

## **STONY POINT TOWN BOARD MEETING – March 9, 2021**

The Town Board of the Town of Stony Point convened on March 9, 2021 at 7:00 pm. This meeting was conducted via Zoom video conferencing online at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82816042434?pwd=WkpnVjZuWlcvWTY2NVFqRHZhc1ozdz09> hosted by Robert Zitt, Esq., Attorney for the Town. The meeting was also accessible by telephone at 1-929-205-6099, webinar ID: 828 1604 2434. Supervisor Monaghan called the meeting to order and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Town Clerk Megan Carey called the following roll:

PRESENT:	Mr. Thomas Basile	Councilman
	Mr. Paul Joachim	Councilman
	Mr. Michael Puccio	Councilman
	Mr. James Monaghan	Supervisor
	Mr. Robert Zitt	Esquire
ABSENT:	Mr. Karl Javenes	Councilman

### **SUPERVISOR'S REPORT**

Supervisor Monaghan reported as follows:

With more vaccines distributed, we continue to move in the right direction. However, we must continue to remain vigilant regarding the safety measures we have put in place to ensure our health. There are currently 80 confirmed cases of covid-19 in the town of Stony Point including 3 Town employees who have tested positive for the virus. We had to temporarily close access to town hall to protect the safety of the public and our employees. Currently Town Hall is open to the public with a limited staff. I would like to thank our Recreation Director Karenanne Nigro who has been working with our Stony Point seniors to help navigate the vaccine process, so far, we have been able to assist approximately 25 seniors obtain appointments for the vaccine. Unfortunately, we do not have special access to the vaccine however we continue to work together in helping more of our residents obtain the vaccine.

Tonight's 6pm NYS Department of Transportation's zoom information meeting on the design of the PIP bridge improvements was postponed. I was informed that the meeting will be rescheduled a few weeks from now with the date to be determined, soon as we have that information, we will post it on our Town Web Site.

At our January Town Board meeting the Town Board authorized the hiring of an outside appraisal company to do an independent appraisal of our town Golf Course. I anticipate that the appraisal will be finalized and available to the public possibly as soon as this week. Once the appraisal is finalized, I will have the appraisal available on our town web site. If the Town should sell the property and I believe it is in the best interest of the town to do so, we would require the following from the purchaser:

- That the Golf Course remain as a Golf Course -open and available to our residents.
- That the purchaser pays for and build a new recreation community center for our residents and seniors.
- The removal or renovation of the existing Letchworth buildings, keeping the Kirkbride building available for recreational gym use.

We have a lot on tonight's agenda including two public comment sessions, including a public comment session on the NYS Police Reform and Reinvention Collaboration and a continued public hearing on our zoning amendments. Prior to opening the public comment session, I will make a brief statement.

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT/BUSINESS**

Chief Moore read the following report:

Police Department Report for the Month of February 2021.

Number of calls for service:	610
Number of reported accidents:	30
Number of arrests:	24
(1) Felonies	(14) Misdemeanors
	(5) Violations (4) Warrants
Fuel usage:	1192.5 gallons
Sum Total of all traffic enforcement action:	42
Number of Youth Officer sponsored events:	1
Number of child safety seat installations:	0
Number of commercial vehicle enforcement details:	0
Number of traffic/special enforcement details:	0
Number of training hours:	336 hrs
Total fees collected:	\$40.25
(Foil \$15.25, Prints \$0.00, and Reports \$25.00)	

**Miscellaneous:**

Youth events: PAL Virtual meeting and no other youth events due to Covid. Future events plan to begin on March 26<sup>th</sup>-drive-in movies, etc.

**Chief Moore’s Time Record**

A motion was made by Supervisor Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Puccio and unanimously carried by a voice vote of all board members present with Councilman Javenes being absent to approve Chief Moore’s time record for the month of February 2021 as presented.

**Overtime and Sick Leave Reports**

A motion was made by Supervisor Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Basile and unanimously carried by a voice vote of all board members present with Councilman Javenes being absent to approve the overtime and sick leave reports as presented for the month of February 2021.

**GOLF COURSE REPORT**

Dave Fusco, Director of Golf, reported the Golf Course Driving Range would open next week, weather permitting.

**PURCHASE ORDER REQUEST**

A motion was made by Councilman Puccio, seconded by Councilman Basile and unanimously carried by a voice vote of those board members present with Councilman Javenes being absent to approve the following purchase orders:

Highway Dept.		
PO#3408	Federal Block	\$6,000.00

**AUDIT OF BILLS**

Megan Carey, Town Clerk, presented the following bills to the Town Board for audit and a motion was made by Councilman Puccio, seconded by Councilman Joachim and unanimously carried by a voice vote of those board members present with Councilman Javenes being absent to approve the bills as presented for payment:

**General – MARCH 9, 2021**

<u>FUND</u>	<u>CLAIM #</u>	<u>FUND TOTAL</u>
General	216-287	\$ 383,034.76
Highway	74-106	\$ 115,927.48
Sewer	62-83	\$ 33,101.85
<u>Special Districts</u>		
Ambulance	5-6	\$ 34,156.04
Enterprise	42-57	\$ 32,595.07
Solid Waste	7-8	\$ 3,003.27
Streetlight	5-5	\$ 18,656.90

**MINUTES** - A motion was made by Supervisor Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Joachim and unanimously carried by a voice vote of those board members present with Councilman Javenes being absent to approve the minutes of February 23, 2021.

**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

Megan Carey, Town Clerk offered the following reports for the record:

**Architectural Review Board**

From: 2/01/2021 To: 2/28/2021  
Applications Received 3  
Applications Approved 3  
  
Fees Collected \$300.00

**Building & Zoning Department**

February 2021

Applications Received 23  
Applications Returned/Withdrawn 0  
Applications Denied 3  
Building & Blasting Permits Issued 11  
Applications Pending 86  
Certificate of Occupancy 3  
Certificate of Compliance 7

**Planning Board**

From: 2/01/2021 To: 2/28/2021  
Applications Received 1  
Applications Approved 1  
Applications Pending  
    Amended Subdivision 1  
    General Category 3  
    Informal Discussion 3  
    Lot Line Change 0  
    Site Plan 9  
    Subdivision Minor 0  
Fees Collected \$11,077.50

Submitted by the Planning Board Clerk

**Zoning Board of Appeals**

2/1/2021 to 2/28/2021  
Applications Received 2  
Applications Returned/Withdrawn 0  
Applications Denied 0  
Applications Pending 5  
  
Fees Collected \$ 600.00

**Town Clerk**

February 2021

Amount Paid To NYS Agriculture & Markets  
    For Spay/Neuter Program \$ 15.00  
Amount Paid To NYS Health Dept. For Marriage Licenses \$ 90.00  
Amount Paid To NYS Dept. Of Environmental Conservation \$ 99.20  
Amount Paid To Supervisor \$ 3,840.78  
TOTAL AMOUNT REMITTED \$ 4,044.98

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None

## **PUBLIC INPUT**

Greg Julian, no address given, questioned:

- the appraisal of the Letchworth Property.
- Town Board response to questions raised by public at Public Input
- Thanked the Town Board for their efforts and hard work.

Susan Filgueras, no address given, questioned:

- Continued Public Hearing on Zoning Amendment

George Potanovic, 597 Old Gate Hill Rd., Pres. SPACE, questioned

- Continued Public Hearing on Zoning Amendment
- Status of the Eagle Bay Memorandum of Understanding for sewers

Supervisor Monaghan responded that an amended agenda went out via constant contact and posted on the Town website. He also stated there is no MOU.

Mike Diederich, no address given, spoke on the following:

- Permissive Referendum on the sale of the Golf Course
- State of the Golf Course
- Police Reform Act

## **Open Public Comment on NYS Police Reform Reinvention Collaborative**

At 7:22 a motion was made by Supervisor Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Basile and unanimously carried by a voice vote of those board members present with Councilman Javenes being absent to open public comment for the NYS Police Reform Reinvention Collaborative.

Supervisor Monaghan thanked Chief Brian Moore and the committee of civilians for their efforts and excellent work.

## **Public Input**

George Potanovic, SPACE, spoke on:

- Community involvement
- Roll of Police
- Types of Incidents
  - Summary of reports
- Social Services

Mike Diederich, 361 Rt. 210, stated:

- Important issue
- Bias
- Civilian oversight
- Disciplinary actions

Pete Rielly, 1 Hawknest, spoke on:

- Thanked Chief Moore
- Context compared to other Towns
- Civilian review board
- Success rate
- Thanked the Committee

Mary Morrison Rodriguez, no address given, spoke on:

- Hope Not Handcuffs
- Mentally ill
- Racism

Greg Julian, 15 Ridgetop Rd., spoke on:

- Town Board negotiate contracts
- Trust of the public
- Juvenile prevention

- Thanked Chief Moore

Anita Cintron, 22 Ridgetop Rd., spoke on:

- Thanked Chief Moore
- Mental Health calls
- Social Service involvement
- Plain clothes officers to deescalate perceived threat
- Addiction specialists
- Anti-Bias training

Chief Moore responded.

### **Continue Public Comment on NYS Police Reform Reinvention Collaborative**

At 7:49 a motion was made by Supervisor Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Basile and unanimously carried by a voice vote of those board members present with Councilman Javenes being absent to continue the public comment portion to written comments only until March 15, 2021 at 8am for the NYS Police Reform Reinvention Collaborative.

### **Continue Public Hearing-Zoning Amendment**

At 7:49pm a motion was made by Supervisor Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Basile and unanimously carried by a voice vote of those board members present with Councilman Javenes being absent to continue the public hearing for the proposed local law to consider amendments to Chapter 215 of the Town's Zoning Code to establish comprehensive regulations governing public assembly within homes, places of worship, schools and dormitories.

### **Public Input**

Susan Filgueras, 87 Mott Farm Rd., spoke on the recent Planning Board Meeting and the responsibility of said Board as the LWRP members.

Mike Deiderich, 361 Rt. 210, spoke on:

- United States Supreme Court restrictions
- Land use
- 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment – Church and State

Greg Julian, 15 Ridgetop Rd., spoke on:

- Master Plan
- Climate Change
- Assembly restrictions

### **Continue Public Hearing-Zoning Amendment**

At 8:00pm a motion was made by Supervisor Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Basile and unanimously carried by a voice vote of those board members present with Councilman Javenes being absent to continue the public hearing for the proposed local law to consider amendments to Chapter 215 of the Town's Zoning Code to establish comprehensive regulations governing public assembly within homes, places of worship, schools and dormitories to the March 23, 2021.

### **Set Public Hearing to Establish Temporary Outdoor Dining Permit**

A motion was made by Supervisor Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Basile and unanimously carried by a voice vote of those board members present with Councilman Javenes being absent to set a public hearing for the April 13, 2021 Town Board Meeting to Establish Temporary Outdoor Dining Permit.

### **Surplus Golf Equipment**

A motion was made by Supervisor Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Basile and unanimously carried by a voice vote of those board members present with Councilman Javenes being absent to authorize Evan Weymouth to surplus the equipment from the Patriot Hills Golf Course Maintenance Department as submitted.

**Renew Agreement with EZ Links (Tee Time Software)**

A motion was made by Supervisor Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Basile and unanimously carried by a voice vote of those board members present with Councilman Javenes being absent to renew the agreement with EZ Links to provide the software for Tee Times at the Patriot Hills Golf Club.

**Approve Use of Charles S. Eccher Park-PAL**

A motion was made by Supervisor Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Joachim and unanimously carried by a voice vote of those board members present with Councilman Javenes being absent to grant permission to the Stony Point Athletic League to use Charles S. Eccher Park to host the 2021 Stony Point Bike Safety/Touch a Truck Event on Sunday, June 13, 2021 from 11am-3pm (no rain date).

**Award Bid- Golf Course Plant Protectant & Fertilizer**

A motion was made by Supervisor Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Basile and unanimously carried by a voice vote of all board members present with Councilman Javenes being absent to award the golf course plant protectants and fertilizer bid to Seeton Turf Warehouse LLC dba Noble Turf, Metro Turf Specialists and Fisher & Sons and SiteOne Landscape Supply as recommended by Evan Weymouth, Golf Course Superintendent.

**Approve Golf Course Rehires-Maintenance**

A motion was made by Supervisor Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Basile and unanimously carried by a voice vote of all board members present with Councilman Javenes being absent to approve the seasonal rehires of the following employees for Golf Course Maintenance:

Pedro DeLosangeles - \$21.75/hr  
Peter Wargo - \$14.50/hr

**Approve Golf Course Rehires-Operations**

A motion was made by Supervisor Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Basile and unanimously carried by a voice vote of all board members present with Councilman Javenes being absent to approve the seasonal rehires of the following employees for Golf Course Operations:

<b><u>Starter/Bag Drop</u></b>	<b><u>2021</u></b>
Al Standish	\$13.19/hr
Anthony Losquadro	\$13.19/hr
Steve Mains	\$13.19/hr
Bob Marino	\$12.50/hr
<b><u>Pro Shop</u></b>	<b><u>2021</u></b>
Ralph Felice	\$13.87/hr
Anthony Mezzio	\$13.87/hr
Hughann Limpert	\$13.87/hr

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 8:04pm a motion was made by Supervisor Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Joachim and unanimously carried by a voice vote of those board members present with Councilman Javenes being absent to adjourn into executive session to discuss personnel matters.

**RECONVENE**

At 8:35 pm a motion was made by Supervisor Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Basile and unanimously carried by a voice vote of those board members present with Councilman Javenes being absent to reconvene the March 9, 2021 Town Board Meeting.

**Nominate Police Candidate**

A motion was made by Supervisor Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Basile and unanimously carried by a voice vote of those board members present with Councilman Javenes being absent to accept Chief Moore’s nomination of Christopher Barry to fill the

soon to be police officer vacancy. This nomination will allow Rockland County Personnel to continue the testing of the candidate.

**ADJOURN**

At 8:37pm a motion was made by Supervisor Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Joachim and unanimously carried by a voice vote of those board members present with Councilman Javenes being absent to close the March 9, 2021 Town Board Meeting.

Respectfully submitted.  
Megan Carey, Town Clerk