

PUTNAM VALLEY TOWN BOARD
TOWN BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2020
5:32 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

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2. Supervisor's Comments
3. Legislative Reports
4. School Report
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 - A. Accept grass cutting bid for 2020 season
 - B. Appoint Lake Peekskill Beach Monitors

7. Parks and Recreation Refunds

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 - A. Daily Fee Report for March 2020

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11. Budget Transfers and Amendments

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WEDNESDAY APRIL 15, 2020
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PRESENT: Supervisor Oliverio
Councilman Luongo
Councilwoman Annabi
Councilman Smith
Councilwoman Whetsel

ALSO PRESENT: Town Clerk Sherry Howard
Town Counsel Robert Lusardi

MEETING HELD VIA ZOOM DUE TO CORONAVIRUS

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

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS

Presented by Supervisor Oliverio

Supervisor Oliverio welcomed everyone to the meeting via zoom due to the coronavirus. Supervisor Oliverio thanked the Highway Crew for the great clean-up work they did after the storm we had the other day. NYSE&G got everyone back on line pretty quickly. Also, the Governor passed a new mandate that masks are required whenever you go out in public. You must have a face covering, you can even wear a bandana. Supervisor Oliverio then thanked the Ambulance Corps and all of our essential employees for keeping our country going during this scourge.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Presented by Councilwoman Annabi

Councilwoman Annabi read the report from Putnam Valley Volunteer Fire Chief Larry Cobb Jr which is as follows:

- There is a burn ban in effect from March 15th to May 15th.
- Use caution around downed power lines, always treat them as if they are live.
- When running generators make sure they are far enough away from the house and exhaust is facing away from the house.

Councilwoman Annabi next read the Putnam Valley Ambulance Corp Captain, Sandy Bohl's report which is as follows:

- For the month of March we had 63 calls. 49 of them were medical emergencies, 5 car accidents and 9 other.
- Our members logged in 434 roster hours at the building and another 160 hours from home. I want to thank all the members of the Putnam Valley Ambulance Corps for putting yourselves on the line to help the Putnam Valley Community and risking your own health.
- Our goal is to get our ambulances out to help any of our neighbors in need at this difficult time.
- I also want to thank some of our local residents who have dropped off N95 masks and other supplies that had at their homes and some that have made cloth masks, this includes "The Mask Makers Guild" which gave us around 40 cloth masks that were given out to our EMT's and paramedics to wear with a filter if we ran out of N95's or wear over our N95 masks so they don't get contaminated on the outside and last longer.
- Please remember to wear a mask when you are in an area where you can't maintain social distancing, even a bandana will work. The cloth masks will protect us only if everyone is wearing one; they will stop the water spray that comes out while we are talking, coughing etc. and help prevent the spread of the virus. Doing this will help keep all of our loved ones safer. Thank you and everyone stay safe and healthy.

Highway Superintendent Cobb gave the Highway Report. He said we had a severe storm on Monday into Tuesday and thankfully we made it through. We did get some damage but most of it is cleaned up already. We are working with half crews so I would like to thank my guys for what they did, it's stressful but everyone is working hard. We are not getting everything done with a half crew like cleaning the basins but we are doing what we can. This will be a ripple down effect for everybody. Supervisor Oliverio added that these are difficult times for everybody. Many people are sheltered in place; many people are not working and not getting paid. Hopefully the stimulus checks are on the way. There is a lot of compromise at every turn and let's all have patience. There will eventually be a vaccine and this will end.

COUNTY LEGISLATOR REPORT

Presented by Supervisor Oliverio

Councilwoman Annabi read County Legislator Gouldman's report as follows:

Sherry Howard

From: Jacqueline Annab.
Sent: Wednesday, April 15, 2020 5:17 PM
To: Sherry Howard
Subject: Fwd: gouldman

legislator report 4/15/20

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From: **Jacqueline Annab**
Date: Wed, Apr 15, 2020 at 5:12 PM
Subject: Re: gouldman
To: Jacqueline Annabi

Legislator Bill Gouldman has requested that I give his report. He hopes that everyone is staying safe during these trying times. He will like to remind you to "Be Prepared, Not Scared"

*To help those who have been financially affected by the COVID-19 public health emergency, Putnam County in partnership with the United Way and Community Cares has scheduled an Emergency Food Bank for Thursday, April 23rd. Registration is required. This service is free and is available to Putnam County Residents Only. For seniors or those who are immune compromised, volunteers are available to deliver the food within Putnam County. To get more information and register, call 211.

*If the corona virus has forced you to self-isolate or self-quarantine in your home and you feel you may be in an

unsafe situation for you and/or your children, help is available. Please reach out to the Putnam/Northern Westchester Women's Resource Center. The hotline is available to anyone in need, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Please call the hotline at 845-628-2166, for immediate assistance.

*If you are in need of mental health support, there are people who can help. Call the Putnam County Crisis Line at 844-863-9314.

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*We can not predict the future, but we all know that what we are doing is working. We have to continue to social

distance, shelter in place when necessary, wash your hands and wear a mask and gloves when we are in public. We will get through this together.

*There is help out there, for whatever you may be going through. Legislator Gouldman's door is always open, if you have an issue or concern, please give him a call at 845-808-1020. He will make every effort to assist you.

Please Be Safe

Councilwoman Annabi added that if you need help, if you are a veteran, a senior, and lonely or have mental health needs due to the virus you can call 211 from your phone – this is the number for Putnam's United Way. You can call 24 hours per day, 7 days a week.

SCHOOL REPORT

Presented by Councilman Smith

Councilman Smith said he has been in contact with Dr. Luft. The School District has taken full advantage of all of the distance learning opportunities. A month ago nobody knew what Zoom was and now everybody is using it. Dr. Luft said meals are still available to all students no matter what grade at the High School. This takes place from 10AM – 12 noon everyday – there is just a form that needs to be filled out.

ACCEPT TOWN BOARD MINUTES

Presented by Councilman Luongo

Councilman Luongo read the dates from the previous Town Board meeting so this Resolution will be done again at the next meeting.

ACCEPT THE GRASS CUTTING BID FOR THE 2020 SEASON

Presented by Councilwoman Annabi

RESOLUTION #R20-140

RESOLVED that the Putnam Valley Town Board authorize the Supervisor to accept the lowest bid for grass cutting on Town and District Properties for the 2020 season received from Landwork Contractors, Inc. 57 Route 6, Suite 208, Baldwin Place, NY 10505. The total lump sum bid is \$8,400.00 for the season. Bid opening minutes are attached.

Memorandum

To: TOWN BOARD MEMBERS
From: JUDY TRAVIS – DISTRICT CLERK
Date: 4/10/20
Re: GRASS CUTTING - 2020 SEASON

I formally request that the Town Board accept the lowest Bid for grass cutting on Town and District properties for the 2020 season received from Landwork Contractors, Inc., 57 Route 6, Suite 208, Baldwin Place, NY 10505

The total lump sum bid is \$8,400.00 for the season.

Bid opening minutes are attached for your review.

Seconded by Councilman Luongo, unanimously carried

APPOINT LAKE PEEKSKILL BEACH MONITORS

Presented by Councilwoman Whetsel

RESOLUTION #R20-141

RESOLVED that the Putnam Valley Town Board authorize the Supervisor to appoint the following Lake Peekskill Beach Monitors for the 2020 season at the rate of \$10.00 per hour with no benefits.

Joseph Aviles
William Catrini
Christopher Cabreja

Susan Gaffney
Greg Scibor

Seconded by Councilman Smith, unanimously carried.

PARKS AND RECREATION REFUNDS

Presented by Councilman Smith

RESOLUTION #R20-142

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approve the following Parks and Recreation refunds:

AnnaMaria Cross
56 Cimarron Road
Putnam Valley, NY 10579

\$360.00
Program Refund Legos
Program Cancelled

Seconded by Councilwoman Annabi, unanimously carried.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT- MARCH 2020

Presented by Councilman Luongo

RESOLUTION #R20-143

RESOLVED, that the Town Board accept the Building Department daily fee report and summary for the month of March 2020, for filing with the Town Clerk.

4/1/2020

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

From: 3/1/2020 To: 3/31/2020

Fee Type	Count	Amount
ADDITION/ALTERATION	7	\$2,757.00
ELECTRI APP/NY ELEC	7	\$210.00
ELECTRIC APP/SWIS	7	\$210.00
GAS/PROPANE	5	\$375.00
GENERATOR PERMIT	2	\$150.00
HVAC	9	\$675.00
MG	4	\$300.00
MI	2	\$262.00
OIL TANK	5	\$475.00
PELLET STOVE	1	\$75.00
PL	4	\$480.00
RE	3	\$661.00
RHCS	1	\$250.00
SEARC	24	\$3,600.00
SOLAR PANELS	1	\$254.00
WETADM	1	\$50.00
WETL	1	\$100.00
WT/S	2	\$200.00
Total Fees Collected:	86	\$11,084.00
Cash	4	\$190.00
Check	82	\$10,894.00

Seconded by Councilwoman Annabi, unanimously carried.

HIGHWAY PERSONNEL ADDITION

Presented by Councilwoman Annabi

RESOLUTION #R20-144

RESOLVED, that the Town Board appoint Jeremy Whalen as a full time probationary Laborer at the hourly wage of \$28.49 effective May 4, 2020. Jeremy replaces Frank Acevedo who will retire April 30, 2020

Seconded by Supervisor Oliverio for discussion.

Supervisor Oliverio said Frank Acevedo who is retiring has spent many years working for the Town and we accept his retirement with regret. Frank, enjoy yourself and your new adventures.

This Resolution was unanimously carried.

AUDIT OF MONTHLY BILLS

Presented by Councilwoman Whetsel

RESOLUTION #R20-145

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

<u>VOUCHER NUMBERS</u>	<u>AMOUNTS</u>
30672-30693	\$18,978.24

Seconded by Councilman Luongo, unanimously carried.

BUDGET TRANSFERS AND AMENDMENTS

Presented by Councilman Smith

RESOLUTION #R20-146

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approve the following budget transfers:

Seconded by Councilman Luongo, unanimously carried.

Supervisor Oliverio moved to go into Executive Session at 5:50 PM to discuss four (4) contractual and possible litigation items. One (1) is the new firehouse, a possible litigation involving the agriculture ordinance, the vaping moratorium and finally the solar moratorium. No new business or actions will be conducted afterward.

Seconded by Councilman Smith, unanimously carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Sherry Howard
Town Clerk
04-21-2020