PUTNAM VALLEY TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 2022 6:00 PM

AGENDA

Pledge of Allegiance

- 1. Departmental Reports
- 2. Supervisor's Comments
- 3. Legislative Report
- 4. Approval of Minutes
- 5. Discuss Kingdom Faire
- 6. Parks and Recreation:
 - a. Approve 2022 Sunset Series Staff
 - b. March 2022 Refunds
 - c. Approve 2022 Day Camp Salaries
 - d. Approve Personnel
 - e. Approve Appointment of Senior Rec. Leader
- 7. Districts:
 - a. Approve Advertising for seasonal personnel
 - b. Approve appointment of Egg Addler
 - c. Authorize going out to bid for District Garbage Pick-up
- 8. Facilities: Authorize going out to bid via NYS Office of General Procurement Services Mini-Bid -- Town Vehicle
- 9. Approve Appointment of Jean McGee to Commission for the Conservation of the Environment
- 10. Approve Independent Auditor's Report on Town of Putnam Valley Justice Court
- 11. Approve Resignation of Justice Clement Van Ross
- 12. Approve Appointment of Judge Sandy Newman as Interim Court Justice
- 13. Approve Letter to Legislator William Gouldman regarding ARPA Funds
- 14. Approve letter to NYS Senator Sue Serino and Assemblyman Kevin Byrne regarding Inland Waterway Declaration
- 15. Public Comment
- 16. Audit of Monthly Bills
- 17. Budget Transfers and Amendments

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PRESENT:

Supervisor Annabi

Councilman Russo

Councilwoman Tompkins

Councilman Smith Councilman Luongo

ALSO PRESENT: Town Clerk Sherry Howard

Town Counsel Sarah Ryan

Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence for our men and women in our armed forces throughout the world.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Presented by Councilman Luongo

Linda Thornton and Mark Weiss from the Tompkins Corners Cultural Center gave the following report:

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Tompkins Corners Cultural Center Report

Mark Weiss:

We're back, indoors, finally and we're loving it! East Sunday our wonderful Poets' Corner Open Mic attracted our regular followers and folks from as far as New Paltz. It's so great to be back!

To give our report this week, I want to introduce our own Linda Thornton who magically puts all the pieces together to make things happen at Tompkins Corners. Linda, what's coming up in March and April?

Linda Thornton:

It was two years ago on Friday, March 6th that Mike and Ruthy by way of Jay Ungar performed and finally (deep breath) this Saturday night, March 26th at 7 p.m. we'll celebrate St. Patrick's Month with Mary Courtney, a wonderful Irish singer and musician who will perform with an opening set by own Tompkins Corners Ceili Band. You've seen and heard them at our Farmer's Market on Friday afternoons during the summer. That's this Saturday night.

This Sunday, March 27th at 11 a.m., we're back for a live zoom presentation sponsored by The Roaring Brook Garden Club with Town Historian Dan Ricci who will guide us through the dramatic history of local Native Americans with a Q and A to follow.

On Saturday, April 9th at 7:30 p.m, KJ Dennert and her band will perform Urban Folk and Jazz. Check her out on our website. She is amazing.

And one more event in April: T.S. Elliot said that "April is the cruelest month" but I Googled it only to find there is more to it than that. So, maybe we'll find out about that and much more at our April Poets' Corner on April 10th at 3 p.m.

Check out our website at tompkincorners.org

See you next month from Town Hall!

Captain Sandy Bohl from the Putnam Valley Volunteer Ambulance Corps gave her report for the month of February 2022 as follows:

27 medical emergencies
13 car accidents
2 standby
3 mutual aid out
19 mutual aid in
17 mutual aid out of County

This is a total of 81 calls for the month.

Highway Superintendent Shawn Keeler gave the following report:

Good Evening Ladies and Gentlemen

Hopefully winter is over. I'd like to take a moment to thank the men and women of the Highway dept. Even though we did well with the amount of snow most of the storms were the ice, snow sleet and rain which are not as easy to deal with. I'd also like to thank the residents for bearing with us through these storms which like I said are now hopefully behind us.

We have begun our spring cleaning of our yard and building and will continue to straighten up to make it more useful and give us possible opportunities for home owners to come get wood, dirt and wood chips I will keep you all updated if we are able to make this happen. Speaking about it if any home owners are in need of wood dirt or wood chips feel free to call the Highway garage at 845-526-3333 and we will gladly bring you whatever we can.

We have finally been able to get our tree crew back out and again will be going around cutting trees which are dead or in danger of falling also we will be cutting back any over growth.

We have also been cutting shoulders on Denny town and South Highland Roads and will hopefully be able to do this all over town before the fall.

You will start to see our vacuum truck out cleaning catch basins around Town in the next few weeks.

Work that we also will be starting shortly or in the coming months:

- Replacement of the bridge in the middle of Bell Hollow
- Reclaiming of Sprout brook and Wicopee Roads
- Lastly will be new drainage on Horton Hollow and also regrading and repairing the road

I can always be reached in my Office 845-526-3333 on my cell 845-745 -0795 and SKEELER@PUTNAMVALLEY.COM

Supervisor Annabi reiterated that the Bell Hollow Road Bridge is being replaced. It will be paid for through our ARPA Funds. The drainage on Horton Hollow is also a long standing problem which will be taken care of; this will again be taken care of through ARPA Funds so it will have no impact on the Town's budget.

Councilman Russo read the PV Free Library Report as follows:

- The Book Club will meet on April 14th the book they are reading is <u>Beloved</u> by Toni Morrison. It is a zoom meeting with a 25 person limit.
- Putnam Valley Chess Club meets every Wednesday from 4 7 PM. All Ages!
- Storytime with Miss Isabelle meets every Friday at 10:30 AM outside in the garden weather permitting.
- Dungeons and Dragons Club for ages 13 17 meets every Friday. Registration Required
- Knitwits meets every other Saturday from 2-3 PM. All ages and skill level welcome. Masks required. This is a free program.
- Succulent Planting Party May 19th at 7:00 PM. \$22.00 per person. Registration Required.
- Defensive Driving Saturday May 7th 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. \$45.00 per person;
 \$35.00 for ages 65+. Registration Required.

For more information please call the Library at 845-52-3242; or go on line at — PUTNAMVALLEYLIBRARY.ORG

LEGISLATIVE REPORTS

Presented by Councilman Luongo

Supervisor Annabi said both Legislators are in a meeting at the County so there is no report. She added that they both sent her an email saying that Putnam Valley will be getting an additional 1.2 million dollars of ARPA Funds from the County which must be used for infrastructure, water, or technology upgrades.

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS

Presented by Supervisor Annabi

Supervisor Annabi said we are having a Community Shred Day on Sunday April 24th from 10 AM to 2 PM at the Putnam Valley Town Hall. This is free to all Putnam Valley Residents. This is the day after our Town Bulk Drop-Off.

Supervisor Annabi announced the 2022 Bulk Drop-Off schedule:

Saturday, April 23rd
Saturday, June 18th
Saturday, August 20th; and
Saturday, October 15th.

The hours of operation are from 8:45 AM to 11:45 AM. During these times and on these dates Town Hall will be open for business. Every office will be open with the exception of the Highway Department.

Supervisor Annabi said on the third Wednesday of every month the Town Hall is open to 5:00 PM to help anyone who needs the extra hour to get here.

Supervisor Annabi said our Schools have been amazing, the Girls' Varsity Basketball Team made it to the semi-finals! Congratulations to those girls! The Science Research Program at the Putnam Valley High School had 14 of its 16 student participants received awards at the Westchester Science and Engineering Fair.

Supervisor Annabi also recognized student Gabe Rzezwicki who made it to the States as part of the Putnam Valley/Lakeland Swim Team.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Presented by Supervisor Annabi

RESOLUTION #R22-138

RESOLVED that the Town Board authorize the Supervisor to accept the Town Board Meeting Minutes from February 9th, February16th, 2021, March 9th, 2022.

Seconded by Councilwoman Tompkins, unanimously carried.

DISCUSS KINGDOM FAIRE

Presented by Supervisor Annabi

Supervisor Annabi said that Putnam Valley has been asked to hold a Renaissance Style Fair by Megara Entertainment. They will be holding "Kingdom Faire" at the Putnam Valley Day Camp. This is the first time that a fair like this has been held in Putnam County. She continued and said there will be no cars coming into Putnam Valley, this will be done using shuttle services. There will be a shuttle coming from the Jefferson Valley Mall where residents outside of Putnam Valley will be parking.

If you are a resident of Putnam Valley, you will be able to park at the German American Club or at the Putnam Valley Senior Center.

Frank Segro, COO, and Erica Panzarino, Communications and Hospitality Coordinator for Magara Entertainment and Kingdom Faire made a presentation to the Town Board about the proposed Fair.

Ms. Panzarino thanked everyone for their hard work and diligence. She stated that they have a diverse and talented company of actors. There are variety and music acts, specialty vendors, local vendor outreach, and all sorts of different things. It is an outdoor event. We will be running on weekends from April 20th to June 26th with the addition of the Monday of Memorial Day Weekend. The hours will be from 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM. (with an 11:00 AM start on Memorial Day). We will be busing people in to minimize traffic, noise, and disruption to the Town; and we are looking forward to working with all of you.

Mr. Segro said we have provided a site plan to the Town, which is still a work in progress. There will be some impact on the residents of Brookfalls Road so we will be giving these residents a decal which lets our security know they can get through to their homes. We will leave the grounds of the camp better than when we found it; and the entertainment is minimally amplified to keep the noise down for the residents. We will be pretty well spread out in the venue to make the most of the area. We are in a time crunch so we thank the Board for working so quickly to make this happen.

Councilwoman Tompkins noticed that their brochure mentions 200-300 cars per day and wondered if we would experience that. Mr. Segro responded that if that were the case that amount of cars would be at the Jefferson Valley Mall. He added that three (3) hours is the estimated average stay time at an event like this so the cars and people are sporadic throughout the day. Mr. Segro said the Town is providing the shuttles and they will be running continuously throughout the day. The County will also be providing shuttles from a couple of the train stations.

Supervisor Annabi said there will be no cars heading toward the camp. The address of the camp will not be given out, or advertised, nor will the address of the Senior Center or the German American Club. Mr. Segro said that this is a family friendly Renaissance Fair, it will not be bawdy.

Supervisor Annabi said they have been working closely with our Fire and Code Inspector to make sure everything is up to code. We do have a contract from them which will be approved based on Counsel's decision, with all guidelines being followed.

Resident, Pamela Acevedo, asked if the Town was going to be making money from this venture and if so where will the money be going? Supervisor Annabi said of course the Town will be making money; with the money going to the camp for restoration and repair, and to improve the campgrounds. Mr. Segro said hopefully there are some tourism dollars for the local businesses.

Mr. Venezia, a resident of Brookfalls Road, said there are a couple of safety issues. One (1) being on the north side of the bridge there are two (2) dead trees which will fall onto the road. Supervisor Annabi will have the Highway Superintendent look into that. Mr. Venezia then said that people do not honor the stop sign that is by the bridge and that is dangerous. Supervisor Annabi said that the Highway Superintendent will look at both of those things tomorrow; and maybe we could put in a stop sign that flashes.

Councilman Smith asked Mr. Segro if this is the first time that this Company is putting on a Fair. Mr. Segro said yes, this is a first for Megara; but not a first for most of the people in the Company. Councilman Smith asked if this will be the only location for this in the area. Mr. Segro said yes, we are trying to develop a permanent location and this is the only one (1). We are not going to move permanently into the camp, our ultimate goal is to find a more permanent location though. Mr. Segro said the Fair is rain or shine within reason – we don't want people to have a poor experience.

Resident Henry Lopez asked how you plan on using the facilities. Is there a layout you can show us? Mr. Segro showed the layout map and said they do not plan on using the buildings; but instead it is more like a transient tent set up. We are going to leave the bulk of the stuff up. There will be a couple of stages that will be set up, but they are no bigger than 12 x 24 with some set designs. No one will be allowed near the pool. We will have different performances going on at different times during the day. Things will be spread out. Supervisor Annabi said they do have their own security and EMS and Ambulances will be on site. She added that most of the ticket sales will be on-line, please be aware that there is a cap on sales for each day.

Councilwoman Tompkins asked where this is being marketed. Mr. Segro said this is going to be extremely family oriented/family friendly. We have some press releases we will have approved. There will be ads on local radio stations, digital advertising, and there is a definite dedicated community.

Highway Superintendent Keeler asked how much the tickets are. Mr. Segro said kids under four (4) are free. Typical kids tickets are around \$15.00, adult tickets are \$23.00. We are trying to cut really good deals for the vendors, and keep everything reasonably priced. We want everyone partnering with us to make money.

RESOLUTION #22-139

Presented by Supervisor Annabi

RESOLUTION: 22 # 139 OF 2022

WHEREAS, the Town Board has received a request from Megara, Inc (or "Organizers"). to utilize town-owned property formally known as the "CYO Camp" (or "Site") at 140 Brook Falls Road and;

WHEREAS, The Organizers propose to utilized the Site for the purpose of conducting an open-air event to be called "Kingdom Faire" (or "Event") and;

WHEREAS, the Event will be located on approximately ten (10) acres of the Site and shall be limited to no more than three thousand and five hundred (3,500) visitors per day, exclusive of contracted vendor and Event personnel and in no event shall the total capacity exceed four thousand (4,000) people per day; and

WHEREAS, the Event is scheduled to take place between 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM every Saturday and Sunday from April 30, 2022 and June 26, 2022 and the Monday of Memorial Day for a total of 19 operating days; and

WHEREAS, the proposed venue license agreement is annexed hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein as if recited verbatim, and the Town Board does direct that said contract be spread across the record as if it, in fact, had been read verbatim; and

WHEREAS, this action is a Type II Action under the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), and, as such, no further environmental review is required; and

WHEREAS, Organizers have named the Town of Putnam Valley as a secondary insured on their Certificate of Liability Insurance; and

WHEREAS, Organizers have agreed to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Town of Putnam Valley; and

WHEREAS, Organizers have provided an Affidavit of Compliance with the provision of the Town Code; and

WHEREAS, Organizers have agreed that there will be no parking or direct vehicular public access to or adjacent to the Site, rather, all non-resident visitors will be bussed from the parking lot of the Jefferson Valley Mall or local train stations and resident visitors will be bussed from a local, privately-owned parking lot; and

WHEREAS, Organizers have provided, and the Town Board has reviewed, the following documents and reports in relation to the proposed Event:

- 1. Emergency Management Plan, dated March 2022
- 2. Traffic Flow and Management Plan, dated 2022
- 3. Health and Safety Plan, dated March 2022
- 4. Certificate of Liability Insurance, dated March 15, 2022
- 5. Emergency Response Guide, dated March 2022
- 6. Even Information, dated March 15, 2022
- 7. Conceptual/Draft Site Plan, dated 2022
- 8. Proposed Daily Schedule of Events

WHEREAS, the Event and all associated subcontractor Vendors shall operate in compliance with standard found in the Even Safety Guide, dated 2013, and promulgated by the Even Safety Alliance of the USA, Inc, edited by Donald C. Cooper.; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town Board hereby authorizes the Supervisor to execute the proposed contract annexed hereto as Exhibit A, subject to the satisfaction of certain enumerated conditions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, conditions #1 through #9 must be completed no later than 12:00 PM on April 8, 2022. Should the below-listed conditions not be completed within the allotted time frame, this Resolution shall become null and void.

CONDITIONS TO BE SATISFIED:

- 1. Submit a detailed site plan and baseline report, including photographs, of the existing conditions of the Site and buildings to meet the satisfaction of the Building Inspector.
- Submit a water supply and wastewater treatment plan subject to the approval of the Town Engineer.
- 3. Submit a detailed traffic plan depicting the routes to and from the Site.
- 4. Submit an updated Security Standard Operating Procedure Manual.
- 5. Organizers must post a bond sufficient to ensure adequate clean-up and remediation of the Facility at the conclusion of the Event. The amount of such bond shall be set by the Town of Putnam Valley Director of Parks and Recreation and approved by the Town Board.
- Provide written responses to the points raised in the March 18, 2022 email from Supervisor Annabi.
- Arrange for daily Site inspections by a third-party Fire Inspector and provide the name and contact information for such Fire Inspector.
- 8. Obtain all necessary permits from the Town Clerk of the Town of Putnam Valley.
- 9. Obtain all necessary approvals from the Putnam County Department of Health.

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Dated: March 23, 2022

Moved: Supervisa Sunasi

Seconded: Councilman Russo

Motion passes/fails: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Seconded by Councilman Russo, unanimously carried.

Presented by Supervisor Annabi

RESOLUTION # 22-140

RESOLVED that the Town Board authorize the Town Clerk, Sherry Howard, to sign the State Liquor Authority authorization for Megara to get their Liquor License from the State.

Seconded by Councilman Luongo, unanimously carried.

Presented by Supervisor Annabi

RESOLUTION #22-141

RESOLVED that the Town Board authorize the Supervisor to sign the agreement with the Jefferson Valley Mall for parking based on advice of Counsel.

Seconded by Councilwoman Tompkins, unanimously carried.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Presented by Supervisor Annabi

RESOLUTION #22-142

RESOLVED that the Town Board ADD the following item to the agenda

- #5A Resolution to sign the contract with Megara, Inc.
- #5B Authorize the Town Clerk to sign the Special Events Application for the State Liquor Authority.
- #5C Authorize Supervisor to sign contract with the Jefferson Valley Mall for parking.

An Executive Session will be added at the end of the meeting. No new business will be conducted afterward.

Supervisor Annabi said thanks to the grant from Ampion, the Town Board now will be using laptops which will save a lot of paper. She thanked Councilman Smith for making that happen.

PARKS AND RECREATION - APPROVE SUNSET SERIES STAFF

Presented by Councilman Luongo

RESOLUTION #R22-143

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorize the Supervisor to accept the personnel additions for the 2022 Concert Series as follows:

Sherry Howard, Sunset Series Coordinator, \$3,200.00 for the season. Georgine Bagnato, Advertising Coordinator, \$1,200 for the season.

Please be advised that this has been accounted for in the accepted 2022 budget and we are currently well under budget at this time.

Seconded by Councilman Smith unanimously carried.

PARKS AND RECREATION REFUNDS

Presented by Councilwoman Tompkins

RESOLUTION #R22-144

RESOLVED, that the Town Board accept the February 2022 refunds for the Parks and Recreation Department as follows:

Catherine Mason \$50.00 306 Lake Drive LPCC

Lake Peekskill, NY 10537 Remaining deposit refund

Asha Tobiaz-Wenzler \$500.00 46 Argyle Street LPCC

Lake Peekskill, NY 10537 Deposit Refund

Grace Urbina \$440.00 60 Tanglewylde Road LPCC

Lake Peekskill, NY 10537 Deposit Refund

Seconded by Councilman Luongo, unanimously carried.

APPROVE DAY CAMP SALARIES

Presented by Councilman Smith

RESOLUTION #R22-145

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approve the following Day Camp Salaries:

Patti Singer (EMT – Co-Director)	\$33.82 per hour
Andrew Salustri	\$21.00 per hour
Patti Singer Office (NTE 100 hours)	\$21.00 per hour
Andrew Salustri Office (NTE 100 hours	\$20.75 per hour
Junior Counselor	\$9.50 per hour
Senior Counselor	\$10.70 per hour
Specialist	\$11.21 per hour
CIT Coordinator	\$12.25 per hour
Youth Activities Specialist	\$12.75 per hour
Maintenance	\$17.85 per hour

Seconded by Councilman Luongo, unanimously carried

PARKS AND RECREATION PERSONNEL

Presented by Councilman Russo

RESOLUTION #R22-146

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approve the following addition to the Parks and Recreation personnel:

- 1. Juliana Russo, PV Children's Center, @ \$13.70 per hour.
- 2. Tatiana Rodriguez, PV Children's Center, @ \$13.70 per hour.
- 3. Samantha Vulcano, PV Children's Center, @ \$13.70 per hour.
- 4. Gracey Mazzella, PV Children's Center, @ \$13.20 per hour.
- 5. Patricia Singer, PV Day Camp office hours, @ \$21.00 per hour. (Not to exceed 100 hours).
- 6. Willie Totten, Basketball Referee, @ \$45.00 per hour.

Seconded by Councilman Smith, unanimously carried

APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF SENIOR RECREATION LEADER

Presented by Councilwoman Tompkins

RESOLUTION #R22-147

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorize the Parks and Recreation Department to appoint Amanda McGannon to Senior Recreation Leader at the yearly salary of \$49,322.00, with benefits, beginning April 11, 2022. This would represent Step 1 of the Union Contract.

Seconded by Councilman Smith, unanimously carried.

DISTRICTS - APPROVE ADVERTISING FOR SEASONAL PERSONNEL

Presented by Councilman Luongo

RESOLUTION #R22-148

RESOLVED that the Town Board authorize the District Clerk to advertise for 2022 seasonal personnel – i.e. Lake Oscawana Harvest Operators; and LPID Beach Monitors.

Seconded by Councilman Smith, unanimously carried.

APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF EGG ADDLER

Presented by Councilman Smith

RESOLUTION #R22-149

RESOLVED that the Town Board authorize the Supervisor to appoint Friedel Mueller Landau as egg addler for Lake Peekskill, Roaring Brook Lake, and Barger Pond for the 2022 season at a salary of \$450.00 with no benefits.

Seconded by Councilman Russo, unanimously carried.

AUTHORIZE GOING OUT TO BID FOR DISTRICT GARBAGE PICK-UP

Presented by Councilman Russo

RESOLUTION #R22-150

RESOLVED that the Town Board authorize the District Clerk to go out to bid for the residential solid waste pick-up in the following Districts:

- *Glenmar Gardens
- *Brookdale Gardens
- *Hilltop Estate
- *Wildwood Knolls
- *Roaring Brook Lake
- *Lookout Manor
- *Abele Park

The current three (3) year contract with AAA Carting and Rubbish will expire on December 31, 2022.

Seconded by Councilman Smith, unanimously carried

FACILITIES – AUTHORIZE GOING OUT TO BID VIA NYS OFFICE OF GENERAL PROCUREMENT SERVICE – MINI-BID TOWN VEHICLE

Presented by Councilwoman Tompkins

RESOLUTION #R22-151

RESOLVED that the Town Board authorize the Facilities Department to go out to bid using a New York State Office of General Procurement Services Mini-Bid for an all-wheel drive, 4 door, Sport Utility Vehicle for Town business usage - New York State Award Contract Award Number 23166. The price of a new vehicle has been included in the 2022 budget. Additional funding received from auction of (2) 2008 Ford Escapes will be put toward new vehicle purchase as well.

Seconded by Councilman Smith, unanimously carried.

APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF JEAN MCGEE TO COMMISSION OF THE ENVIRONMENT

Presented by Councilman Luongo

RESOLUTION #R22-152

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorize the Supervisor to appoint Jean McGee a Member of the Commission for the Conservation of the Environment.

Seconded by Councilman Luongo for discussion.

Councilman Luongo asked what Ms. McGee's term will be. Supervisor Annabi did not believe members of the CCE had a term because they are a Committee and not a Board.

Seconded by Councilwoman Tompkins, unanimously carried.

APPROVE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON TOWN OF PUTNAM VALLEY JUSTICE COURT

Presented by Councilman Smith

RESOLUTION #R22-153

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorize the Supervisor to accept and approve the findings of the attached independent Auditor's Report from O'Connor Davies pertaining to their examination of the records for the Town Justice Court. Said report reflects that the Town of Putnam Valley Court is in compliance with Section 2019-a of the Uniform Justice Court Act, which require that Town Justices annually provide their court records and documents to the auditing board for review.

Seconded by Councilman Russo, unanimously carried

APPROVE RESIGNATION OF COURT JUSTICE CLEMENT VAN ROSS

Presented by Supervisor Annabi

RESOLUTION #R22-154

RESOLVED, that the Town Board accept the resignation of Judge Clement Van Ross from his position as Town of Putnam Valley Court Justice, effective immediately.

Seconded by Councilman Smith, unanimously carried

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<u>APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF JUDGE SANDY NEWMAN AS INTERIM COURT JUSTICE</u>

Presented by Supervisor Annabi

RESOLUTION #R22-155

RESOLVED, that the Town Board appoint the Honorable Sandy Newman to the Town Justice Court of Putnam Valley as an interim Judge, effective April 1, 2022 at a salary of \$23,710.00 per annum, with no benefits. Judge Newman will be filling the vacancy of Judge Clement Van Ross until a new Judge is elected to the position.

Seconded by Councilman Smith, unanimously carried

APPROVE LETTER TO LEGISLATOR WILLIAM GOULDMAN REGARDING ARPA FUNDS

Presented by Supervisor Annabi

Supervisor Annabi said we received a letter from County Executive MaryEllen Odell stating that the Town will be receiving 1.2 million dollars from the ARPA funds. Supervisor Annabi said she would like to send a letter which has to be signed and sent by the end of this month stating what those funds will be used for; and to show it will be spent within the guidelines provided by the Federal Government.

RESOLUTION #R22-156

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approve the letter to County Executive Odell and Legislator Gouldman from Supervisor Annabi regarding the expense of the 1.2 million dollars in ARPA Funds given to the Town of Putnam Valley by the County. The funds will be spent on the following projects:

- Wells at Town Hall
- Explore Reverse Osmosis System or UV Lighting System for clean water to assist residents affected by the Salt Shed.
- Roads and Infrastructure
- Repair Bell Hollow Bridge
- Upgrade Gas Tanks
- Repair Horton Hollow Road
- Repair Lake Peekskill Dam and Roaring Brook Dam
- Repair Abele Park Boat Ramps
- Laptops
- Upgrade for Webmaster and Community Media
- Economic Development

Seconded by Councilman Smith, unanimously carried

APPROVE LETTER TO SENATOR SUE SERINO AND ASSEMBLYMAN KEVIN BYRNE REGARDING INLAND WATERWAY DECLARATION

Presented by Councilman Russo

RESOLUTION #R22-157

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approve the letter to both Senator Sue Serino and Assemblyman Kevin Byrne from Supervisor Annabi regarding the Designation of Inland Waterways for both Lake Peekskill and Roaring Brook Lake. The letter will state the following:

Dear Senator Serino and Assemblyman Byrne,

I am writing to you both requesting your assistance in having Lake Peekskill and Roaring Brook Lake declared, and notated as, two (2) bodies of water entered into, and included in, the New York State database of Inland Waterways.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Sincerely, Jacqueline Annabi, Supervisor, Town of Putnam Valley

Councilman Russo said this is very important because the first part of applying for the Local Waterfront Revitalization Program grant money is to have these bodies of water declared "Inland Waterways". A bill will have to be passed in order to declare them as such, which will allow us to apply for the tremendous amounts of money out there for such waterways.

Seconded by Councilman Luongo, unanimously carried

PUBLIC COMMENT

Presented by Supervisor Annabi

Resident, Pam Acevedo, said she was thinking about the sewers in Lake Peekskill. Most of the time when the big Developers develop condominiums and the like they do it in phases. She does not think we should look at the whole of Lake Peekskill in the beginning. Supervisor Annabi said we will only be looking at Morrissey Drive to begin with. Ms. Acevedo then said about the bridges, she thought there was a ton of money for bridges in the ARPA money. Supervisor Annabi said we are using that money for that. Ms. Acevedo added that we should also be getting grant money for this purpose. Supervisor Annabi said it takes a while to get grant money and this has to be handled now. Those grant applications are not even eligible until June.

Ms. Acevedo asked if we use the 1.2 million dollars to repair those bridges now can we replace that money when we get the grant money. Supervisor Annabi said, no, but it will allow us to do more work on other bridges that need repair. Ms. Acevedo said maybe we could use the 1.2 million for the beginnings of the sewer system in Lake Peekskill and wait for the grant money to repair the bridges. Supervisor Annabi said some of the bridges can't wait because it is getting to be emergency conditions. Highway Superintendent Keeler emphasized the poor shape the Bell Hollow Bridge is in and we were denied a grant for that. He said it is only a matter of time before it falls apart. Supervisor Annabi reminded Ms. Acevedo that we are only one (1) county putting in grants along with everyone else, so we will not always get them.

Ms. Acevedo then asked if we could try to get a grant to get water and fire hydrants in Lake Peekskill. Councilman Luongo said we could not put fire hydrants in now, because Lake Peekskill does not have a water system. You must have a municipal water system in order to have fire hydrants. Supervisor Annabi said we are using some of the money for a study to see what can and cannot be done in that area.

Highway Superintendent Keeler said on April 9, 2022 from 11AM to 12:30 PM the Little League will be having their Opening Day Parade and the road will be closed for about a half hour at this time. It will run from the Elementary School to the Town Park.

Supervisor Annabi reminded everyone that Town Day is going to be held on September 24th. We have some great sponsors already such as PCSB and the Hudson Valley Chamber of Commerce. The applications are coming in and if you need electricity you must do this quickly before we run out of space for that. We expect a lot of vendors this year so please contact me at 845-526-2121, or jannabi@putnamvalley.com. for an application. The application can also be found on our town website

AUDIT OF MONTHLY BILLS

Presented by Supervisor Annabi

RESOLUTION #R22-158

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

VOUCHER NUMBERS

AMOUNTS

37794-3794

\$54,045.59

Seconded by Councilman Luongo, unanimously carried.

BUDGET TRANSFERS AND AMENDMENTS

Presented by Supervisor Annabi

RESOLUTION #R22-159

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

Seconded by Councilman Smith, unanimously passed.

Supervisor Annabi moved to go into Executive Session. No new business will be conducted afterward.

Seconded by Councilman Luongo, unanimously carried.

Supervisor Annabi made a motion to close the meeting at 7:04PM.

Seconded by Councilman Luongo, unanimously carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Sherry Howard Town Clerk 03-29-2022