizes top-performing facilities that consistently achieved the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile of performance in patient satisfaction. The award was given to the hospital based on its emergency department patient satisfaction scores. We are happy to say once again that we are in the black again for 2013.

### **Discuss Consolidated Fund Application**

There was much discussion about the consolidated fund application. Councilwoman Phibbs moved to **Table** the discussion so that the Board had a chance to get more information and will meet Thursday, June 12, 2014 at 4:00 P.M. at the Town Hall for a Special Town Board Meeting, seconded by Councilman Sage; carried.

### **Resolution #126 Spray for Misquote's**

Councilwoman Phibbs moved a resolution to accept Adirondax Service for Roadside Mosquito Spraying 2014. Initial set-up fee is \$1200.00 Rate charge for conducting spray operations is \$135.00 an hour, seconded by Councilwoman Wood; carried

### **Board Comments**

Supervisor Marnell stated that he would like to purchase a Moby Mat for the beach which will allow handicapped people to access the Lake without going through the sand. The cost would be \$5,000.00. Councilman Sage moved to **Table** this until they have more information and they can discuss this at the June 12, 2014 Special Town Board Meeting, seconded by Councilwoman Phibbs; carried. Supervisor Marnell stated that DOT would start work on Route 9 tomorrow.

Councilman Sage stated that the Letsonville Bridge will be out by mid July for repairs.

### **Public Participation**

Bob Claus stated he would like the Town to look into a digital speed sign for both ends of town. Bob also stated that he supports the Consolidated Fund Application.

Julia Shantz Pitkin stated that the timing of the grant application was just absolutely horrible and that many volunteer's worked as fast as they could to get it done. There was much discussion.

Steve Cass stated that he likes the idea of a Moby Mat for the handicapped.

Tabitha Champeau also stated that she works with handicapped people and believes it would benefit the Town, as families look for destinations that are handicapped accessible.

Shawn Baker thanked the Board for approving the playground equipment but still would like to see more put in.

Dan Hay stated that he would like to see the spring rides put back in for the smaller children and also thinks the Moby Mat would be beneficial to the Town.

Councilwoman Wood moved to adjourn at 8:32 P.M., seconded by Councilman Sage; carried.

I, Patricia J. Savarie, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct transcript from the minutes now on file in my office and of the whole such original minutes.

Dated: June 11, 2014 \_\_\_\_\_  
Town Clerk