

**PUTNAM VALLEY TOWN BOARD**  
**PUBLIC HEARING – TINKER HILL ROAD LOCAL LAW**  
**6:00 P.M.**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 08, 2018**

**IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING:**

**PUTNAM VALLEY TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION**

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Continued discussion about the sunset provision for construction permits.
3. Continued discussion about snow districts
4. Reminders about: Cell Tower Vote 8/21 noon until 8 PM, Town Day 9/15, 2-9 PM and Camp Vote 11/6, 6AM to 9 PM
5. Request to waive fees for a Town of Putnam Valley wetlands permit waiver
6. Request the Town Board accept the bid for an F-350 pickup.

**PUTNAM VALLEY**  
**TOWN BOARD MEETING**  
**PUBLIC HEARING**  
**6:00 P.M**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 08, 2018**

Present: Supervisor Oliverio  
Councilwoman Whetsel  
Councilwoman Annabi  
Councilman Mackay  
Councilman Luongo

Also Present: Sherry Howard, Town Clerk  
William Florence, Town Attorney

Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence for our armed forces.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON WEIGHT RESTRICTION OF COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC ON  
TINKER HILL ROAD**

Presented by Supervisor Oliverio

Supervisor Oliverio said this Public Hearing is to discuss weight restrictions of commercial traffic on Tinker Hill Road.

Paul Romanych, who lives at the very bottom of Tinker Hill Road, spoke at the podium. He said he and his wife have seen a lot of accidents in the eight (8) years that they have lived there. He thanked the Board for proposing this law. After the last accident he set up a trail camera to take photos of overweight vehicles that are using the road. He gave the photos to the Town Board to keep. The Board looked at the pictures and saw commercial vehicles which did not belong on such a curvy, steep road as Tinker Hill - which has signs clearly stating there is a five (5) ton limit. Mr. Romanych's camera was able to capture license plate numbers and other identifying information on these vehicles. Supervisor Oliverio asked him to please keep this camera in place after the law is passed. It will help with enforcing the new law. Attorney Florence said these photos show why this law is being created. Councilperson Annabi stated that Deputy Highway Superintendent Joseph Hertelendy was the one who saw the need for this change in statute due to the amount of accidents on the road. Councilperson Luongo said that Emergency Services does not allow ambulances or fire trucks on that road unless the call is for that road. No apparatus is allowed to go up or down Tinker Hill. Mr. Romanych asked about the enforcement. A law is nothing without its teeth. Supervisor Oliverio said the Sheriff's Department is spread throughout the whole County so they could not put a patrol car to sit up on both sides of the hill and watch. He added that if a

resident sees a commercial vehicle and can get the license plate number - that's all we need. We can call the Company and tell them they are on the list and we can let the Sheriff's Department know as well. Councilperson Mackay said we will let the Sheriff's Department know that this is a new Town Law and they will be on the lookout - and if they see it they will stop it. Commercial vehicles will no longer be able to use Tinker Hill as a shortcut. Mr. Romanych then asked about local deliveries. A driver could still use the local deliveries section of the new law as an excuse to use a large truck rather than a small one. What can be done about that other than making it a one-way road? Supervisor Oliverio said they did that years ago on Lovers Lane and we can look into this if the new law does not work out the way we want it to. Making it a one-way road would require a Public Hearing. Attorney Florence said the Town Board does have a right to do that if they want to.

As there was no other public comment, Supervisor Oliverio moved to close the Public Hearing at 6:13 PM.

It was seconded by Councilperson Mackay and was unanimously carried.

**PUTNAM VALLEY TOWN BOARD**  
**WORK SESSION**  
**6:08 P.M.**  
**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11, 2018**

Present: Supervisor Oliverio  
Councilwoman Whetsel  
Councilwoman Annabi  
Councilman Mackay  
Councilman Luongo

Also Present: Sherry Howard, Town Clerk  
William Florence, Town Attorney

**AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

Presented by Supervisor Oliverio

**RESOLUTION # R18-244**

**RESOLVED** that the Town Board **ADD** to the agenda:

#7 – Resolution regarding parking for the Lake Peekskill Tag Sale on September 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

#8 – Authorize Supervisor to sign the contract with Hudson Valley Appraisal Corporation for a full appraisal of the CYO Camp Property.

Seconded by Councilperson Mackay, unanimously carried

**CONTINUED DISCUSSION ABOUT THE SUNSET PROVISION FOR CONSTRUCTION PERMITS**

Presented by Supervisor Oliverio

Supervisor Oliverio said this was brought up last week and it is important that we do something about this since some of these permits have been going on in excess of ten (10) years. We put out a few of options. One (1) was after renewing three (3) times you need to just stop; or Councilperson Luongo's suggestion which is to they show proof they are making progress and then they can renew it; or three (3) we leave it just as it is. Councilperson Mackay likes Councilperson Luongo's suggestion; but he would like to hear from the Building Department. Supervisor Oliverio said the Building Department

likes the idea of showing proof. Councilperson Luongo said if they can show proof that they are having a hardship that's okay too, but in some cases it's easier and cheaper to renew the permit than having the work done so they put it off. You can do this for 20 years now if you want to. Attorney Florence will work on this. He asked if the Town Board would consider having the resident make a reapplication so the building department could examine the project; and number two (2) have there been any changes in the regulations that would apply now, so you are not allowing for former regulations to grandfather you out of a safety circumstance. Supervisor Oliverio said a building permit lasts for two (2) years, so they should be able to renew three (3) times, and then they should have to reapply because a lot of things change within a five (5) year span. Councilperson Luongo thinks this is a good idea, but would like to check with the Building Inspector.

### **CONTINUED DISCUSSION ABOUT SNOW DISTRICTS**

Presented by Supervisor Oliverio

Supervisor Oliverio asked Councilpersons Mackay and Luongo if there has been any progress on the snow districts where they live? Nothing has happened as of yet in either district. Attorney Florence suggested they ask the public for input. Supervisor Oliverio then explained this concept. He expounded that this would apply only to people who live on private roads. A snow district would be created, a bid will go out for someone to plow, and the cost for this will be added onto their taxes. A petition must be signed with  $\frac{1}{2}$  plus one (1) of families in each District (a majority). The Board could not move forward with this until a petition is signed. Councilperson Luongo said the amount owed would be divided up equally amongst each home; it would not be based on the worth of the house.

### **TOWN SHUTTLE**

Presented by Councilperson Annabi

Councilperson Annabi said the Town Shuttle can take you from the Town Park to the Peekskill Train Station. It runs from Monday to Friday. Director of Transportation, Vincent Tamagna, came to our meeting last Wednesday. He said if there are any questions you can call him at 845-878-RIDE. There are residents in the Lake Peekskill area that are trying to figure out how to get to the Town Park to take the shuttle. If you call the 878-RIDE number they do make exceptions and can pick you up in that area. If there are enough riders they will make that a stop.

### **CONTINUED DISCUSSION ABOUT CELL TOWER VOTE**

Presented by Supervisor Oliverio

Supervisor Oliverio reminded everyone that on Tuesday, August 21, 2018 in the Putnam Valley Courtroom from noon to 8 PM there is a vote on leasing a piece of Town property behind the Highway Department to Homeland Towers, LLC to erect a cell tower for increased communications. Please come out to vote. Councilperson Annabi said if you need an absentee ballot please call the Town Clerks office at 845-526-3280.

### **TOWN DAY**

Presented by Councilperson Annabi

Councilperson Annabi said that applications for Town Day have been coming in left and right. The electric lines are almost all taken so please get your applications in as soon as possible. We have great bands coming as well as classic cars. This is open to both profit and non-profit vendors and you don't have to be from Putnam Valley to be a vendor. Please call Beverly at 845-526-2121 or email [annabipvtb@gmail.com](mailto:annabipvtb@gmail.com). It's September 15<sup>th</sup>, and please keep in mind the road will be closed from the VFW to the Elementary School for safety reasons. You can take the shuttle from the Elementary School or you can walk.

### **CAMP VOTE**

Presented by Councilperson Luongo

Councilperson Luongo said the vote will be on Election Day in November at your regular polling place and you will find it on the back of the ballot. This vote is for the acquisition of the summer camp.

### **REQUEST TO WAIVE FEES FOR A TOWN OF PUTNAM VALLEY WETLANDS PERMIT WAIVER**

Presented by Councilperson Whetsel

### **RESOLUTION # R18-245**

**RESOLVED** that the Town Board waive the fees for a Town of Putnam Valley wetland permit waiver to transplant pickerel weed from an area upstream of the grass carp barrier (20 West Shore Road) to other areas around Roaring Brook Lake. The proposed locations are: The base of Spur Beach peninsula, Taconic Parkway storm water inlets, and both sides of the Park Beach peninsula.

Seconded by Councilperson Mackay, unanimously carried.

### **REQUEST THE TOWN BOARD ACCEPT THE BID FOR AN F-350 PICK-UP.**

Presented by Councilperson Mackay

**RESOLUTION # R18-246**

**RESOLVED** that the Town Board accept the bid for an F-350 Crew Cab pickup award it to: Park Ford of Mahopac, 276 Route 6, PO Box 870, Mahopac, NY 10541 in the amount of \$41,820.00.

Seconded by Councilperson Mackay, unanimously carried.

Councilperson Mackay said they are not going to get this truck for five (5) months, is there a way to expedite this? Supervisor Oliverio said this will be the primary vehicle and there is not much we can do.

**RESOLUTION REGARDING PARKING FOR LAKE PEEKSKILL TAG SALE ON SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup> AND 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2018.**

Presented by Councilperson Luongo

**RESOLUTION # R18-247**

**RESOLVED** that Town Board authorize the Supervisor to allow the Lake Drive/Morrissey Drive parking lot at Lake Peekskill to be used for the September 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> annual Lake Peekskill Tag Sale with the following stipulations: the handicap parking spaces cannot be used, and six (6) parking spots must remain open (along the back wall) for the dance studio.

Seconded by Councilperson Mackay, unanimously carried.

**AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN THE CONTRACT WITH HUDSON VALLEY APPRAISAL CORPORATION FOR A FULL APPRAISAL OF THE CYO PROPERTY**

Presented by Councilperson Annabi

**RESOLUTION #R18-248**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board authorize the Supervisor to sign the contract with Hudson Valley Appraisal Corporation for a full appraisal of the CYO property. The fee for this appraisal will be \$6,900.00. Any pre and post appraisal consultation will be billed at \$200.00 per hour.

Seconded by Councilperson Mackay, unanimously carried.

We did call other companies but this Company comes highly recommended and is used by the State of New York. Supervisor Oliverio said we have a prior appraisal but we want to have a newer one (1) so that it is presented to the public before the vote so you know exactly what that price is.

Supervisor Oliverio moved to go into Executive Session to discuss a contractual matter and a personnel matter. No further business will be conducted after the Executive Session. The meeting closed at 6:35 PM.

Seconded by Councilman Mackay, unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Howard  
Town Clerk  
08/13/2018