

**STONY POINT TOWN BOARD MEETING – JULY 22, 2014**

The Town Board of the Town of Stony Point convened in Regular Session on Tuesday, July 22, 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. Karl Javenes Councilman  
Mr. James White Councilman  
Mr. Jim Monaghan Councilman  
Mr. Geoffrey Finn Supervisor

ABSENT: None

**PUBLIC INPUT**

George Potanovic – Old Gate Hill Rd spoke indicating that the public should be involved in any change to the Local Waterfront Revitalization Program.

Susan Filgueras, Mott Farm Rd., spoke about the proposed school on Kay Fries Drive, the sewer plant and asked what is considered the legal map of record for CHIPE since there are different ones in existence.

Supervisor Finn spoke indicating that Stony Point is not against bringing a school for autistic children to the area; however, the proposed site in an industrial zoned area is not the appropriate site for the school.

**PURCHASE ORDER REQUEST**

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

Highway			
	PO#2604	Trius Inc.	\$1,563.50
	PO#2605	Asbestx	\$1,000.00
	PO#2606	Westchester Tractor Inc.	\$2,673.78

**AUDIT OF BILLS**

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

**CHANGE ABSTRACT FUND BALANCE**

A motion was made by Supervisor Finn, seconded by Councilman Basile and unanimously carried by a voice vote of those board members present to authorize a change in the Abstract for July 8, 2014. The Enterprise Fund Total recorded on Page 2 was incorrect. The amount reported was \$35,814.58; the correct amount and change is \$36,983.89.

**Contractual General – July 22, 2014**

<u>FUND</u>	<u>CLAIM #</u>	<u>BILL TOTAL</u>	<u>FUND TOTAL</u>
General	854-884	\$ 148,709.19	\$ 148,709.19
Highway	272-274	\$ 2,038.39	\$ 2,038.39
Sewer	234-238	\$ 1,502.56	\$ 1,502.56
Special Districts			
Enterprise	282-291	\$ 18,204.31	\$ 18,204.31
<b><u>General – July 22, 2014</u></b>			
General	885-892		\$ 158,424.46

<u>Highway</u>	275-275	\$	17,073.77
<u>Sewer</u>	239-240	\$	17,268.14
<u>Special Districts</u>			
Enterprise Fund	292-293	\$	7,129.25

**MINUTES** - None

**SUPERVISOR'S REPORT**

Supervisor Finn spoke about:

- Praised the lifeguards on duty at our pool for conducting two saves today.
- New diving board has finally been installed at the pool.
- Reminded everyone of the Wednesday night concerts at Riverfront Park.
- Recreation Dept is sponsoring "After Dark in the Park" on August 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Possible sites for a proposed Food Waste Digestion Plant
  - Supervisor read the following letter that was sent to the Town of Haverstraw, Village of West Haverstraw, Village of Haverstraw and North Rockland School District:

*The tax burden in New York State is heavy on our Residents. We in North Rockland need to find a special way to attract good and clean commercial tax ratables to lessen the burden on our residents. Each municipality in North Rockland not working cooperatively in that effort does not help all residents in our municipalities and most importantly in our North Rockland School District. Therefore, to encourage economic development that can benefit all North Rockland residents I am asking you to join me and help form a new **Economic Development in North Rockland Committee (EDINRC)**.*

*The **EDINRC** will consist of one elected official other than Town Supervisors or Mayors, and one other non-elected official interested in economic development. The North Rockland Central School District representatives will consist of two Board members and one union representative. Each Municipality will designate the two who will represent each municipality. Members of the **EDINRC** will meet as needed to discuss and implement approaches to encourage economic development in North Rockland in a way that is specific to the needs and interests of all in North Rockland. All **EDINRC** Meetings will be open to the public and the recommendations as well as results of the **EDINRC** Meetings will be shared with all municipality boards and their Chief Executive Officers as well as the public immediately.*

*Please join with me in making the **EDINRC** something that can benefit all in North Rockland, but most important of all, benefit all North Rockland residential taxpayers who need our help at this time. I look forward to hearing from you.*

- Tonight's meeting will be closed in loving memory of William Malloy, a life-long resident of Stony Point, owner and operator of Malloy's Pharmacy and member of the Stony Point Ambulance Corp. who recently passed away at age 96; and James Monaghan, Father of Councilman Monaghan, whose dedication to his country and community is well noted.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT/BUSINESS**

- **REPLACEMENT OF BODY ARMOR**  
A motion was made by Supervisor Finn, seconded by Councilman White and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of those board members present to authorize the replacement of Body Armor using the Federal BVP Grant and asset forfeiture funds.

- **APPROVE ATTENDANCE AT FBI BASIC SWAT SCHOOL**

A motion was made by Supervisor Finn, seconded by Councilman Basile and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of those board members present to approve the request to send an officer assigned to REACT to the FBI Basic SWAT School at Fort Dix, New Jersey from September 22 – October 3, 2014, at a cost to the town not to exceed \$1410.00.

**CORRESPONDENCE** – None

**PROCLAMATION**

Supervisor Finn presented Edward Onderdonk with the following presentation and urged everyone to attend the fundraiser for him to be held on Saturday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**THE TOWN OF STONY POINT  
PROCLAMATION  
HONORING  
EDWARD ONDERDONK**

**WHEREAS**, it is appropriate to honor and recognize Citizens of the Town of Stony Point who have distinguished themselves in service to our Town.

**WHEREAS**, attendant to such concern, I Geoffrey Finn, Supervisor of the Town of Stony Point, in accord with the proud traditions of the Town commend Edward Onderdonk for the years of service he has given the Community of Stony Point.

**WHEREAS**, Edward Onderdonk was born in Stony Point, educated in the North Rockland Schools, married his wife Kathleen and settled in the Town to raise his family and continue his family's traditions.

**WHEREAS**, his desire to be involved in the Community led Edward to become active with the Boy Scouts, Little League, a Volunteer with his local Parish as a Eucharistic Minister, and presently and for many years a Volunteer with the Stony Point Ambulance Corps as an EMT.

**WHEREAS**, he continues to serve the Community in all of these capacities, let it be noted that Edward Onderdonk has already left an indelible imprint on the Town of Stony Point with his enthusiastic spirit, and merits the gratitude and appreciation of all. Now let it be

**PROCLAIMED** that I, Geoffrey Finn, acting on behalf of the Town Board, pause and honor Edward Onderdonk and proclaim August 2, 2014 Edward Onderdonk Day in the Town of Stony Point.

**RESOLVED**, that a copy of this Proclamation be spread on the Town Board minutes and a suitably embossed copy of the Proclamation be given to Edward Onderdonk.

**HIGHWAY GARAGE BAN**

Discussion between the Town Board and the Finance Director ensued regarding a Highway Garage Ban with a \$380,000 balance. This ban is at the end of its ban life and must either be paid off or refinanced with a bond by May 2015. No was taken at this time.

**SURPLUS – TRUCK LIFT HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

A motion was made by Councilman Javenes, seconded by Councilman Basile and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of all board members present to authorize the Highway Department to surplus the used truck lift, sell it at auction with the proceeds to go to Sale of Equipment-Restricted.

**APPROVE EMERGENCY TREE REMOVAL - RHO**

A motion was made by Supervisor Finn, seconded by Councilman Javenes and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of all board members present to authorize

emergency tree removal at the RHO building by Cedar Pond Tree Service at a cost to the town of \$2500.00 as the tree in question had been struck by lightning.

#### **APPROVE EMERGENCY SERVICE FOR FLOW METER – SEWER DEPARTMENT**

A motion was made by Supervisor Finn, seconded by Councilman Basile and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of all board members present to authorize the emergency repair of the flow meter located at the Sewer Department by Controlex Service Corp at a cost of \$8,385.00.

#### **REVIEW AND APPROVE FINANCE DEPT. DESK DESCRIPTIONS**

A motion was made by Supervisor Finn, seconded by Councilman Javenes and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of all board members present to approve the Finance Department desk descriptions as suggested by the State Comptroller's Office Auditor and on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

#### **ACCEPT RESIGNATION**

A motion was made by Supervisor Finn, seconded by Councilman Basile and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of those board members present to accept the resignation of our Fire Inspector Tim Duffy, and hire Thomas Larkin as our interim Fire Inspector at the same rate of pay starting August 1, 2014.

#### **DEMOLITION OF DAMAGED WATERFRONT HOMES**

Supervisor Finn updated the situation regarding waterfront housing damaged by Super Storm Sandy. We are in the process of obtaining three quotes for removal of two bank owned homes, both of which are on Beach Road. The hope is that by our next meeting, progress will have been made at least with these two properties.

#### **DISCUSS ENGINEER WORK**

Kevin Maher, Town Engineer, addressed the board regarding the sanitary sewer system. The Town has been put on an Order of Consent to cure its inflow and infiltration problems with the system. Several problems have been identified and others remain which must be addressed. No action was taken on this matter at this time.

#### **DISCUSS RFP FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES**

Kevin Maher, Town Engineer, addressed the board regarding our obligation to investigate our storm water outfalls and in particular those outfalls that have dry weather flow. (Fluids leaving a pipe 72 hours after a storm event.) Some of the areas have been identified but our sewer lab does not have the capability to run the mandated tests to identify what is in the runoff. We need to hire someone to identify all of the map co-ordinates to appropriately mark the maps and to identify the discharge from these outfalls. No action was taken on this matter at this time.

#### **ORANGE & ROCKLAND MUNICIPAL STREET LIGHT AGREEMENT**

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 agreement with Orange & Rockland Utilities, Inc., for a Municipal Street Light Portal that will allow electronic communication between O&R and the Town of Stony Point.

#### **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 8:00 pm to discuss a PBA grievance. Supervisor Finn announced that a vote would possibly be taken.

#### **RECONVENE**

At 8:20 pm a motion was made by Councilman Basile, seconded by Councilman Javenes and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of all board members present to reconvene the July 22<sup>nd</sup> Stony Point Town Board meeting.

**PBA GRIEVANCE**

A motion was made by Councilman Basile, seconded by Supervisor Finn and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of all board members present to authorize Special Counsel to institute an Article 75 Proceeding to stay arbitration in the matter of a pending PBA Grievance

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 8:22 pm a motion was made by Supervisor Finn, seconded by Councilman Basile and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of those board members present to adjourn into executive session to discuss contract negotiations. No further votes will be taken.

**ADJOURN**

The July 22, 2014 Stony Point Town Board meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm. No further votes were taken.

Respectfully submitted

Joan Skinner – Town Clerk