

TOWN OF CHATHAM  
488 Route 295  
CHATHAM, NY 12037

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING  
September 18, 2014 ..... 7:00PM

**PRESENT:**

Supervisor Jesse DeGroot, Councilman Henry Swartz, Jr., Councilman Bob Balcom, Councilman Rohde, Highway Superintendent Joe Rickert, Attorney Tal Rappleyea, Town Clerk Beth Anne Rippel, Justice James Borgia-Forster

**ABSENT:** Councilman Maria Lull

**Others Present:** Leona Scarpinato, Emilia Teasdale,

Supervisor DeGroot called the meeting to order and led the pledge to the flag.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

- A. Charter Communications, re: rate increases
- B. Joan Wechsler, re: County Rte. 13 speed limit change.
- C. Robin Murray and Vicki Kurashige request that the Board refuse Kinder Morgan/Tennessee Gas proposal for a new high-pressure pipeline.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

-Leona Scarpinato asked about the status of the survey being done at the East Chatham bridge intersection. According to Highway Superintendent Joe Rickert, engineering firm Barton and Loguidice will be out there next week. It will be about 2 to 3 months for the design phase. Once that work is done there will be an informational session to bring the public in on the proposed design.

-Ms. Scarpinato stated that the poor design of the CSX East Chatham Bridge and approach will be costly for the Town to repair. Supervisor DeGroot stated that the Town had anticipated some expense associated with this project given that CSX was only paying for the bridge construction.

**REPORTS**

- A. Highway - report on file
- B. Recreation - no report
- C. Code Enforcement/Zoning Enforcement - report on file
- D. Animal Control - report on file
- E. EMC - no report
- F. Justice Court - report on file
- G. Assessor - report on file
- H. Zoning Implementation Committee (ZIC) - As per Tal the committee has waded through the ridgeline section of Town code . Mr. Meltz is working on the ridgeline maps and there should be a draft copy ready by the next meeting. ZIC will be working on the "sign" section of the code next. JP Henkel is resigning and the committee will be looking to fill his spot.
- I. Supervisor -.
- J. Town Comptroller - report on file
- K. Town Clerk -

**NEW BUSINESS**

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**RESOLUTIONS**

**RES. #102-14** to authorize Highway Superintendent Joe Rickert to forward the Hoes Road/Route 66 Area Drainage study (done by Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C.) to the surrounding property owners. Councilman Swartz offered RES. #102-14 and moved its

adoption to authorize Highway Superintendent Joe Rickert to forward the Hoes Road/Route 66 Area Drainage study (done by Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C.) to the surrounding property owners. Councilman Balcom seconded the motion.

**VOTE**

AYES: DeGroot, Swartz, Balcom, Rohde NAYS: None Resolution adopted

**RES. #103-14** to authorize the Town of Chatham Justice Court to apply for Justice Court Assistance Program Grant (JCAP) in 2014 for Security door/reception pay window and other miscellaneous items. Councilman Rohde offered RES. #103-14 and moved its adoption to authorize the Town of Chatham Justice Court to apply for Justice Court Assistance Program Grant (JCAP) in 2014 for Security door/reception pay window and other miscellaneous items Councilman Swartz seconded the motion.

**VOTE**

AYES: DeGroot, Swartz, Balcom, Rohde NAYS: None Resolution adopted

**RES #104-14** to accept the proposed design for the disc golf sign (2'x19") to be installed on the front lawn of the Town Hall. All materials are donated. Supervisor DeGroot offered RES. #104-14 and moved its adoption to accept the proposed design for the dic golf sign (2'x19") to be installed on the front lawn of the Town Hall. All materials are donated. Councilman Swartz seconded the motion.

**VOTE**

AYES: DeGroot, Swartz, Balcom, Rohde NAYS: None Resolution adopted

**RES. #105-14** to approve the minutes of the August 21, 2014 regular town board meeting and the September 4, 2014 workshop meeting. Councilman Rohde offered RES. #105-14 and moved its adoption to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2014 special town board meeting and the June 19, 2014 regular meeting. Councilman Swartz seconded the motion.

**VOTE**

AYES: DeGroot, Swartz, Balcom, Rohde NAYS: None Resolution adopted

**RES. #106-14** to authorize the assessor clerk to attend "Introduction to RPSV4 and Custom Reports" in Albany County October 6 through Oct. 8, 2014. Cost not to exceed \$300.00. Supervisor DeGroot offered RES. #106-14 and moved its adoption to authorize the assessor clerk to attend "Introduction to RPSV4 and Custom Reports" in Albany County October 6 through Oct. 8, 2014. Cost not to exceed \$300.00. Councilman Rohde seconded the motion.

**VOTE**

AYES: DeGroot, Swartz, Balcom, Rohde NAYS: None Resolution adopted

**RES. #107-14.** to make amendments to budget appropriations. Supervisor DeGroot offered RES. #107-14 and moved its adoption.

**Amendments to Budget Appropriations**

<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>		
DB97306.4	DB97307.4	Fr Bond anticipation to interest on bond to correct interest and principal	\$15,588.16
<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>		
A889.01.000.33 (tax stabilization acct.)	DA5031.3	to cover highway overspending.	\$60,000.00

Councilman Rohde seconded the motion.

**VOTE**

AYES: DeGroot, Swartz, Balcom, Rohde NAYS: None Resolution adopted

**RES #108-14** to revise the town board budget meetings to October 6, 9, 16 and 20<sup>th</sup>. All meetings to begin at 7 p.m. Supervisor DeGrootd offered RES. #108-14 and moved its adoption to revise the town board budget meetings to October 6, 9, 16 and 20<sup>th</sup>. All meetings to begin at 7 p.m. Councilman Balcom seconded the motion.

**VOTE**

AYES: DeGrootd, Swartz, Balcom, Rohde NAYS: None Resolution adopted

**RES #109-14** to remove the 2003 JD 624H Loader (#51) from highway inventory and sell as surplus. Councilman Rohde offered RES. #109-14 and moved its adoption to remove the 2003 JD 624H Loader (#51) VIN#DW624HX588184, from highway inventory and sell as surplus equipment. Councilman Balcom seconded the motion.

**VOTE**

AYES: DeGrootd, Swartz, Balcom, Rohde NAYS: None Resolution adopted

**RES #110-14** to remove the 2004 Vermeer Brush Chipper BC1000XL (#59) VIN#RY1119441005172 from highway inventory and sell as surplus equipment. Councilman Rohde offered RES. #110-14 and moved its adoption to remove the 2004 Vermeer Brush Chipper BC1000XL (#59), VIN#RY1119441005172, from highway inventory and sell as surplus equipment. Councilman Balcom seconded the motion.

**VOTE**

AYES: DeGrootd, Swartz, Balcom, Rohde NAYS: None Resolution adopted

**RES. #111-14** to purchase (one) new 2014 15" Vermeer Brush Chipper BC1500 through NJPA Landscape Equipment Contract #070313-VRM, from Vermeer Northeast, 1235 US 9, Castleton-on-Hudson, NY for the price of \$54,520.00. Councilman Balcom offered RES. #111-14 and moved its adoption to purchase (one) new 2014 15" Vermeer Brush Chipper BC1500 through NJPA Landscape Equipment Contract #070313-VRM, from Vermeer Northeast, 1235 US 9, Castleton-on-Hudson, NY for the price of \$54,520.00.

Councilman Rhode seconded the motion.

**VOTE**

AYES: DeGrootd, Swartz, Balcom, Rohde NAYS: None Resolution adopted

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On a motion by Councilman Balcom, seconded by Councilman Rohde, and carried the Town Board entered executive session at 7:55 PM in accordance with Public Officers Law §105 (1) (f) for the purpose of discussing medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation.

Motion was made by Councilman Swartz, seconded by Councilman Balcom to leave executive session at 9:10 PM. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Swartz, seconded by Councilman Balcom to adjourn at 9:10 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Beth Anne Rippel  
Town Clerk