

STONY POINT TOWN BOARD MEETING – NOVEMBER 25, 2014

The Town Board of the Town of Stony Point convened in Regular Session on Tuesday, November 25, 2014 at 7:00 pm at the Stony Point Community Center (Rho Building), 5 Clubhouse Lane, Stony Point, NY. Supervisor Geoffrey Finn called the meeting to order and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Town Clerk Joan Skinner called the following roll:

PRESENT:	Mr. Tom Basile	Councilman
	Mr. James White	Councilman (arrived at 7:41 pm)
	Mr. Jim Monaghan	Councilman
	Mr. Geoffrey Finn	Supervisor
ABSENT:	Mr. Karl Javenes	Councilman

PUBLIC INPUT

Susan Filqueras, Mott Farm Rd., spoke regarding a meeting with Congresswoman Nita Lowey where she agreed to write a letter to the Army Corp requesting clarification of what is in the Presidential Permit and the EIS regarding the route to be taken for the Champlain Hudson Power Express project.

Susan submitted the following statement regarding that meeting:
On Monday Nov 24, 2014, Tom Basile, George Potanovic and I met with Congresswoman Lowey and requested that she write a letter asking the Army Corps of Engineers to clarify the discrepancies in the Presidential Permit and the Environmental Impact Statement. Annie Wilson, Senior Energy Policy Advisor of the NY Law and Environmental Justice Project attended by phone.

In reviewing the Environmental Impact Statement and comparing it to the Presidential Permit they discovered that Hydro Quebec had changed the route from Canada into the United States via New York State.

Annie began a series of correspondence with first the Army Corps - Jun_Yan, who is reviewing the “DA Permit Application Number NAN-2009-01089-EYA”. She outline the different routes to Jun and he referred her to Brian Mills of the Department of Energy.

George Potanovic – Old Gate Hill Rd spoke about:

- Champlain Hudson Power Express project
 - Thanked Councilman Basile for attending meeting with Congresswoman Nita Lowey
- Proposed Gasification Plant
 - Haverstraw’s accusations
 - Asked that a set of documents be placed in the library
 - All information should be made available to the public

Shawn Pezzementi – 12 Lindburg Rd. spoke regarding an ongoing situation with one of her neighbors.

PURCHASE ORDER REQUEST

A motion was made by Councilman Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Basile and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of all board members present to approve the following two purchase orders:

Emergency Preparedness		
PO#2639	Dell Computer Corp.	\$1,380.00
Golf Course		
PO#2635	Metro Turf Specialties	\$11,820.00

AUDIT OF BILLS

Joan Skinner, Town Clerk, presented the following bills to the Town Board for audit and a motion was made by Supervisor Finn, seconded by Councilman Monaghan and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of all board members present to approve the bills as presented for payment.

General – Nov. 25, 2014

<u>General</u>	1383-1391	\$ 185,402.87
<u>Highway</u>	411-413	\$ 19,473.83
<u>Sewer</u>	368-370	\$ 14,650.41
<u>Special Districts</u>		
Enterprise	448-451	\$ 8,647.93
Solid Waste	29-29	\$ 1,672.00
Street Lighting	11-11	\$ 26,987.61

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Finn spoke about:

CORRESPONDENCE

Dear Supervisor Finn – Wayne Hose Company #1, Inc. has been selling Christmas trees for the past few years as means of raising money to donate to local families less fortunate than ourselves. The money raised is distributed through several churches in our community.

Due to the charitable nature of this sale, Wayne Hose Company would be most appreciative if the Town of Stony Point would waive any permit fees required to sell Christmas trees.

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact the company President, Kristen Wicks at 786-3386 or myself at 429-0964.

Sincerely, Kevin M. Huslinger II – Christmas Tree Committee Chairman

WAIVE CHRISTMAS TREE PERMIT FEE

A motion was made by Supervisor Finn, seconded by Councilmen Basile and Monaghan and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of all board members present to waive the permit fee for Wayne Hose Company No. 1 to sell Christmas trees.

COUNCILMAN WHITE ARRIVED AT THIS POINT IN THE MEETING.

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING – SIGN LAW

At 7:41 pm Supervisor Finn asked for public input.

PUBLIC INPUT

George Potanovic, Old Gate Hill Rd., indicated that he is opposed to using public streets for advertising and doesn't see the benefit to the Town by installing an electronic sign. He asked that any new information regarding this law be distributed prior to the December 9th meeting so there is an opportunity to review it.

APPOINTMENT ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

This matter was tabled to the December 9, 2014 Town Board meeting.

ACCEPT RESIGNATION – PLANNING BOARD

A motion was made by Supervisor Finn, seconded by Councilman Basile and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of those board members present to reluctantly accept the resignation, due to poor health, of Gladys Callaghan from the Planning Board effective 12/31/14. Supervisor Finn expressed thanks to Mrs. Callaghan for her dedicated service to the Town.

TAX RECEIVER'S CREDIT CARD FEE INCREASE

This matter was tabled to the December 9, 2014 Town Board meeting.

ASSOCIATION OF TOWNS

A motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Basile and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of all board members present to authorize payment of \$1,500 for membership dues to the Association of Towns.

INSTALLATION OF METER HOT BOX AT VETERANS PARK

A motion was made by Supervisor Finn, seconded by Councilman Basile and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of all board members present to accept the proposal from Environmental Construction for installation of a new hot box with heater around the existing 6" water line and meter at Veterans Park in the amount of \$24,500, to be paid for with monies taken from the Building and Facility Improvement Fund, subject to permissive referendum. Such notice of the permissive referendum shall be published/posted within 10 days of the November 28, 2013 Town Board meeting.

ACCEPT PAYMENT – COUNTER TERRORISM TRAINING

A motion was made by Supervisor Finn, seconded by Councilman Basile and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of all board members present to accept reimbursement from the County of Rockland for counter terrorism training under the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) and LETPP Homeland Security Grant Program in the amount of \$16,726.56.

TOM GUBITOSA – PLANNING BOARD CHAIRMAN

Mr. Gubitosa spoke regarding the New Planet Sustainable Fuels proposed project, indicating that the Planning Board has a process in place to review and distribute information to interested agencies. SPACE was only added to the list of interested agencies this week and that is why Haverstraw and other agencies received the information earlier. The applicant has requested an informational meeting, which will be held on January 8, 2015 at Farley School at 7:00pm at which time they will explain the operations of the plant.

CLOSE OF MEETING

The November 25, 2014 Stony Point Town Board meeting was closed in memory of Robert Morlang who passed away earlier this week. Mr. Morlang was a long time member of the Stony Point Zoning Board of Appeals and facilitator of the Emergency Operations Program for the town.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Supervisor Finn, seconded by Councilman Basile and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of all board members present to adjourn into executive session at 8:02 pm. Supervisor Finn announced that no votes would be taken.

ADJOURN

The November 25, 2014 Stony Point Town Board meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm. No further votes were taken.

Respectfully submitted

Joan Skinner – Town Clerk