Wawayanda Town Board Meeting 10/08/2015

October 8, 2015

A Regular monthly business meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Wawayanda was called to order at 7:00 P.M., on Thursday, October 8, 2015, at the Town Hall, Ridgebury Hill Road, Slate Hill, New York.

Those present were:	John R. Razzano	Supervisor
	David S. Cole	Councilman
	Denise Quinn	Councilwoman
	Michael Green Jr.	Councilman
	Nicolas Chase	Councilman
	Kathryn Sherlock	Town Clerk
Attendance Not Required:	Richard Guertin	Attorney for the Town

Also Present: Barbara Parsons & Mary Markiewicz - Planning Board Members; Howard Goldstein – Bookkeeper for the Town; Dan Pierce; Frank Thompson; Mary Bennis and Alan Stephens.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

APPROVAL OF DEPARTMENT REPORTS:
MOTION by **Supervisor Razzano**, seconded by **Councilwoman Quinn**, to accept the various departmental reports, as submitted.

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PAYMENT OF BILLS:
MOTION by **Supervisor Razzano**, seconded by **Councilwoman Quinn**, to authorize the payment of bills in the amount of $72,523.44 from the General Disbursement Account, representing bills that were payable upon receipt. Breakdown as follows:

PPG	15-01477 thru 15-01479, PPG 15-01468	$ 2,294.64
PPWS	15-01463 thru 15-01467	$70,228.80
PPWS	15-01469 thru 15-001470, PPWS 15-01480	

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MOTION by **Supervisor Razzano**, seconded by **Councilwoman Quinn**, to authorizing payment of bills from the General Disbursement Account in the amount of $285,937.44. Breakdown as follows:

General Fund	G15-01486 thru 01577 G15-01624 thru 01626	$66,248.69
Highway Fund	H15-01578 thru 01623	$187,302.73
Water/Sewer Districts	WS15-01627 thru 01674	$32,386.02

WATER/SEWER BREAKDOWN:

Robinn Meadows Sewer District	3,858.02
Robinn Meadows Water District	8,264.71
Ridgebury Lake Acres Sewer District	3,415.50
Ridgebury Lake Acres Water District	1,135.11
Denton Hills Water District	741.15
Arluck Water District	1,166.52
Water Districts #1	8,691.29
Sewer Districts #1	5,113.72
Water/Sewer Total =	$32,386.02

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MOTION by **Supervisor Razzano**, seconded by **Councilman Green**, to pay the following vendors for services or goods rendered in reference to the following:

MCGOEY, HAUSER AND EDSALL

- CPV (Planning Board) - $764.50
- CPV Escrow 002 – Env Inspection Fee - $3,056.73
- Prestige - $773.25
- Equity Homes - $229.40
- Barcarella - $28.65
- Kent Farm - $177.45
- 1191 Dolsontown Road - $22.55
- Pine Lane / Panattoni - $208.50
- Dombal - $128.23
- EBS Farm / Shapiro - $198.45
- EBS Hoops Rd / Shapiro - $83.70

Payment will be made through the Special Trust and Agency and charged to the individual Escrow Account listed above.

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MOTION by **Supervisor Razzano**, seconded by **Councilwoman Quinn**, to reimburse the following account for invoices or expenses in reference to the following escrow accounts:

7020.4A
- Town Picnic - $5,818.19

Payment will be made through the Special Trust and Agency Account and charges to the individual Escrow Accounts listed above.

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BUDGET TRANSFERS & SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS:
Town Bookkeeper, **Howard Goldstein**, provided a list of recommended Budget Transfers and Supplemental Appropriations, as follows:

BUDGET TRANSFERS:
GENERAL FUND:

FROM ACCOUNT	AMOUNT	TO ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
A1990.400	14,000.00	A1420.101	14,000.00
A1990.400	2,000.00	A1440.100	2,000.00
A1620.400	500.00	A1620.200	500.00
A1990.400	1,000.00	A1995.400	1,000.00
A4020.200	150.00	A4020.100	150.00
A1990.400	16,500.00	A7140.200	16,500.00

BUDGET TRANSFERS:
WATER & SEWER FUND:

RIDGEBURY LAKE WATER DISTRICT

FROM ACCOUNT	TO ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
FRLA 8130.400	FRLA 8310.400	400.00

ARLUCK WATER DISTRICT

FROM ACCOUNT	TO ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
FAWD 8320.400	FAWD 8130.400	580.00

DENTON WATER DISTRICT

FROM ACCOUNT	TO ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
FAWD 8130.400	FAWD 8310.400	300.00

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SUPPLIMENTAL APPROPRIATION AUGUST 2014
GENERAL FUND "A"

REVENUE ACCOUNT	AMOUNT	EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
A03-1289	500.00	A5650-000	500.00
A03-0599	9,500.00	A5132.200	9,500.00

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT (SURPLUS)

REVENUE ACCOUNT	AMOUNT	EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
DM 03-2665	19,750.00	DM5130.200	19,750.00
DM 03-2665	2,250.00	DM5130.400	2,250.00

RIDGEBURY LAKE ACRES SEWER DISTRICT

REVENUE ACCOUNT	AMOUNT	EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
RLASD 03-0599	RLASD 8120.400	580.00	
RLASD 03-0599	RLASD 8130.400	7,200.00	

MOTION by **Supervisor Razzano**, seconded by **Councilwoman Quinn**, to authorize the Town Bookkeeper, Howard Goldstein, to make Budget Transfers and Supplemental appropriations, as recommended.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Kathryn Sherlock, Town Clerk has requested approval of the minutes of the July 2, 2015 and August 6, 2015 Business Meeting's.

MOTION by **Supervisor Razzano,** seconded by **Councilman Green**, to approve the minutes of the, July 2, 2015 and the August 6, 2015 Business Meetings.

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2016 TENTATIVE BUDGET: **Supervisor Razzano** noted that the Tentative Budget had been filed with the Town Clerk.
Prior to this meeting, the Town Clerk had provided each Board member with a copy of the Supervisor's proposed budget.
Supervisor Razzano continued on to explain that as presented, and for the tenth year in a row the budget has been slightly reduced for both the Town and Highway. For the year 2016 the proposed reduction is 5% and added that the Town Budget has been reduced by 26% over the past 10 years.
Supervisor Razzano announced that the Workshop on the 2016 Budget will take place at the October 20th, 2015, Town Board Workshop meeting.
Additional discussion took place.

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MCVEIGH ROAD REQUEST FOR RAOD CLOSURE FOR TRICK OR TREATING:
Supervisor Razzano addressed **Mary Bennis,** a resident of McVeigh Road, and said that the Town Board is in receipt of the petition requesting the closure of McVeigh Road on October 31st, 2015, so the children could Trick or Treat safely. He continued on to explain that the Town cannot shut down a road for a few hours under any other circumstance except for an emergency situation, and that if we were to even consider doing so we would be opening up a can of worms.
Councilman Chase spoke and explained that the Town does hold a "Trunk or Treat" at Shannen Park and that this event was certainly a safe and enjoyable alternative for the children on Halloween.
Councilman Green stated that his main concern would be with emergency vehicles trying to reach Orange Reginal Medical Center or any other location in the area if such a situation should occur.
Councilman Cole concurred with **Councilman Green's** comments and said that hopefully the Town Park on Ryerson Road would be at a point where the residents in New Hampton would be able to hold a "Trunk of Treat" on that site in 2016.
Ms. Bennis explained that she has never been able to take her child Trick or Treating on the road because of the situation with the traffic. She just wanted to give her child and all of the other children on that road and opportunity to be with their friends to "Trick or Treat". She continued on to say that her child attends the Goshen School District and every year she has to travel into Goshen and was just looking to be able to "Trick or Treat" in her neighborhood for once. Added that she is aware of the "Trunk or Treat" in Shannen Park and said that the children who attend that all go to the Minisink Valley School and her child would not know anyone.
Additional discussion took place.

HIRING OF APPRAISER / TOWN OWNED PROPERTY:
Supervisor Razzano discussed that the Town is in need of hiring an Appraiser to obtain a value for Easements on five separate town owned properties. He continued on to explain that **Armstrong Appraisals** has be strongly recommend and said that they specialize in just Easements.
Supervisor Razzano advised the Board that he had met with them today and provided them with all of the information and is expecting to hear from them soon with a quote.
After a brief discussion it was determined that the Board did not want to spend any more than $6,500.00 for this service and would approve Armstrong Appraisals as long as the quote did not exceed that amount
Additional discussion took place.

MOTION by **Supervisor Razzano**, seconded by **Councilman Cole**, to authorize the hiring of **Armstrong Appraisals** at a cost not to exceed $6,500.00, to obtain a value for Easements on 5 town properties.

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Fall Clean Up Days / Correspondence: Supervisor Razzano read aloud a letter from **Barbara Lubasch** expressing her sincere appreciation the town for our Fall Clean Up Days and all the help received from all employees who worked that day.
Supervisor Razzano also extending his appreciation to all of the Employees who worked both Saturdays to make it a success.

Solar Panel Installation / Town Hall Property:
Councilman Chase stated that **Solar City** is currently working with **Orange & Rockland Utilities** to complete the Interconnection paper and anticipates that the panels will be installed in April of 2016.

Robinn Meadows Water District Update:
Supervisor Razzano provided all of those in attendance with the events that have been taking place with getting the wells on line in the Robinn Meadows Water District and believes that we are still a few months out with getting them on line.

Emergency Management Course:
Councilwoman Quinn noted that she will be taking at 2 day Emergency Management Course at West Point.

PUBLIC COMMENTS & QUESTIONS:
Frank Thompson a resident of **Hampton Meadows Road,** addressed the Board and said that the Highway Department had recently paved his road. He continued on to say the he believed that too much blacktop had been used which made the road higher than his driveway. Also, he disagreed with the installation of the curbs.
After a lengthy discussion it was determined that **Councilman Cole** and **Councilman Chase** would visit the site in an effort to resolve Mr. Thompson's concerns.

No other comments or questions.

MOTION by **Supervisor Razzano,** seconded by **Councilman Cole,** to adjourn the meeting.
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MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:52 P.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Kathryn A. Sherlock
Town Clerk

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