

MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF CATSKILL BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
February 13, 2013

PRESENT: President Vincent Seeley  
Vice President Patrick McCulloch  
Trustee Joseph Kozloski  
Trustee Brian Kehoe  
ABSENT: Trustee James Chewens

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

The Village of Catskill Board of Trustees will hold a Public Hearing for the purpose of amending local laws to the existing Village of Catskill Zoning Regulations.

The Public Hearing will be held on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2013, at 7:00 PM, at the Catskill Senior Center, Academy St., Catskill, NY, to hear comments and concerns of the residents of the Village of Catskill.

The changes to the above-mentioned Local Laws are open for inspection at the office of the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of Village Hall, 422 Main St., Catskill, NY, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 2:00 PM Monday - Friday.

Motion made by McCulloch, seconded by Trustee Kehoe, to open the Public Hearing.

Nancy Richards gave a run-down on the amendments being made to the Zoning Laws. Much that the Zoning Board does, the Planning Board also does, so there will be much less duplication of the Boards.

Bill Zwoboda, of the Planning Board, stated that no substantial changes have been made. Just what issues have arisen over the past few years. The Boards wanted to simplify the process and that the beginning level of the process should start with the Planning Board. There were no changes to the 'site plan' review process.

The Boards would like to see smaller signs and were more favorable towards projection signs, which tend to go with the architecture of the Village. Nancy Richards further mentioned that there were no other sign changes.

President Seeley thanked both the Zoning and Planning Boards, and Nancy Richards for all of the hard work involved in this regard. Trustees Kehoe, McCulloch and Kozloski went onto further thank the Boards and Nancy for good job done.

Motion made by McCulloch, seconded by Kozloski, to close the Public Hearing. AYES: All Trustees present. Motion carried.

Motion made by McCulloch, seconded by Kozloski, to declare Village of Catskill Board of Trustees as the Lead Agency for the Local Law No. 1 of 2013. The Village Board hereby identifies this project as an 'unlisted action' and a coordinated review will not take place. The Village Board hereby directs the Village attorney to file a negative declaration with the Village Clerk. AYES: All Trustees present. Motion carried.

Motion made by McCulloch, seconded by Kehoe, to pass Local Law No.: 1-2013 as drafted and make the filing with the Secretary of State office.

**AGENDA:**

Motion made by McCulloch, second by Kozloski, to approve payment of audited bills. AYES: All Trustees present. Motion carried.

Motion made by McCulloch, second by Kozloski, to approve Department reports. AYES: All Trustees present. Motion carried.

Motion made by McCulloch, seconded by Kehoe, to approve the appointment of Hudson Talbot to the CLDC (Catskill Local Development Corp.). AYES: All Trustees present. Motion carried.

Motion made by Kehoe, seconded by Kozloski, to approve the appointment of James Chewens to the CLDC (Catskill Local Development Corp.). AYES: All Trustees present. Motion carried.

Motion made by McCulloch, seconded by Kozloski, to appoint Rick Paolino to take over Charles Beppler's term on the Planning Board. Mr. Beppler has resigned due to moving out of the Village. His term has 1 ½ years left.

Motion made by McCulloch, seconded by Kozloski, to appoint John Holt, Jr. to the Zoning Board, in turn, replacing Rick Paolino on the ZBA.

Motion made by Kozloski, seconded by McCulloch, to approve Resolution No. 3-2013, a copy of which is attached herein. AYES: All Trustees present. Motion carried.

Motion made by Kehoe, seconded by McCulloch, to approve Resolution No. 4-2013, a copy of which is attached herein. AYES: All Trustees present. Motion carried.

Motion made by Kozloski, seconded by McCulloch, to award Ed Morelli the position of Wastewater Plant Operator. This position was vacated when John Amirault retired.

Motion made by McCulloch, seconded by Kozloski, to hire Shain Larsen as part-time dispatcher. AYES: All Trustees present. Motion carried.

Motion made by McCulloch, seconded by Kozloski, to hire Ralph Wagenbaugh as part-time dispatcher. AYES: All Trustees present. Motion carried.

Motion made by McCulloch, seconded by Kozloski, to hire Eric Colon as part-time police

officer. AYES: All Trustees present. Motion carried.

President Seeley discussed his attendance at the Board of Education budget meeting seeking funding for having police officers in the schools. President Seeley asked the BOE for \$97,000.00 for 2 officers in the schools. BOE is aware of the predicament that the Village is in and that they will consider same for their next year's budget. Chief Darling will be meeting with personnel from the school to try and work out a plan that works for everyone. Will keep the Board apprised of the outcome of said meetings.

President Seeley announced that budget workshops (Budget 101) will be held on Friday, March 8, 2013 at 6:00 PM at the Senior Center.

President Seeley mentioned that the oil tanks at the Point which are owned by Getty, will be up for auction on March 7<sup>th</sup>. The minimum asking price is \$450,000. The property will be purchased "as is", and the new owner would be responsible for the removal of the tanks, or any issues that might arise from said tanks (i.e., leaks and such). Scenic Hudson has developed 'flood plain' predictions and these could change the riverfront area in the future. President Seeley asked both the Zoning and Planning Boards to be aware of possible 'flippers' purchasing said property and to be careful as to what the intended purchaser will want to use the property for. The auction will be 'sealed' bids only.

Vice-President McCulloch informed the Board that James Chewens was placed back on the 'active' list for the Catskill Fire Department.

**OPEN:**

Trustee Kozloski mentioned that DPW did an excellent job with snow removal during the most recent snowstorm.

Nate Prest also complimented the snow removal job done by Lew O'Connor and the DPW crew, especially the sidewalks on Main Street. Mr. Prest also stated that he felt that the police at the schools should be a line item on the school's budget.

Lillian Johnson also stated that the Village residents shouldn't bear the burden of the police in the schools and that it should be shared with the Town.

Stan Raven also stated that the recent snow removal was done very well and also asked about signs regarding same. Lew O'Connor stated that it is the residents' responsibility to find out about snow emergencies in the Village.

Dana Hanusik mentioned that someone is plowing big piles of snow onto the Agway sidewalk and that if anyone sees this being done, to please contact the police and report same.

Trustee Kozloski made mention that he and President Seeley attended the New Legislator Orientation, where they learned how similar most of the counties are in this state. He further stated that the tax cap will be an issue in the future as will pensions.

Motion made by McCulloch, seconded by Kozloski, to adjourn the meeting and to go into executive session.

Respectfully submitted,

BETSY COTHREN

**RESOLUTION NO.: 3 - 2013**

**AUTHORIZATION AND APPROPRIATION OF  
LOCAL MATCH (20%) OF GRANT**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT:

RESOLVED, that the Village of Catskill authorizes and appropriates a minimum of twenty (20%) percent local match as required by the Engineering Planning Grant Program for the Village of Catskill Sewage Pump Station Engineering Study Project. Under the Engineering Planning Grant Program, this local match must be at least twenty (20%) percent of the total project cost. The maximum local share appropriated, subject to any changes agreed to by the Village President, shall not exceed \$8,120.00, based upon the total estimated maximum project cost of \$38,120.00. The Village President may increase this local match through the use of in-kind services without further approval from the Village of Catskill.

On a motion made by Trustee Kozloski, seconded by Trustee McCulloch, the following was  
ADOPTED                   AYES: All Trustees present  
                                  NAYES: None

I, COLLEEN M. MOSLEY, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution passed by the Village Board of the Village of Catskill at its regular Village Board meeting held on February 13, 2013, and the Members of the Village Board had due notice of said meeting, and further, that such Resolution has been fully recorded in the Village Clerk's books.

In Witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand the        day of February, 2013.

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COLLEEN M. MOSLEY,  
Village Clerk  
Village of Catskill

**RESOLUTION NO.: 4 - 2013**

**SEQR TYPE II DETERMINATION RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, 6 NYCRR Section 617.5 (Title 6 of the New York State Code of Rules and Regulations) under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQR) provides that certain actions identified in subdivision ( c ) of that section are not subject to environmental review under the Environmental Conservation Law;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT:**

**RESOLVED**, that the Village of Catskill hereby determines that the proposed Village of Catskill Sewer Pump Station Engineering Study is a Type II action in accordance with the 6 NYCRR 617.5 subdivision ( c ) paragraphs (1), (2), (18), and (21), which constitutes the following:

( 1 ) maintenance or repair involving no substantial changes in an existing structure or facility;

( 2 ) replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site, including upgrading buildings to meet building or fire codes, unless such action meets or exceeds any of the thresholds in section 617.4 of this Part;

( 18 ) information collection including basic data collection and research, water quality and pollution studies, traffic counts, engineering studies, surveys, subsurface investigations and soils studies that do not commit the agency to undertake, fund or approve any Type I or Unlisted action;

( 21 ) conducting concurrent environmental, engineering, economic, feasibility and other studies and preliminary planning and budgetary processes necessary to the formation of a proposal for action, provided those activities do not commit the agency to commence, engage in or approve such action;

And is therefore not subject to review under 6 NYCRR Part 617.

On a motion made by Trustee Kehoe, seconded by Trustee McCulloch, the following was  
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                                  NAYES: None

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