

**Town Board Meeting held May 14, 2018 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Hall in Schroon Lake N.Y.**

**Present:**

**Town Supervisor:** Michael Marnell

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

**Town Clerk:** Patricia Savarie

**Also Present:** Albert May, Skip and Fran Mahler, Marcia Hartnett, Loris Clark,  
Lorraine Altmann, Ethan Thompson, Deb and Dan Gorke

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

**Public Participation**

Lorraine Altmann stated she would like to see the Town hire Alexie Subra for 40 hours a week doing the Town flower beds. The Board stated it was not in the budget and to come see them at Budget time this fall. Supervisor Marnell would like to see her work 20 hours a week doing the flower beds and 20 hours a week at the Boat Wash station.

Loris Clark stated that the Lantern Tour was a big hit when the Historical Society did it for the Big Read through the school program. We would like to do it two more times in the summer and make up a brochure for people to do on their own. I would like to thank the Board for all their help and support they give the Historical Society.

Dan Gorke stated he would like the Town to send a letter to Laura DiBetta who is a special assistant to the Commissioner for outdoor recreation for DEC asking for help to rebuild the Paradox Lake Campsite Boat Launch. In August of 2017 there was an article in the Conservationist stating that the state will have funding of \$50 million dollars to upgrade campgrounds and rebuild boat launches. The Boat launch on Paradox is in bad shape and needs a lot of work. Supervisor Marnell will write a letter asking for help.

**Resolution # 106 Approval of Minutes**

Councilman Sage moved a resolution to approve the minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held April 9, 2018 at 6:00 P.M. and the Special Town Board held April 17, 2018 at 1:00 P.M. seconded by Councilwoman Phibbs; carried.

**Resolution #107 Audit of Claim**

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

General Fund \$17,618.44 Sewer \$14,795.14 Water \$7,540.01 Highway \$45,376.10

**Resolution #108 Establish Rates at the Landfill**

Councilwoman Wood moved a resolution to establish rates at the landfill, seconded by Councilman Friedman; carried.

Garbage and C&D	\$ .10/pound
Refrigerators	\$15.00
Electronics and Components	\$.25/pound
Tires- Regular 14”-20”	\$3.00/tire
Large Tires	\$25.00/tire

**Resolution #109 Establish Maximum Cost of the Hockey Rink Project**

Councilman Friedman moved a resolution to establish the maximum cost of the Hockey Rink Project, seconded by Councilman Sage; carried.

Material For Roof	\$44,099.00	
Construction, labor and Materials	\$99,300.00	
15% contingent	\$25,510.00	
Lights	\$3,000.00	
Total Maximum Cost		\$167,909.00

**Funding for project;**

Town of Schroon *	\$83,954.50
Grant proceed	\$83,954.50
2018 Budget	\$15,000.00
In Kind Service	\$ 6,000.00
Appropriate Fund Balance	\$ 64,454.50

**Resolution #110 Prescription Drug Policy for 65+**

Councilwoman Phibbs moved a resolution to have all new employees hired after January 1, 2016 pay 10% of their retirement 65+ Prescription Drug policy and anyone hired before January 1, 2016 will be grandfather cloused in and will be put into the Employee Handbook, seconded by Councilman Friedman; carried.

**Resolution #111 Approve Screened Sand from Berness Bolton Exc.**

Councilwoman Phibbs moved a resolution to accept the Sand Quote for \$3.70 per yard with Berness Bolton Exc. Co. Inc., seconded by Councilman Friedman; carried.

**Resolution #112 Establish Golf Course Fees and Hours for 2018**

Councilwoman Phibbs moved a resolution to establish Golf Course Fees and Hours for 2018, seconded by Councilman Wood; carried.

2018 Opening May 19<sup>th</sup> (9-5) through June 22  
June 23 (7-7) through September 3

Sept. 4 (9-5) through October 15th

**2018 Fees:**

High School Students, College Students, 80+ Seniors and Employees \$75.00/season

Membership for season Single -\$325.00 Couples \$600.00

Trail Fee - \$100.00 for member for season( option to pay \$10.00 per day)

Trail Fee - Non-member \$10.00/day

Golf Club Rental \$10.00

Cart fees for 9 Holes \$9.00/pp

Cart fees for 18 Holes \$13.00/pp

no carts available to rent after 5 pm.

Green Fees - 9 Holes \$15.00 18 Holes \$21.00

Lockers \$20.00

Pull Carts \$2.00

Evening hours ( after 7 P.M.) \$5.00

Tournament for 18 holes \$10.00 and Cart Fees \$10.00 for everyone

League fees \$7.00 for non members

Golf Club Rangers;

Dave Valentine

Tom Ringrose

Phil McCoy

Fees for merchandise Golf Course 2018;

Candy Bars \$2.00

Cereals Bars \$1.00

Peanuts \$3.00

Hot dog \$2.00 add chips \$3.00

Hamburger \$3.00 add Chips \$4.00

Promotional 100 year merchandise

Golf Towels \$12.00

Golf Shirts \$26.00

Sweatshirts \$24.00

Fleece vest \$42.00

Mugs \$11.00

Caps \$15.00

**Resolution #113 Appropriate Funds for the Town Hall Project**

Councilman Sage moved a resolution to appropriate funds for the Town Hall Project, seconded by Councilman Friedman; carried.

Transfer \$65,200.00 to cover expenses in the Town Hall Project.

Due/to the General fund - \$182,354.69

Receivable from Library-(\$88,208.38)

Projected overage - \$94,146.31

Note: \$79,154.69 was the amount paid to SD Atilier prior to the start of project.  
The balance of **\$14,991.62** is that actual overage from construction.

**Resolution #114 Appoint Matthew Curren Committee Chairperson for the Revolving Loan Fund**

Councilman Friedman moved a resolution to appoint Matthew Curren as Chairperson for the Revolving Loan Fund Committee, seconded by Councilwoman Wood; carried.

**Resolution #115 Appoint Seasonal Employees**

Councilwoman Wood moved a resolution to appoint seasonal employees, seconded by Councilman Sage; carried.

**Golf Course**

Jamie Vietch – Golf Course Superintendent \$19.05/hr  
John Swinton – Laborer- \$14.30/hr  
Alex Shaughnessy – Laborer- \$13.30/hr  
George Pospisil – Laborer - \$13.30/hr  
Joe Branigan – Laborer - \$14.30/hr

**Club House Attendants**

Laurie Bruce - \$11.08/hr  
Brad Dezalia - \$11.08/hr  
Tom Erikson- \$11.08/hr  
Deanne Bowen- \$11.08/hr  
Kathy Riggins - \$11.08/hr  
Senior Club House Attendant - Mel Torsiello \$12.13/hr.

**Lake Stewards**

Harrison Gereau- \$11.08/hr  
Abigail Wisser- \$11.08/hr  
Savannah Crammond-\$11.08/hr  
McKenzie Bertch (paid by Paul Smith's)  
Michael Foote - \$11.08/hr  
Cole Plumstead - \$11.08/hr  
Mary Senecal- \$11.08/hr  
Molly Wisser - \$11.08/hr

**Boatwash**

Tanner Stone - \$11.08/hr  
Joe Demaniow - \$11.08/hr  
Alexie Subra - \$11.08/hr

**Laborer for Golf Course/Cemetery/Landfill**

Brandon Hall - \$11.08/hr

**Resolution #116 Approve Post Closure Monitoring Landfill**

Councilwoman Wood moved a resolution authorizing the Supervisor to sign the Landfill Post-Closure Contract with Adirondack Landfill Services which will compile a database with all previous historic data, complete a variance application package for submit-tel to NYSDEC to reduce sampling frequency, once per year, the total cost will be \$2433.00, seconded by Councilwoman Phibbs; carried.

**Resolution #117 For Town Website Security**

Councilman Sage moved a resolution to authorize the Town Website to be recognized as a secure website and to buy a certificate, the cost will be \$99.00/year and then apply it and keep it updated each year, seconded by Councilwoman Phibbs; carried

**Resolution #118 Sign the TMC Contract for Golf Course and Park**

Councilman Friedman moved a resolution to approve the Turf Fertilization Program with Turf Management Company Inc. for the Parks in the amount of \$2621.76 and the Golf Course for \$10,038.39 and \$2,700.00 for treating Fairway Roughs and Tee Areas, seconded by Councilman Sage; carried.

**Resolution #119 Approve Water Tap for Stewarts**

Councilman Friedman moved a resolution to approve a water tap at 7 Dock Street with a new one inch corporation and install a new service shutoff, seconded by Councilwoman Wood; carried.

**Resolution #120 Approve Water Tap for 33 Skylark Lane**

Councilman Friedman moved a resolution to approve a water tap at 33 Skylark Lane, seconded by Councilwoman Wood; carried.

**Resolution #121 Approve Cost of Wall Repair from Water Break for \$400.00**

Councilwoman Wood moved a resolution to approve repairs to a wall at 980 US Route 9, Daniel Sullivan, due to a water break in the amount of \$400.00, seconded by Councilwoman Phibbs; carried.

**Resolution #122 Approve Mike McKee for Mowing Cemetery's**

Councilwoman Wood moved a resolution to hire Mike McKee to mow the Severance Cemetery and Protestant Cemetery at the rate of \$3500.00 for the season, seconded by Councilwoman Phibbs; carried. ( Councilman Sage – abstained)

**Resolution #123 Approve Purchase of Highway Truck on State Contract**

Councilman Sage moved a resolution to purchase a 2019 International HV513 SFA for the Highway Garage in the amount of \$125,526.28, seconded by Councilwoman Phibbs; carried.

**Resolution #124 Accept Quarterly Codes Report**

Councilwoman Wood moved a resolution to approve the Quarterly Report for Zoning/Building Fire Codes Department, seconded by Councilwoman Phibbs; carried.

**Quotes received for SCADA System Upgrades**

The wastewater plant is currently in need of an upgrade to the 10 year old computer controlled SCADA (Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition) system at the plant. The SCADA system is essential for controlling the quality of our wastewater treatment process. New computers and their associated hardware, software licenses, and programming needs will be included in the upgrade. The 10 year old computers that run the system are quickly becoming unreliable, freezing up then randomly shutting down, resulting in a lack of control over our process adjustments at the plant. The system is set up using Wonderware, a software program that allows customizable automation programs like our

SCADA system to be built. Our current license for the Wonderware software is on a version that is no longer supported by the manufacturer and is only compatible with Windows XP or older operating systems. We will need to update the software to a newer version, requiring us to purchase a new license for the software.

The plant has been working with Avanti Control Systems over the past 5 years to replace outdated variable frequency drives (VFD's) and resolve some of the SCADA programming issues associated with those drives. We are very satisfied with the quality of work and service provided by Avanti Control Systems. To date we have contacted four different companies (General Control Services, Aqualogics, Avanti Control Systems, and Goosetown Controls) requesting quotes to upgrade the SCADA system. Avanti Control Systems is the only company that has provided us with a quote. The other companies state that they are either too far away from Schroon Lake to work here or that they will get back to us in two weeks. After waiting several weeks to follow up with the companies they reply that it will take two weeks to get back to us, which suggests that they are not interested in the work at all.

The town could place an add in the paper requesting quotes for our SCADA system upgrades, but it is unlikely that it will get a response unless the upgrades have specs that are written up by an electrical engineer. Bringing an engineer in could cost as much as \$10,000 in addition to the upgrades themselves.

Larger wastewater plants with more extensive programming needs usually sign on to a service contract with one of the companies we requested quotes from. A similar contract for our plant would include the quotes on upgrading and associated labor, but they are an estimated \$30,000 per year. We really do not need this type of service contract since our SCADA system upgrades only need to happen every 8 to 10 years.

Given the situation described in this letter I would like the Town Board's approval to accept the quote we were given from Avanti Control Systems and move forward with scheduling the work.

#### **Resolution #125 Avanti Control System Specialized Computer Hardware and Software**

Councilman Sage moved a resolution to accept the quote from Avanti Control System for Specialized Hardware and Software in the amount of \$6741.00, seconded by Councilwoman Wood; carried.

#### **Resolution #126 Avanti Control System Specialized Computer Hardware and Software**

Councilman Sage moved a resolution to accept the quote from Avanti Control System for Specialized Hardware and Software in the amount of \$9600.00, seconded by Councilwoman Wood; carried.

#### **Resolution #127 Avanti Control System Specialized Computer Hardware and Software**

Councilman Sage moved a resolution to accept the quote from Avanti Control System for Specialized Hardware and Software in the amount of \$7841.00, seconded by Councilwoman Wood; carried.

#### **Resolution #128 Lawn Mower for Golf Course**

Councilman Sage moved a resolution to purchase a Greens King IV Plus 18 hp Vanguard Gas Engine lawn mower for the Golf Course on State Contract for a payment of \$4,542.00 annually for five years, seconded by Councilwoman Phibbs; carried.

**Resolution # 129 To Approve Highway Chips Expenditures**

Councilman Sage moved a resolution to agree to spend Highway Funds in the sum of \$179,719.46 for general repairs upon 64.6 miles of town highways, including sluices, culverts and bridges having a span of less than five feet and boardwalks or the renewals thereof. On the road commencing at Crane Pond Road and leading to Adirondack Road a distance of 6/10 mile, there shall be expanded not over the sum of \$43,000.00. On the road commencing at Davis Road and leading to US Route 9 a distance of 5/10 mile, there shall be expanded not over the sum of \$29,000.00, On the road commencing at Adirondack Road and leading to the Town line in Warren County a distance of 1.5 mile, there shall be expanded not over the sum of \$107,000.00, seconded by Councilman Friedman; carried.

**Resolution #130 Accept Library Report**

Councilman Friedman moved a resolution to accept the Schroon Lake Library Report, seconded by Councilman Sage; carried.

Councilwoman Wood made a motion to adjourn at 7:57 P.M., seconded by Councilman Friedman; 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: May 18, 2018 \_\_\_\_\_

**Town Clerk**