

STONY POINT TOWN BOARD MEETING – May 26, 2020

The Town Board of the Town of Stony Point convened on Tuesday, May 26, 2020 at 7:00 pm. This meeting was conducted via Zoom video conferencing online at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/482465484?pwd=NkFLUU5BY3AvdFBjY3cvYUFwQUJvUT09> and hosted by Brian Nugent, Esq., Attorney for the Town. The meeting was also accessible by telephone at 1-929-205-6099, webinar ID: 482 465 484. Supervisor Monaghan called the meeting to order and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Deputy Town Clerk, Holli Finn called the following roll:

PRESENT:	Tom Basile	Councilman
	Karl Javenes	Councilman
	Paul Joachim	Councilman
	Michael Puccio	Councilman
	James Monaghan	Supervisor
	Brian Nugent	Esquire
	Alak Shah	Esquire

SUPERVISOR’S REPORT

Supervisor Monaghan made the following statement:

The positive news is that our local hospital numbers with confirmed Covid-19 patients continues to drop. Since our last town board meeting, May 12th there are currently 10 more confirmed Covid-19 cases in town bringing the confirmed total to 391. The terrible news is that since the start of the pandemic we have lost 25 residents to the Covid-19 virus.

The Hudson Valley region including Rockland County has reached the metrics to open phase 1 which includes construction, agriculture, fishing, hunting, manufacturing and wholesale trade. As we begin to reopen and restart the local economy it is important to note that all businesses are required to have safety plans in place. Businesses are required to go online to NYS website and view guidelines for their industry.

Our task force of volunteers that we formed to help support and restart local business came up with a slogan “Bounce Back Stony Point”. The task force volunteers have reached out to local food businesses with a suggestion of providing discounts to golfers to order food from their establishments while the Grille Room at Patriot Hills is closed.

Locally we are preparing to open our Clark Park Boat Launch for this weekend, May 30th. Sales of Boat launch permits are available at the clerk’s office. The rates are: Resident Season Pass-\$35, Resident daily pass-\$10, Non-resident daily pass-\$30. A copy of registration and driver’s license is required. Based on CDC guidelines the Stony Point Dog Park will be re-opening this weekend, May 30th.

Thank you to all who participated in our Memorial Day wreath laying ceremony to honor and remember our service members who made the ultimate sacrifice so that we can enjoy the freedoms we have today.

PURCHASE ORDER REQUEST

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

Golf Course:		
PO#3352	Witter Golf	\$3,450.00
Highway Dept:		
PO#3351	J&A Industries Corp.	\$3,600.00
Sewer Dept:		
PO#3354	Environmental Construction	\$5,400.00

Buildings & Grounds
PO#3353

Environmental Construction

\$2,872.50

AUDIT OF BILLS – A motion was made by Councilman Puccio, seconded by Councilman Javenes and unanimously carried by a voice vote of those board members present to approve the following bills as presented for payment.

Contractual General – May 26, 2020

<u>FUND</u>	<u>CLAIM #</u>	<u>FUND TOTAL</u>
<u>General</u>	512-536	\$ 70,779.87
<u>Highway</u>	174-179	\$ 7,366.25
<u>Sewer</u>	169-176	\$ 18,041.11
<u>Special Districts</u>		
Enterprise	123-128	\$ 68,019.29
Solid Waste	20-20	\$ 4,262.08
Street Lighting	8-8	\$ 18,833.66

MINUTES – A motion was made by Supervisor Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Puccio and unanimously carried by a voice vote of all board members present to approve the minutes of May 12, 2020.

CORRESPONDENCE – None

PUBLIC INPUT

Susan Filgueras- She expressed her concerns about the CHPE project. The original corporation is in the process of selling to another entity. She is unsure if the public is aware of this and wonders what affect this transaction has on the original agreement.

Kevin Maher- He is concerned about the engineering project planned for the Sewer Dept. He also inquired about the property maintenance item on the agenda for 2 Pierce Drive.

Approve Vertical Screen Installation and Electrical Improvements-WWTP

A motion was made by Supervisor Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Javenes and unanimously carried by a voice vote of those board members present to approve the installation of Vertical Screen and Electrical Improvements to the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Authorize Legal Services for Litigation

A motion was made by Supervisor Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Puccio and unanimously carried by a voice vote of those board members present to authorize the following resolution:

The following resolution was duly
offered and seconded to wit:

RESOLUTION 2020/10

AUTHORIZING LEGAL SERVICES BY SPECIAL TOWN COUNSEL IN LITIGATION

WHEREAS, the Town of Stony Point (“Town”) retains Special Counsel, Feerick Nugent MacCartney, PLLC, to represent the Town of Stony Point in certain legal matters; and

WHEREAS, a verified Petition has been filed against the Town in a proceeding entitled Dwyer v. Town of Stony Point, under Index Number 031831/2020 in the County of Rockland Supreme Court, State of New York regarding a Permissive Referendum Petition submitted to the Town regarding a Town Board Resolution to sell certain Town property; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Stony Point requires legal Counsel to undertake representation of the Town in the proceeding; and

NOW, THEREFORE, it is resolved as follows:

Section 1. Special Counsel, Feerick Nugent MacCartney, PLLC, is authorized to appear on behalf of the Town of Stony Point and shall be compensated for all services performed for the Town of Stony Point with regard to the aforesaid proceeding entitled Dwyer v. Town of Stony Point, under Index Number 31831/2020 at the hourly rate of \$250 as set forth in the Town Board Resolution appointing Special Counsel Feerick Nugent MacCartney, PLLC. Said services will be paid separate and apart from those services for which Special Counsel has previously been retained to handle for the Town.

Section 2. The Town Supervisor is authorized to execute any documents necessary to carry out the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 3. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

Approve Property Maintenance-2 Pierce Drive

A motion was made by Supervisor Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Basile and unanimously carried by a voice vote of those board members present to exercise Section 161-12 of the Property Maintenance Law of the Town of Stony Point at 2 Pierce Drive (SBL#14.04-4-24).

Waive Permit Fees for Stony Point Fire Department

A motion was made by Supervisor Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Basile and unanimously carried by a voice vote of those board members present to waive the permit fees for the Stony Point Fire Department for a garage construction project.

New Hire for Golf Course Maintenance

A motion was made by Supervisor Monaghan, seconded by Councilman Basile and unanimously carried by a voice vote of those board members present to authorize Evan Weymouth, Golf Course Superintendent to hire Chris Jenkins for Golf Course Maintenance at rate of pay of \$12.50/hour.

ADJOURN

The May 26, 2020 Stony Point Town Board meeting adjourned at 7:20PM and no additional votes were taken.

Respectfully submitted – Holli Finn, Deputy Town Clerk