

May 9, 2016 the regular meeting of the town board was held with Councilmen Greenough and Barber absent. Supervisor Gang led the pledge to the flag. A motion to accept the previous month's minutes was made by Coun. Wilbur and seconded by Coun. Raymond and all were in favor. A motion was made to pay the audited bills by Coun. Wilbur and seconded by Coun. Raymond and all were in favor.

Old Business: The audit for 2012 continues but nearing the end. Sup. Gang was contacted by the State Comptroller's Office and they will be conducting another audit of the town's financial statements. The current month's financial statements were given to the board and are on file in the Town Clerk's office. There is nothing new to report and we are in the same position as last month. The State of New York will be sending most of the FEMA money within the next 10 days. The State also accepted the insurance coverage changes for the upcoming year and the changes were in the verbiage to the contract because the state wanted different format so the Supervisor needed to refill out the paperwork but we are still waiting for a phone call from the DEC to help fill it out. However, there is no word on when the money will be sent. A quote was given to Coun. Greenough prior to him leaving to go out of town and because he is absent there is nothing new to discuss at tonight's meeting. The local dog law for Hampton is being considered for our town however revisions will need to be done to suit our needs.

New Business: The Red Top is in the process renewing their liquor license and it is required for them to notify the Town of their intent to operate. Unless there is a reason for them to not proceed with their license there is nothing the Town needs to do. **Resolution #13-2016** titled **Budget Amendment, General** moves money to cover Bill Borden's unemployment expenses was put forth by Coun. Wilbur, and seconded by Coun. Raymond and all were in favor. A FOIL request was sent to the town by email and Sup. Gang responded. It seems the FOIL is from a software company looking to solicit a program for the Town records. Sup. Gang will be determining the sewer Operation and Maintenance fees in the next few weeks and will be getting the bills sent out to each of the districts once the addresses are verified. A letter was given to Sup. Gang addressing the pump replacements. A meeting should be held for District #2 to discuss what to expect when pumps need to be replaced. There are some homes that have never been replaced and some have had more than one. Coun. Wilbur brought up about the sign to be dedicated to Maynard Rushias years of employment. A date will be set after Mrs. Rushia is contacted and will be announced at a later time. The town clerk announced she will be taking a trip June 1 through June 7 and will be out of the office. Coun. Raymond brought up that there is grant money available to the town court. There has to be a plan to bring to the grant panel who offers the grant. The town and the judges for the court will need to work together to pursue this.

Highway Superintendent's Report: Mr. Hobus brought up that he has been in contact with Whitehall Highway Superintendent and Town Supervisor about a truck they will be putting up for sale or auction. Mr. Hobus is searching for another vehicle to use since our trucks are out of commission for the time being. It is a 2003 one ton diesel. They have a 5 year rotation of vehicles and this truck is next to be sold and they are willing to offer it at a good price. The dump truck will begin to be sued for the weed program soon and this could replace it. After much discussion about the town's fleet of vehicles it is decided that a tandem truck will be necessary before another one ton. The price of scrap metal is still low right now so there is some material that can be taken in for scrap but we are waiting for the prices to go back up. Since the last meeting the crew has spent most of their time cutting and removing brush and trees from Pike Brook, Goldey, and Sunset Bay Roads. They also replaced a culvert on Cat Den Road with 40 foot of 15 inch black plastic and used about 40 tons of #4 material to tamp and cover the new culvert. We had to rebroom parts of Pike Brook, North, and Cross Roads due to sand buildup. The Town of Putnam swept McKinsrty, Steele, and part of Crusher Hill Roads. Two loads of pine logs that were taken from Sunset Bay Road were brought to Jim Brown's. He will saw these logs with his sawmill so we can use them for future building projects. As for maintenance the crew flipped the blades in the chipper and a new set of replacement blades were ordered. We purchased a new pole saw from Country Power Products in Greenwich and saved 19%. We have recently purchased 180 feet of 18 inch and 180 feet of 15 inch smooth bore culverts for future projects. Mr. Hobus has tried to reach out to National Grid for power pole relocation for our new salt shed but they have not responded. Finally, he contacted New York State FEMA specialist James Casey about the T-11 bridge funding and he said that FEMA had just received the paperwork. It was submitted in late October 2015 and it was received March 16, 2016. He requested a payment from finance last week and said we should be receiving about \$103,000 within 10 to 14 days. There were no further discussions and the meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m. Respectfully submitted
Marcinda Wilbur, Town Clerk.

Attendance: Scott Brown