

PUTNAM VALLEY TOWN BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2018
6:00 PM

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Departmental Reports
3. Supervisor's Opening Comments
 - 3a. Certificate of appreciation to Loraine Ciallella
4. County Legislator Report
5. School Report
6. Authorize Supervisor to accept the Town Board Minutes from September 5th, September 12th, October 3rd and October 10th.
7. Appoint Dennis Berdecia as the carp fence cleaner at \$75.00 per cleaning.
8. Move to have Kat Diomede's hourly wage increased to \$13.50 effective 10-15-18.
9. Continued Discussion on Budget.
10. Adopt a resolution to participate in the NY State Deferred Compensation Plan.

DEPARTMENTS

Highway Department

11. Driveway Opening Permits for September 2018

Building Department

12. Daily Fee Summaries

Parks and Recreation

13. Personnel
14. Refunds

Districts

15. Barger Pond District Fee Waiver
16. Wildwood Knolls Facilities Revenue Report
17. Appoint Robert Chesnut to plow the five (5) fire lanes surrounding Roaring Brook Lake in 2019
18. Budget Transfers
19. Public Comment
20. Audit of Monthly Bills

PUTNAM VALLEY TOWN BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 17, 2018
6:00 PM

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

ALSO PRESENT: Town Clerk, Sherry Howard
Town Counsel, William Florence
Chief Financial Officer, Maria Angelico

Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence for our armed forces

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Presented by Councilperson Annabi

Fire Department Chief David Anderson reported on the Department's calls for the month of July 2018:

2 Dispatched and cancelled enroute
1 Standby/mutual aid
1 rescue
1 CO Detector
11 PIAA's
6 Wires Down
6 Automatic Alarms
3 EMS Assists

31 calls for the month – 2806.27 man hours. Chief Anderson thanked the men and women that come out and do this hard job month in and month out. Supervisor Oliverio complimented Mr. Anderson and the entire Fire Department for the great job they did at their Open House and their presentation at the Elementary School.

Gretchen Weiglein, Director of the Putnam Valley Historical Society spoke next. She announced that the Historical Society recently had their annual meeting which was combined with the monthly "Our American History" Lecture Series. The speaker was Lou Del Bianco whose grandfather was the chief carver of Mount Rushmore. It was fantastic and we would like to do that again next year. The next event, which is our Halloween presentation, is being held next Wednesday at the Little School House.

Local author, Vincent Dacquino, will be there to talk about Sybill Ludington and other local figures. Our next lecture is being held on November 10th. It is entitled, "America in the Great War"; and our Holiday Boutique will be held on the first two (2) weekends in December. We are looking for local vendors, and hope to see you there.

Shawn Keeler spoke about the "Keeler Christmas Light Display". He invited the community to his families Christmas light display this year - which begins at 6:00 PM on November 24th located at 16 Luigi Road. There will also be fireworks. This year he was able to get a fife and drum marching band out of Carmel to add to the festivities. Luigi Road is narrow so unless you are handicapped, please park at the German American Club and take one of the two shuttle buses which will be provided. If you cannot make it the lights will be on from 5:00 PM to 10:00 PM thereafter. Councilperson Annabi thanked Mr. Keeler for what he does and acknowledged how much love he has for what he does. You can go on Facebook and get all the information on - Keeler Christmas light display.

Councilperson Whetsel said that she is a member of the Commission for the Conservation of the Environment. She said that they have partnered with the DEC and the Hudson Highlands Land Trust to create a mapping project called the Natural Resource Inventory update. They were able to take all the mapping done in 2007 for the Town's Masterplan and update it. They also added additional maps as well. They were able to map waterways, deep slopes, flood plains etc.; in fact 16 different maps were created and updated. These maps help in preserving our natural resources, and will be for use by the Planning and Zoning Boards. They are also free for the public to view as well. Please join us on October 24th in Town Hall at 6:00 PM to see and hear our presentation.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Presented by Supervisor Oliverio

RESOLUTION #R18-292

RESOLVED that the Town Board **Add** the following to the agenda:

- #3A – Present Certificate of Appreciation to Loraine Ciallella
- #10A - Approve the CSEA holiday calendar

Seconded by Councilperson Mackay unanimously carried

SUPERVISOR'S OPENING COMMENTS

Presented by Supervisor Oliverio

Supervisor Oliverio complimented the Highway Department for the outstanding way they have stepped up with the Highway Superintendent in the hospital. Deputy Superintendent Hertelendy and his crew has carried on and moved on with the job in a professional manner.

There is a vote on Election Day, November 6th on the back of the regular ballot as to whether we should go out to bond for the purchase of 161 acres of property from the Archdiocese of New York for 1.9 million dollars. This is the property from which we have run our day camp for the past 14 years. There will be no tax increase as we are just rolling over a previous bond; and the money we are currently paying in rent will more than cover the cost of the bond payments. Please go out and vote on Election Day.

CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO LORAINNE CIALLELLA

Presented by Councilperson Annabi

Councilperson Annabi said that for 30 some odd years we have had Lorraine Ciallella, who is a very special person, working for the Town. She has been working out of the Putnam Valley Senior Center where she started out as a bus driver. Ms. Ciallella will be retiring at the end of the month. She takes good care of everyone and gives them all a lot of love. She will be truly missed. She and her husband Jimmy are childhood sweethearts, with two (2) sons and five (5) grandchildren, and I am lucky enough to get to see her every day. We will all miss you very much. Ms. Ciallella thanked everyone, and said she will be back at Senior Center as a participant this time. She also said that she is leaving the place in good hands with her co-workers Michele DiMarco and Kathleen Gallagher. She said she has been at the Center long enough to have worked with two generations of families and has been grateful and proud of the work she has gotten to do. Supervisor Oliverio told Lorraine that she has done outstanding work and he also thanked her.

COUNTY LEGISLATOR REPORT

Presented by Supervisor Oliverio

County Legislator Gouldman was unable to be at the meeting tonight. Legislator Scuccimarra came up to the podium and thanked the Town Board and Dr. Wills on the help they gave her on the T-21 initiative, which she was able to get passed. This law raises the legal age to legally buy cigarettes and vaping products until 21 years of age in Putnam County. It took a long time, and a lot of help to get this law through. She is working with the Health Department on the implementation. County Legislator Scuccimarra stated that the only challenge right now is the idea that the Governor is considering making marijuana use legal. Medical marijuana is a different story.

Drugs today are not like drugs years ago. Supervisor Oliverio said there is a local person who wants to open a vape shop in Town. Supervisor Oliverio is going to ask the Town Board to put a moratorium on this when it happens like Carmel did, so the issue can be studied. You cannot stop them but you can put restrictions on their location. Councilperson Mackay thanked County Legislator Scuccimarra for all her hard work on this law. He acknowledged how much work she put into this to finally get it passed. He and Supervisor Oliverio are on the committee, Communities that Care so they know how important this is. He knows she had a hard time with her colleagues getting this through. Councilperson Annabi asked if the T-21 law required stores to register. County Legislator Scuccimarra said no, they took that out of the law, but then at the last minute they decided to put it back in. We just want to know where they are – there will be no charge to register.

County Legislator Scuccimarra spoke on behalf of County Legislator Gouldman and said that ridership on the shuttle is still very low. They are hoping that ridership will pick up. We need young people to realize how cost saving this is. Councilperson Annabi said she hopes a lot of people will use it during the holiday season. She added that perhaps a later bus will help because some people leave the City later. County Legislator Scuccimarra said we can sit with Transportation Director Vinny Tamagna and tweak the schedule. She is trying to establish a Park and Ride on Route 9 which would have a Leprechaun Bus travel to White Plains, as that commute is awful for drivers.

Please take advantage of Hudson Valley Restaurant Week which is October 29-November 11th.

The Putnam County Department of Health is offering another flu clinic from 2:00 to 6:30 PM at the Carmel Fire Department. It is for Putnam residents ages 18 years or older. The cost is \$25.00; if you are 65 years old or over the cost is free. It is very important to get your flu shot - especially if you are 65 or older.

The Legislature has been working on their budget – you can take a look at it on line. If you look you will see that 73% of the budget is State mandates and there is no mandate relief.

Resident Patty Villanova commented on the T-21 program. She said that she has read some very good studies that have found when young people have no access to legal products such as tobacco they turn to other substances such as heroin which is cheap and easy to get. As you make it harder for young teenagers to get tobacco it actually increases the use of opioids or hard drugs. You cannot stop young people from experimenting – that's just the way it is. Street drugs are much more dangerous because of what can be in them (such as fentanyl), than beer and cigarettes. She has personal and family experience with this issue. Ms. Villanova will send County Legislator Scuccimarra the information and the studies she has read.

SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORT

Presented by Councilperson Mackay

Councilman Mackay said October 29th begins High School Spirit Week. The School Referendum vote is on December 4th from 6 AM – 9 PM at the Elementary School. It is for a 15 million dollar bond for improvements to the Middle School and an indoor field house. Take a look - the information is out there. Check out their website - putnamvalleyschools.org.

The BOCES program located in Yorktown Heights is hosting monthly tours for parents to learn about what is being offered at the Tech Center. They next ones are being held on November 20th and December 1th from 8:15 AM to 9:45 AM. BOCES has more than 40 different programs. There is culinary program and a Vet-Tech program being run at Tilly Foster Farm. If you are interested please call Geraldine Gilmore at 914-248-3676 or email her at ggilmore@pnwboces.org.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Presented by Councilperson Luongo

RESOLUTION #R18-293

RESOLVED that the Town Board authorize the Supervisor to approve the minutes from the September 5th, September 12th, October 3rd and October 10th Town Board Meetings.

Seconded by Councilperson Annabi, unanimously carried.

APPOINT DENNIS BERDECIA AS THE CARP FENCE CLEANER

Presented by Councilperson Annabi

RESOLUTION #R18-294

RESOLVED that the Town Board authorize the Town Supervisor appoint Dennis Berdecia as the carp fence cleaner at \$75.00 per cleaning.

Seconded by Supervisor Oliverio for discussion. Supervisor Oliverio said that he would like to thank Sam Lee who did a great job and is the current carp fence cleaner. He can no longer do it, but is training Mr. Berdecia who will be taking over the job. If the carp fence is not kept clean there is flooding in the Children's Beach area of Roaring Brook – so it is very important.

Supervisor Oliverio seconded and the Resolution is unanimously carried.

MOVE TO HAVE KAT DIOMEDE'S HOURLY WAGE RAISED

Presented by Councilperson Whetsel

RESOLUTION #R18-295

RESOLVED that the Town Board authorize the Supervisor to raise the salary of Katherine Diomede who is a permanent part-time employee in the Town Clerk's Office to \$13.50 per hour with no benefits. She has been employed here for five (5) years and is an Official Registrar.

Seconded by Councilperson Mackay unanimously carried

CONTINUED DISCUSSION OF BUDGET

Presented by Supervisor Oliverio

Supervisor Oliverio said at this point the Budget is down to 2.8% but we would like to get it lower. There is a Public Hearing on November 7th. Right now with the percentage as it stands – if you have a home worth \$300,000.00 your taxes will go up around \$21.00 a year. Councilperson Annabi asked Ms. Angelico to look at a couple of things for her to see if they can be lowered. One (1) is the Town Board Contractual Line - can this line be decreased. The other is a line in the Building Department Budget for \$10,000.00. Chief Financial Officer Angelico responded that she has spoken to Building Inspector Richard Quaglietta and he explained that his Department did not purchase their new scanner and equipment, they are leasing it. She added that this is the most fiscally responsible way to do this as the technology changes so quickly. Supervisor Oliverio added that the company we are leasing from is also responsible for any repairs this way as well. Ms. Angelico added that specialized equipment requires specialized materials. The \$10,000.00 covers training, equipment, software updates etc. it's the cost of the whole package. Councilperson Annabi asked if the whole \$10,000.00 is necessary, maybe we can take a closer look at that line. She believes if they have already been trained; there is no need for money in the budget for training. Ms. Angelico will look into that. Supervisor Oliverio said he believes we have cut everything we can and we have even taken \$60,000.00 from the Fund Balance. He requested that Ms. Angelico ask Mr. Quaglietta to break down exactly what the \$10,000.00 is for. Councilperson Annabi said we will be getting the \$60,000.00 back from the mortgage tax money the Town will receive. Supervisor Oliverio said we can also be frugal and spend \$30,000.00 less money during the course of next year and hope to get \$30,000.00 more in revenue to make up for that money as well. Ms. Angelico said to get the budget down to 2% we would have to find an additional \$90,000.00 which does not seem possible. Councilman Mackay asked what we did with the camp money. Supervisor Oliverio said we did take the camp money out of the budget in the hope that the bond passes, if it does not we have to put it back in. If it does not pass, we will not be doing the bond so it's a wash either way.

**ADOPT RESOLUTION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NY STATE DEFERRED
COMPENSATION PLAN**

Presented by Councilperson Mackay

RESOLUTION #R18-296

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorize the Supervisor to participate in the NY State Deferred Compensation Plan.



(10)

SAM OLIVERIO
Supervisor

Town Board Members
JAQUELINE ANNABI, *Councilwoman*
LOUIE LUONGO, *Councilman*
STEVEN MACKAY, *Councilman*
WENDY WHETSEL, *Councilwoman*

Supervisor's Office
MARIA ANGELICO, *Finance Director*
SUSAN MANNO, *Facilities Manager*
BEVERLY KELLY, *Secretary to the Supervisor
and the Board*

RESOLUTION #R18-_____
October 17, 2018

**TOWN OF PUTNAM VALLEY Adoption Of
The State of New York Deferred Compensation Plan**

WHEREAS, The Town of Putnam Valley wishes to adopt the Deferred Compensation Plan for the Employees of the State of New York and Other Participating Public Jurisdictions (the "Plan") for the voluntary participation for all eligible employees; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Putnam Valley is a local public employer eligible to adopt the Plan pursuant to Section 5 of the State Finance Law;* and

WHEREAS, the Town of Putnam Valley has reviewed the Plan established in accordance with Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code and Section 5 of the State Finance Law of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Plan is to encourage employees to make and continue careers with the Town of Putnam Valley by providing eligible employees with a convenient and tax-favored method of saving on a regular and long-term basis and thereby provide for their retirement;

* A local public employer eligible to adopt the Plan pursuant to Section 5 of the State Finance Law includes: a county, city, town, village or other political subdivision as defined in Section 131 of the retirement and Social Security law or civil division of the State; a school district or other governmental entity operating a public school, college or university; a public improvement or special district, a public authority, commission, or public benefit corporation; or any other public corporation, agency or instrumentality or unit of government which exercises governmental powers under the laws of the State.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby:

RESOLVED, that the town of Putnam Valley hereby adopts the Plan for the voluntary participation of all eligible employees, and it is further

RESOLVED, that the appropriate officials of the Town of Putnam Valley are hereby authorized to take such actions and enter into such agreements as are required or necessary for the adoption, implementation, and maintenance of The State of New York Deferred Compensation Plan; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Administrative Services Agency is hereby authorized to file copies of these resolutions and other required documents with the President of the State of New York Civil Service Commission.

Adopted the _____ day of _____, 2018, at a meeting of the Town Board,

I hereby certify that the Town of Putnam Valley is a local public employer within the meaning of Section 5 of the State Finance Law and that the adoption of the Plan had received all required approvals of any local governing body or officer and otherwise complies with local law.

Sherry Howard, Town Clerk

Seconded by Councilperson Annabi for discussion.

Ms. Angelico explained that the Deferred Compensation Plan is another way for the Town Employees to set aside money for retirement. We have about eight (8) active participants and the administrative fees have gone up. By changing to the State Fund we will save about \$1,500.00. It will just be a switch/roll over if you will.

Councilperson Annabi seconded the motion, unanimously carried

ADOPT CSEA HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR 2019

Presented by Councilperson Luongo

RESOLUTION #R18-297

RESOLVED, that the Town Board accept the CSEA holiday schedule for 2019 as per their contract.



Executive Board
Craig Cotone - President
ccotone@putnamvalley.com
Ray Gallagher- Vice President
rgallagher@putnamvalley.com

Executive Board
Margaret Bradley- Treasurer
mbradley@putnamvalley.com
Annie Spinelli-Secretary
aspinelli@putnamvalley.com

MEMORANDUM

TO: PUTNAM VALLEY TOWN BOARD
FROM: CRAIG COTONE, CSEA PRESIDENT
SUBJECT: 2019 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE
DATE: OCTOBER 1, 2018
CC: SHERRY HOWARD- TOWN CLERK

The CSEA Union respectfully requests the following holidays as per our contract:

January 1	Tuesday	New Year's Day
January 21	Monday	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
February 18	Monday	President's Day
May 27	Monday	Memorial Day
July 4	Thursday	Independence Day
September 2	Monday	Labor Day
October 14	Monday	Columbus Day
November 11	Monday	Veteran's Day
November 28	Thursday	Thanksgiving
November 29	Friday	Day after Thanksgiving
December 24	Tuesday	Christmas Eve
December 25	Wednesday	Christmas Day
December 31	Tuesday	New Year's Eve

* Holiday falls on a weekend- Union Requests an alternative date

Seconded by Councilperson Mackay, unanimously carried

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT DRIVEWAY OPENING PERMIT

Presented by Councilperson Annabi

RESOLUTION #R18-298

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approve the following driveway opening permit - September 2018, from the Highway Department:

2018-05	Rosa Quinde-Cochancela 55 Boswell Road Putnam Valley, NY 10579	\$200.00	62-9-19
---------	--	----------	---------

Seconded by Councilperson Luongo, unanimously carried.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT- SEPTEMBER 2018

Presented by Councilperson Annabi

RESOLUTION #R18-299

RESOLVED, that the Town Board accept the Building Department daily fee report and summary for the month of September 2018, for filing with the Town Clerk.

I

10/3/2018

TOWN OF PUTNAM VALLEY
OFFICE OF BUILDING & ZONING
265 Oscawana Lake Road
Daily Fee Report - Summary

T.C

From: 9/1/2018 To: 9/30/2018

Fee Type	Count	Amount
ADDITION/ALTERATION	1	\$75.00
ADDITIONAL FEE	1	\$1,666.00
BEDROOM COUNT REQUEST	3	\$150.00
CW	8	\$600.00
DECK	1	\$435.00
ELECTRI APP/NY ELEC	9	\$270.00
ELECTRIC APP/SWIS	11	\$330.00
FENCE/WALL	4	\$300.00
GAS/PROPANE	12	\$900.00
GENERATOR PERMIT	13	\$975.00
GEO THERMALWELL	1	\$75.00
HVAC	3	\$225.00
MI	3	\$225.00
OIL TANK	2	\$200.00
PERM	12	\$2,245.00
PL	1	\$75.00
RE	3	\$915.00
RU	3	\$500.00
SEARC	8	\$1,200.00
TREE	2	\$150.00
WETADM	1	\$50.00
WETL	1	\$200.00
WT/S	5	\$520.00
Total Fees Collected:	108	\$12,281.00
Cash	8	\$555.00
Check	100	\$11,726.00

Seconded by Councilperson Luongo, unanimously carried.

PARKS & RECREATION- REFUNDS

Presented by Councilperson Whetsel

RESOLUTION #R18-300

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approve the following refunds:

Melissa McCarthy 53 Argyle Street Lake Peekskill, NY 10537	\$500.00 LPCC Rental Refund Deposit
Rajendra Singh 53 South High Street Mt. Vernon, NY 10550	\$369.00 PVCC Refund for prepayment Did not move to Putnam Valley

Seconded by Councilperson Mackay, unanimously carried.

PARKS AND RECREATION – PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS

Presented by Councilperson Whetsel

RESOLUTION #R18-301

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approve the following additions/changes to personnel:

Chelsi Vogt, PV Children's Center, @ \$10.80 per hour.

Seconded by Councilperson Mackay, unanimously carried.

BARGER POND DISTRICT FEE WAIVER

Presented by Councilperson Mackay

RESOLUTION #R18-302

RESOLVED, that the Town Board waive any and all fees in order to obtain a Town of Putnam Valley Wetland Permit Waiver and Town of Putnam Valley building permit which is necessary for the installation of an EZ Dock system at the beach.

Seconded by Councilperson Luongo, unanimously carried.

WILDWOOD KNOLLS FACILITIES REVENUE REPORT

Presented by Councilperson Mackay

RESOLUTION #R18-303

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorize the Supervisor to accept the 2018 year end Wildwood Knolls Facilities Revenue Report:

11 Families @ \$100.00 per family = \$1,100.00

*Please note: Eight families chose not to use this facility in 2018, so we collected \$800.00 less than the \$1,900.00 Wildwood Knolls Facilities Warrant originally presented to the Town Board.

Seconded by Councilperson Annabi, unanimously carried.

APPOINT ROBERT CHESNUT TO PLOW THE FIVE (5) FIRE LANES SURROUNDING ROARING BROOK LAKE IN 2019

Presented by Councilperson Mackay

RESOLUTION #R18-304

RESOLVED, that the Town Board appoint Robert Chesnut to plow the five fire lanes surrounding Roaring Brook Lake in the year 2019 as linked below:

The fees for minor storms up to 6 inches of snow are \$170.00 and \$300.00 for major storms of more than 6 inches of snow.

The fire lanes are –
Dam access road
Shore Lane
Moon Beach
North Beach
Spur Beach

Seconded by Councilperson Luongo, unanimously carried.

BUDGET TRANSFERS

Presented by Supervisor Oliverio

RESOLUTION #R18-305

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approve the budget amendments and transfers for fiscal year:

Date Prepared: 10/16/2018 02:39 PM

TOWN OF PUTNAM VALLEY
Budget Adjustment Form

GLR4150 1.
Page 1 of

Year: 2018 Period: 10 Trans Type: B1 - Transfer Status: Posted
 Trans No: 112158 Trans Date: 10/16/2018 User Ref: MANGELICO
 Requested: Approved: Created by: MANGELICO 10/16/2018
 Description: OCTOBER 2018 YTD BUDGET TRANSFERS Account # Order: Yes
 Print Parent Account: No

Account No.	Account Description	Amount
A.1010.400	TOWN BOARD.PLANNING/LEGAL CONSULTING	680.00
A.1010.416	TOWN BOARD.DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS	2,805.00
A.1620.400	BUILDINGS.CONTRACTUAL	-2,844.54
A.1620.400	BUILDINGS.CONTRACTUAL	-3,233.44
A.1620.400	BUILDINGS.CONTRACTUAL	-72.07
A.1620.420	BUILDINGS.TELEPHONE	2,844.54
A.1620.440	BUILDINGS.SUPPLIES & MAINTENANCE	3,233.44
A.1620.478	BUILDINGS.CLEANING & MISC	72.07
A.1990.400	CONTINGENT ACCOUNT	-3,485.00
A.7110.200	PARKS.EQUIPMENT	400.00
A.7110.400	PARKS.CONTRACTUAL	-400.00
A.7310.200	CHILDRENS CENTER.EQUIPMENT	100.00
A.7310.400	CHILDRENS CENTER.CONTRACTUAL	-100.00
A.8540.200	STORMWATER.DRAINAGE EQUIPMENT	-750.00
A.8540.400	STORMWATER.DRAINAGE MAINT & REPAIR	750.00
SM01.1640.471	GARAGE.GAS, OIL, AND GREASE	-541.05
SM01.1640.472	GARAGE.TRUCK MAINTENANCE	541.05
SM03.7110.120	RECREATION.LIFEGUARDS	200.00
SM03.7180.200	BEACH.EQUIPMENT	-200.00
SM03.7180.471	BEACH.MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS	-10.77
SM03.9030.800	SOCIAL SECURITY	9.50
SM03.9035.800	MEDICARE	1.27
SM04.7110.120	RECREATION.LIFEGUARDS	400.00
SM04.7180.210	BEACH.IMPROVEMENTS	-400.00
SM04.7180.210	BEACH.IMPROVEMENTS	-209.22
SM04.7180.471	BEACH.MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS	209.22
SM05.1980.420	PAYMENT OF MTA PAYROLL TAX	0.83
SM05.7110.120	RECREATION.LIFEGUARDS	300.00
SM05.7180.200	BEACH.EQUIPMENT	-328.38
SM05.9030.800	SOCIAL SECURITY	22.33
SM05.9035.800	MEDICARE	5.22
SM06.7110.120	RECREATION.LIFEGUARDS	328.40
SM06.7180.471	BEACH.MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS	-328.40

PUBLIC COMMENT

Presented by Supervisor Oliverio

Resident Patty Villanova said her public comment will just be why she is voting “no” on the Day Camp bond. She said it is a matter of wants vs. needs and we cannot always get what we want. There are roughly 5000 taxpayers with no commercial tax base here; and regardless if it is the Town or the School District we are the people who are going to be paying this. Putnam Valley is a beautiful place, with beautiful parks and beautiful facilities. We have other camps, playing fields, trails etc., and if people want more they should pay for it privately. Another thing is about this property being developed, I doubt at this point it will be, and from past history we know the Town does have the ability to restrict residential development. At one time our Town did have a moratorium on building, and we are only voting for the property itself, not on future expenditures which are currently unknown. If there is a shortfall from what the campers pay and what is owed, that will fall on the taxpayer. This did occur in 2017 and 2018 where the camp was unable to meet its expenses based on what they took in. The biggest problem is that we are also being asked to vote on another school bond. Where does it end? There is also the new firehouse coming up. Supervisor Oliverio said the Towns position on the camp purchase can be found on his Facebook page. Also, as far as the development of that property goes you can never tell what will happen. There are 161 acres there that we will preserve for all time. This will be money well spent. There are always two (2) sides to any story. Our population and Town are growing, and we have to have facilities to grow with it. Development goes on and there have been many changes in the last 50 years.

Ms. Villanova asked if there is a point in a budget where you say this is unsustainable. Where is your upper limit for the Town? Supervisor Oliverio said this will be the last major expenditure for that Department because we will not need anything else. Councilperson Whetsel said more development means higher taxes because you need more roads and repairs. We don't have a booming commercial district so we have to offer something to our residents. This is an opportunity to create community and we need facilities to help support our residents. Councilwoman Annabi said a lot of our budget is State Mandates. We are nitpicking now because we have cut what we can. None of the Town Board Members want to see the budget go up. We can preserve our green space here and this is an investment in our community. That land has huge potential and is already being maintained year round. Councilperson Luongo said we may not be able to put a number on things, (I pay the same taxes that everyone else pays), but we cannot predict our expenses year to year and we don't want to get into trouble in the future. Town Attorney Florence said, the benefit of this will be the value of your home will improve. The reason that this is important is because the demand for your house will be greater. The assessment of your home should be the value of the house, and the public is who determines this value. We are competing with other suburban communities for dollars.

The Town Board when making the budget and wanting to purchase the CYO property are calculating the value of our homes by offering a large recreation area for all ages, thus making our community more desirable for homebuyers and their families. Ms. Villanova countered by saying we already have many facilities such as the Town Park, Fahnestock State Park and the Senior Center, and we pay high taxes. Attorney Florence said you need to get over that equilibrium point or you become a dead town.

Resident Terry Nicholson asked if this property is solely being purchased as a camp or will it be used year round? Supervisor Oliverio said at first it will just be used as a camp and then a "Citizen's Advisory Committee" will be set up to determine what other activities we can do there. Eventually it will be open to everybody. Councilperson Whetsel said there are buildings for indoor use.

Ms. Nicholson asked, what is the current cost to rent the day camp now and how many children enroll each summer? Supervisor Oliverio said it currently costs \$75,000.00 per summer to rent with our current two year contract; but it will go up to about \$90,000.00 if we don't buy the property. The 200 children that attend the camp pay tuition and that money goes to cover the cost of the rental and expenses.

Ms. Nicholson asked if the bridge leading to the property is private. Supervisor Oliverio said the bridge was just reconstructed about six (6) years ago and is good for many years after that, and the owner of the bridge said you take control of the bridge, own it for \$1.00 and there will be no problems. Ms. Nicholson then said that Mr. Florence said owning this property will raise the value of our homes when we go to sell them, but what if we don't want to sell them? Supervisor Oliverio said this purchase will not increase your taxes because we have a bond that just ended and is already accounted for. Ms. Nicholson asked if this camp bond does go down, how much money will we save on our taxes. Supervisor Oliverio said we would see a reduction of about \$20.00 per tax payer. But that money you might get back would have to go to another facility we would rent to run our camp somewhere else. Ms. Nicholson wondered if the day camp turns people away because of the 200 child limit. Supervisor Oliverio said there are times we have had to suggest other camps. She asked if the money paid by the campers covers all expenses. Supervisor Oliverio said not this summer because there was a building that needed a little upkeep and we have to take care of that. Ms. Nicholson asked about any added insurance liability coverage we may incur; to which Supervisor Oliverio responded by saying we already have insurance coverage on that property and it will only cost us about \$2,000.00 more for year round coverage. Ms. Nicholson also heard that the pool at the day camp is small. Supervisor Oliverio said it is big enough for 60 children or 40 adults; but it is not Olympic size. This is why we would like the community to help plan the use of this facility via a Citizens Advisory Committee. Ms. Nicholson asked about the amount of parking spaces available at the camp property; to which Supervisor Oliverio said there is plenty of parking spaces with a field that can be opened up to accommodate about 200 cars.

Resident Ted Anderson said he is the co-owner of The Beastro Food Truck. He said small businesses do count and that commerce is good. He has a notarized letter from the manager of Lizzie's which says they would have no problem if The Beastro opened up in Putnam Valley. He also spoke to Mr. Santucci from the Putnam Valley Market and he said he did not mind them opening up either. Mr. Anderson said they only have a seven to eight month window per year in which to sell their food. They are willing to pay a fee to the Town for their licensing. They have to be inspected wherever they go to sell food so you know the truck is safe. Supervisor Oliverio asked if his food truck would be able to operate from where it is parked now behind the Brookside Grille. His concern is your ability to be on a major roadway and have your patrons remain safe.

Councilperson Luongo said the spot you have now is a practical spot. Mr. Anderson said yes but he is not sure if this is a feasible spot for him right now. Supervisor Oliverio said we would like to assist you but we have to consider safety issues. Mr. Anderson said the original location they wanted is across from the Indian Church which would still be better for them. He will approach his current landlord to see if where they are now will work; and he understands the Town Board's concerns. Supervisor Oliverio said Attorney Florence has worked on food truck ordinances for the City of Peekskill and he can do the same for us. It would have limits on the amount of food trucks that would be allowed etc. People do like food trucks, and we want to support you but there are certain steps we have to go through. You would need a site plan for either spot which is not hard to do and is not that expensive. Where you are now is perfect because of all the parking that is there. Mr. Anderson has to check with his partner and the person who owns the property he is currently at.

Councilwoman Annabi reminded everyone that the camp tour is being held on November 3rd 9 AM – 12 noon - please park at the High School and take the shuttle bus up.

AUDIT OF MONTHLY BILLS

Presented by Supervisor Oliverio

RESOLUTION # R18-306

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approve the following bills, after audit, being paid:

<u>VOUCHER NUMBERS</u>	<u>AMOUNTS</u>
-------------------------------	-----------------------

Seconded by Councilperson Annabi, unanimously carried.

Supervisor Oliverio closed the meeting at 7:37 PM.

Seconded by Councilperson Annabi, unanimously carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Sherry Howard
10-31-2018