

PATTERSON TOWN BOARD MEETING
PATTERSON TOWN HALL
1142 ROUTE 311
PATTERSON, NEW YORK 12563
November 5, 2014

MINUTES

PRESENT: MICHAEL GRIFFIN, SUPERVISOR
KEVIN BURNS, COUNCILMAN
CHARLES W. COOK, DEPUTY SUPERVISOR
PETER DANDREANO, COUNCILMAN
SHAWN ROGAN, COUNCILMAN
ANTOINETTE KOPECK, TOWN CLERK
DONALD M. ROSSI, TOWN COUNSEL

Salute to the Flag and Roll Call.

Supervisor Griffin called the Patterson Town Board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with 12 in attendance.

PRESENTATION – OFFICE OF REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICES

Mr. Griffin stated Steve Arnett from the Office of Real Property Tax Services, he has a proclamation he would like to give our Assessor, Christopher Boryk.

Mr. Steve Arnett stated Supervisor Griffin, members of the Town Board, thank you very much for allowing me to speak this evening. Yes, I am here to honor the Board and the Assessor, to present the Assessor with what we call the “Excellence and Equity Award”. It is awarded to municipalities that conduct reassessments that meet the states standards for quality assessing. I am honored to say that the Town of Patterson has received this award since the beginning, which was 1999. This is the fifteenth time that you have received this award. Like I say, the Board and the Assessor are to be commended for their continued efforts in the effort. State law requires that all assessments be based on property value. The whole goal is that no one pays more than their fair share of taxes or less than their fair share. Periodic reassessments insure that that is the case. It takes a commitment, money and a quality assessor to make that happen, but, my goodness, there is a relative handful of municipalities in the State of New York that have done this for this long. It is truly my honor to present this certificate, this award to the Assessor. Chris congratulations, and it is a complete pleasure to work for the Town and the Assessor. I look forward to many years of continued working together and the citizens of Patterson owe you all a great debt for the commitment that you had towards assessment accuracy. It’s my pleasure to be here and to bestow on the Board and the Town this award. Thank you so much. Great job.

Mr. Christopher Boryk, Town Assessor stated thank you Steve. I would like to thank the Town Board for their continued support of what we do. As Steve was saying before, it’s not cheap to do what we do, but it is the best for the Town and the citizens in the Town. I would like to say thank you and I accept this award on behalf of the Town. It doesn’t say Chris Boryk; it says Town of Patterson, so thank you very much for letting me do my job.

Mr. Griffin stated we appreciate it, you do a great job. I know before this program started when the equalization rates would take wild fluctuations, how our school taxes would be all over the map in any given year and I think it’s done a great job to stabilize the situation for people so they know more or less what their taxes are going to be and have a good understanding that they will remain consistent. Thank you. I had hair and yours was still black back then, it’s been a long trip but a good one. Along with Donna and Amanda, you have a great staff.

Mr. Boryk stated absolutely.

PRESENTATION – PUTNAM COUNTY SPCA

Mr. Ross stated I would like to thank the Town Board and County Legislature Nacerino for inviting us here. Back in September, we had given a presentation to the County Legislatures Office about our activities in the County. You can read through this and see what we have done. Basically, what we tried to do is alert the County to animal cruelty, what it is, the many different faces it has and the correlation between animal cruelty and crimes against humans. We had a presentation back in March at the Pall??? Center in Carmel where we had about 80 people show up and we had members of the Sheriff's Department, District Attorney's Office and others give their experience with animal cruelty and to let people know, that first off it is a crime. Second, it is seriously looked at here in Putnam County. During the presentation, I think what interested Legislature Nacerino was what we did for Putnam Valley. One of the things we do is we try to help the Towns. We are not-for-profit, we get funding from no one, but our mission is to prevent animal cruelty, but also to be a resource. Putnam Valley had come to us and explained to us that they were having a problem with dangerous dogs, barking problems and other things. They asked how we could help. What we did was we offered our services. When we got a call for animal cruelty; we get calls from the Sheriff's department, State Police and local residents, we dealt with the call and if it turned out that it wasn't animal cruelty, but a barking dog or dangerous dog complaint, our jurisdiction is the state is criminal, we get all the criminal complaints. What falls on the Town Code is generally civil, it's a fine not jail time. We offered to them that if they wanted to they could write us into the "Enforcement Section" of their Town Code. While we were out there investigating their cruelty complaint, it turned out to be a barking dog complaint. We would be happy to write the ticket for them, at no charge to the Town, but at the present time we are not empowered to do that. I think Ginny felt this would be of interest to the Town of Patterson. We offer this to all the Towns. Chapter 51 "Animals", that is how Putnam Valley added it to their code. That way we could write the tickets for the local ordinances. Under State law, we have police power when it comes to animal cruelty crimes, misdemeanors and felonies as well. If it is something that can help the Town, or something you would like to look into, we would be more than happy to work with you.

Mr. Griffin stated it is probably a bit of a sore subject. I don't know how things are going. If you were to be working for the Town and you did pick up a stray, do you have places you can bring them. We are working with Brook Farm as our primary. Putnam Humane is our secondary. Do you work with Putnam Humane.

Mr. Ross stated we work with everyone. The thing is, we are not looking to be dog control. Under state law already we have the authority to seize any animal that is loose. If we are in the Town of Patterson, we would bring them to wherever the Town of Patterson has a contract. One of the issues Putnam Valley was having was barking dogs all day and if there was a dangerous dog that got out, people were starting to call us. When we showed up and found out there was no cruelty involved, the people were ready to burn down Town Hall. We couldn't do anything because there was no cruelty involved. A lot of times animal cruelty gets confused with these other civil problems. Legislature Nacerino thought that this may be something that the Town would like to look into.

Mr. Cook stated if you get a call and it's not cruelty, do you contact the local Dog Control Officer.

Mr. Ross stated throughout the County we deal with all the Dog Control Officer's. We know Alan and we call him. If we get a phone call and we investigate it and it wasn't animal cruelty, we always ask if the dog is licensed. If it isn't licensed, we call Alan.

Mr. Dandreano stated I knew the officers that used to work down in Westchester and Putnam. Sometimes the Dog Control can't handle things and the Animal Cruelty officers are a great resource to have.

Mr. Burns stated do you have a base that you are out of.

Mr. Ross stated our office is off of Mount Ebo Road. There is an office across the street from the Post Office.

Mr. Cook stated we should consider adding this to our code.

Mr. Ross stated if it is something that you feel can help you, we will work with you to develop it.

Town Board members stated thank you.

REPORTS

Mr. Griffin stated we do have Putnam Lake and Patterson Fire Department quarterly's. Did you get them Antoinette.

Mrs. Antoinette Kopeck, Town Clerk stated I did not get them.

Mr. Cook stated we received the First and Third Quarter from Patterson. Nothing yet from Putnam Lake.

Mr. Griffin asked the clerk to file the reports as read.

Code Compliance - October
Code Enforcement - August, September & October
Dog Control Officer - October
E.C.I. - None
Putnam Lake Fire Dept. – None
Patterson Fire Dept.- First & Third Quarter

SUPERVISOR REPORTS

Mr. Cook made a **motion** to approve the Supervisor's Report for the month of September 2014.

Seconded by Mr. Burns. All In Favor: Aye. Carried.

MINUTES

Mr. Dandreano made a **motion** to approve the following minutes:

Public Hearing Meeting Minutes – Preliminary Budget – October 8, 2014
Public Hearing Meeting Minutes – Mancini Subdivision – October 22, 2014
Town Board Meeting Minutes – September 24, 2014
Town Board Meeting Minutes – October 8, 2014

Seconded by Mr. Burns. All In Favor: Aye. Carried.

AUDIT OF BILLS

Mr. Cook made a **motion** that the Town Board accept Abstract No. 20 as written:

General Fund \$183,354.39, Highway Fund \$108,936.95, Waste Water Treatment Plant \$13,289.82, Capital Fund \$1,373.75, Putnam Lake Light District \$508.66, Patterson Light District \$633.28, Putnam Lake Refuse District No. 1 \$20,454.55, Patterson Refuse District #2 \$61,761.44, Patterson Park District \$1,218.32, Putnam Lake Park District \$922.50, Alpine Water District \$1,075.57, Dorset Hollow Water District \$1,484.59, Fox Run Water District \$530.93, Trust & Agency \$617.90, Grand Total Abstract \$396,162.65.

Seconded by Mr. Burns. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Burns, yes; Mr. Cook, yes; Mr. Dandreano, yes; Mr. Rogan, yes; Mr. Griffin, yes.

PETER DANDREANO

SANITATION REQUEST(S) – VEHICLE REPAIRS/VETERANS' DAY

Mr. Dandreano stated I have a memo from Frank Farrell that I will read:

A mechanic from the Highway Department noticed that Packer No. 110 needed walking rails (a device mounted on the springs that move), as the vehicle turns. It is extremely important for the

safety of the vehicle. I could only schedule the repairs several weeks ago.

Mr. Dandreano made a **motion** to approve the repairs of the Packer No. 110 in an amount not to exceed \$5,039.58 for parts and \$949.68 for labor for a total of \$5,989.26.

Seconded by Mr. Rogan.

Mr. Burns stated discussion. I'm curious, when they said they needed walking rails, were they completely deteriorated or about to fail.

Mr. Griffin stated I don't believe they had them on the trucks in the first place.

Mr. Burns stated at all.

Mr. Griffin stated no. There were handles there, but there wasn't a full rail. New safety regulations talk about having full hand rail set ups.

Mr. Burns stated whose punch list should that have been on. In other words, how did we miss that.

Mr. Griffin stated we have been working with the mechanics at the Highway Garage. They bring the trucks over there when they have time to take a look at them and they evaluate them. It was just something they picked up on. We have two excellent mechanics. They are both certified by the State.

Mr. Burns stated don't get me wrong, I know the mechanics are doing a great job. I'm not knocking them. If this is a regular thing, we need to go out and reinspect the trucks again. I know we had issues with inspection stickers. This was not on them when the packer was put on the road.

Mr. Griffin stated I don't believe it was.

All In Favor: Aye. Carried.

Mr. Dandreano stated the Sanitation workers agreed to take off on Monday instead of Tuesday, Veterans day.

Mr. Dandreano made a **motion** to approve the Sanitation Department taking off on Monday instead of the Veterans Day holiday on Tuesday.

Seconded by Mr. Rogan. All In Favor: Aye. Carried.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Mr. Dandreano stated we met with the library and they showed us their emergency plans. During that meeting, we discussed deficiencies we have in our Emergency Management Plans around the Town. We decided to set up an Emergency Management Committee. We met for the first time last week. We had Matt Chibbaro from the Recreation Center, Principal Keenan from the Elementary School, a representative from the Middle School, Pastor Maxwell, some library workers and Putnam Lake Fire Department Assistant Chief Vinny Fanelli. Patterson Fire Department didn't make it due to a family emergency. It was a good group of people.

Conversation ensued.

Mr. Dandreano made a **motion** to add one item to his agenda.

Seconded by Mr. Rogan. All In Favor: Aye. Carried.

Mr. Dandreano stated at the last meeting, I brought up the Metro North bridge on Route 311. The walls along there are deteriorating. Rich attempted to contact the MTA and the DOT. The DOT has concerns about the wall as well and they attempted to contact the MTA. Mr. Griffin drafted a letter to the MTA. We will send this letter out and see if we get anywhere with it.

CHARLES COOK

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORTS - UPDATE

Mr. Cook stated a couple of meetings ago when we had the fire departments in relative to their budget, we also asked them about reports that were due. Patterson Fire Department is up to date with their reports for the first, second and third quarter. I met with the Fire Chief of Putnam Lake Fire Department. Part of the delay is partially my fault. The Chief was waiting for me to meet with him, so we finally did. He understands what we need and we should be getting the Putnam Lake Fire Department reports within the next couple of weeks.

PUTNAM LAKE SENIORS REQUEST

Mr. Cook made a **motion** to approve the Christmas party for the Putnam Lake Seniors at the Southeast Grill in an amount not to exceed \$1,125.00.

Seconded by Mr. Burns. All In Favor: Aye. Carried.

MANCINI SUBDIVISION

Mr. Cook introduced the following **Resolution for Mancini Subdivision Variance from Chapter 138:**

R-1114-01

WHEREAS, the Putnam County Land Trust owns a 99.96± acre parcel of land at Bullet Hole Road identified as Tax Map No. 34.-5-5., and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board of Town of Patterson has received an Application for subdivision approval for the parcel from Robert S. Mancini entitled the Mancini Subdivision whereby the property owner proposes to create one new residential lot; and

WHEREAS, the parcel is located in the R-4 Zoning District and the Open Development Overlay District, requiring compliance with the standards and requirements of Part 2 of Chapter 138 entitled Subdivision of Lands; and

WHEREAS, §138-49(A) requires that a lot shown on a subdivision plat which is located in the Open Development Overlay District shall not be greater in area than 80,000 s.f.

WHEREAS, the Applicant is proposing to create a lot with an area of 5.11± acres shown as Lot #1 on the preliminary subdivision plan prepared by Bibbo Associates, LLP., and

WHEREAS, the lot will exceed the maximum allowable lot size, and must therefore obtain a variance from the standards and requirements of Part 2 of Chapter 138, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Patterson opened a duly noticed public hearing on the subject application and request for variance at its meeting on September 24, 2014 and closed the public hearing on September 24, 2014 , after receiving comments from the public;

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Patterson has considered the comments of the public and other involved or interested agencies, and has reviewed the documentation provided by the Project Sponsor concerning the need for the variance; and

WHEREAS, a motion was made and carried by the Patterson Planning Board at its September 4, 2014 meeting recommending that the Town Board approve the variance for Lot #1 of the Mancini Subdivision.

WHEREAS, in accordance with Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law (the State Environmental Quality Review Act) and 6 NYCRR Part 617 of the implementing regulations the action under consideration constitutes an UNLISTED ACTION and the Patterson Planning Board acting as Lead Agency on October 30, 2014 issued a negative determination of significance, and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Patterson in the Application of Robert Mancini for Lot #1 of the Mancini Subdivision for a variance from the standards and requirements of Chapter 138, Part 2 which standards and requirements limit the maximum lot size to 80,000 square feet, finds that the variance, as modified in accordance with any applicable conditions set forth in this resolution, and based upon the following findings of fact is hereby approved.

FINDING OF FACT

1. The limiting environmental constraints of the overall site necessitate that any proposed lot would require larger than 80,000 square feet in area to construct a house, driveway and other supporting improvements.
2. The Project will result in the protection as permanent open space or 94.86± acres of the site. The variance, if granted, does not result in a reduction in the amount of open space that would otherwise be protected.

Seconded by Mr. Burns. All In Favor: Aye. Carried.

Mr. Cook made a **motion** to add one item to his agenda.

Seconded by Mr. Burns. All In Favor: Aye. Carried.

Mr. Cook stated we have a letter from the Putnam Lake Fire Department accepting Nicole Dansie to their staff.

SHAWN ROGAN

ROUTE 22 STREET LIGHTS

Mr. Rogan stated do you have an estimate of the cost.

Mr. Williams stated in this case going from 250 watt to 400 watt it will be about \$80.00 per year to run. We are basically renting the light from NYSEG, so they need a resolution to swap this out.

Mr. Rogan introduced the following **Resolution for Proposed Street Light for the Intersection of NYS Route 22 and Thunder Ridge Road:**

R-1114-02

WHEREAS, the Patterson Lighting District maintains a cobrahead-style street light on the west side of NYS Route 22 at the intersection with Birch Hill Road on pole #184 -884, NYSEG Account # 10013564330, and

WHEREAS, the street light is a 250 watt high pressure sodium light operated and maintained under PSC No. 121 Rate Service Classification #3, and

WHEREAS, upon recommendation of the Town Planner, the Town Board wishes to replace the 250 watt high pressure sodium light with a 400 watt high pressure sodium light in order to provide for better illumination at the intersection, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Patterson hereby authorizes the replacement of the 250 watt high pressure sodium cobrahead street light at the above with a 400 watt high pressure sodium cobrahead lamp, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 400 watt high pressure sodium cobrahead lamp shall remain in NYSEG Service Rate Classification No.3 pursuant to PSC No.121, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Patterson accepts the street lamp into the Putnam Lake Lighting District upon the light's completed installation.

Seconded by Mr. Dandreano. All In Favor: Aye. Carried.

RECREATION REQUEST(S)

Mr. Rogan stated there are no recreation requests, but I have a number of announcements of some great upcoming events.

At the Patterson Recreation Center on Saturday, November 22, 2014, the First Annual Vendor Holiday Shopping Bazaar will take place. If you are interested in becoming a vendor, call the Recreation Center at 845-878-7200 or go to the website, www.pattersonrec.org.

Patterson Recreation Center and the Fire Department present the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting, which will include caroling, visiting with Santa and cookies and milk. This will take place on Friday, December 5, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at the Patterson Fire Department.

On Saturday, December 6, 2014 we have breakfast with Santa from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Patterson Recreation Center. \$3.00 per child, \$5.00 per adult, reservations required.

Mr. Rogan stated I have a very nice letter from the Patterson Library, which in essences is thanking those people and businesses that contributed to the annual book sale. The best ever, it sounds like. They raised over \$17,000.00 to support the activities of the library, the Duffel Bag, A&P Supermarket, Post 22 Restaurant just to name a few.

Mr. Rogan stated we have a letter from the Patterson Community Church requesting gently used coats for their annual coat drive. Or you can donate a few dollars, so they can buy new costs. The number is 845-661-6240 for Kathy Frost who is coordinating that.

Swing in Patterson, World War II Style Big Band Dance, 1944 D-Day at the Patterson Recreation Center from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. on November 15, 2014. Dinner tickets, \$35.00 each served 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., advanced sale only. General admission \$20.00 at the door or in advance. Sponsored and organized by the Duffel Bag.

Mr. Rogan made a **motion** to add one more item to his agenda.

Seconded by Mr. Dandreano. All In Favor: Aye. Carried.

Mr. Rogan stated I would like to make a request to the Board that we refund \$25.00 from a recycling permit which was issued to Meg Cairney for an air conditioner. They weren't able to take advantage of the permit due to some technicality with the way the air conditioners are recycled with freon.

Mr. Rogan made a **motion** to authorize the Town Clerk to refund the \$25.00 to Meg Cairney.

Seconded by Mr. Dandreano. All In Favor: Aye. Carried.

MICHAEL GRIFFIN

Mr. Griffin stated I was handed a letter tonight from Legislature Ginny Nacerino:

Regretfully, I will be unable to attend the November 5th Patterson Town Board meeting due to a legislature scheduling conflict. She expresses her support to Ken Ross and the SPCA and apologizes for being unavailable.

CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES & ALCOHOL TESTING POLICY – DISCUSSION

Mr. Griffin stated I think we are very close to having this policy ready. This policy only applies to CDL drivers and machine equipment operators. All other employees are covered by our Section 905 of our handbook. Has everyone had a chance to take a look at this.

Mr. Rogan stated yes.

Mr. Griffin stated ok, are you satisfied that it is ready now.

Mr. Griffin made a **motion** to accept the Controlled Substance & Alcohol Testing Policy dated October 9, 2014 as amended by Public Sector HR Consultants with our Personnel Director, Susan Brown's revisions.

Seconded by Mr. Burns. Is it in the Union contract now or do we have to have the employees sign off on it.

Mr. Griffin stated this is required by law. This is out of our hands and I don't believe there is any negotiating. They will have to sign that they received a copy.

All In Favor: Aye. Carried.

2015 TOWN BOARD MEETING DATES

Mr. Griffin made a **motion** to adopt the Meeting Schedule for 2015 as written.

Seconded by Mr. Cook.

Mr. Burns stated at the last meeting, I had mentioned having a joint session with Planning, Zoning and the Town Board. It's not on that schedule. I will remind you, so we can pick a date at the beginning of next year.

Mr. Griffin stated ok, put it on your agenda for January.

All In Favor: Aye. Carried.

BROOK FARM CONTRACT RENEWAL

Mr. Griffin introduced the following **Resolution for Renewal of Agreement with Brook Farm Veterinary Center to Accept Unclaimed Dogs Captured by the Patterson Dog Control Officer**:

R-1114-03

WHEREAS, the Town of Patterson is required to provide animal shelter services in accordance with the provisions of Article VII of the Agriculture and Markets Law of the State of New York with respect to dogs that are captured by the Patterson Dog Control Officer and are unclaimed by the owners of such dogs; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Patterson desires to contract with a veterinarian to receive and hold dogs that are captured by the Patterson Dog Control Officer pursuant to and in accordance with his duties and obligations under the Patterson Town Code and the Agriculture and Markets Law of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Brook Farm Veterinary Center (hereinafter "Brook Farm"), having its principal offices at 2371 Route 22, Patterson, New York, has provided such services to the Town of Patterson during Calendar Year 2012 pursuant to written agreement dated March 27, 2012, and during Calendar Years 2013 and 2014 pursuant to a written agreement dated January 24, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the current agreement for the provision of services by Brook Farm and payment therefore by the Town of Patterson is set to terminate on December 31, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Patterson and Brook Farm wish to renew said agreement for the period commencing January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the proposed terms for the acceptance of dogs by Brook Farm during Calendar Years 2015 and 2016 are unchanged from those applicable to Calendar Years 2013 and 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board desires to renew its agreement with Brook Farm consistent with the terms of the proposed Agreement annexed hereto and hereby made a part hereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Patterson hereby accepts the proposal of Brook Farm to accept dogs that are captured by the Patterson Dog Control Officer for the 2015 and 2016 calendar years consistent with the terms set forth in the annexed agreement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the annexed Agreement with Brook Farm and any and all other documents necessary to give effect to this Resolution, consistent with the terms hereof, all in form satisfactory to the Supervisor and the Town Attorney.

Seconded by Mr. Cook. All In Favor: Aye. Carried.

Mr. Griffin made a **motion** to add one item to his agenda.

Seconded by Mr. Cook. All In Favor: Aye. Carried.

Mr. Griffin stated we have an emergency repair at the Town Hall in the bathrooms. The central toilet exhaust system for all the toilets and the fan motor need to be replaced.

Mr. Griffin made a **motion** to approve the repair of the exhaust system fan for the bathrooms at the Town Hall in an amount not to exceed \$1,230.00 from I.T.C our HVAC service provider.

Seconded by Mr. Cook. All In Favor: Aye. Carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - PERSONNEL

Mr. Griffin stated I will defer my Executive Session – Personnel until the end of the meeting.

KEVIN BURNS

BUDGET TRANSFERS

Mr. Burns made a **motion** to approve Budget Transfer No. 38 to 41.

Budget Transfer No. 38

From:	GWTP.8130.400	Sewage Treatment – Miscellaneous	(\$3,000.00)
	GWTP.8130.407	Sewage Treatment – Sludge Removal	(\$3,000.00)
To:	GWTP.8130.402	Sewage Treatment – Utilities	\$6,000.00
	Expense Accounts		

Budget Transfer No. 39

From:	RP.9710.700	Serial Bond Interest	(\$6,300.00)
To:	RP.8160.400	Sanitation Contractual	\$6,300.00
	Expense Accounts		

Budget Transfer No. 40

From:	A.7146.101	Recreation Programs – Softball P.S.	(\$800.00)
To:	A.7146.108	Recreation Programs – Sports P.S.	\$600.00
	A.7146.109	Recreation Programs – Bowling P.S.	\$200.00
	Expense Accounts		

Budget Transfer No. 41

From:	DA.5110.400	General Repairs Contractual	(\$15,000.00)
To:	DA.5130.400	Machinery Contractual	\$15,000.00
	Expense Accounts		

Seconded by Mr. Cook. All In Favor: Aye. Carried.

BOTTLED WATER – AWARD CONTRACT

Mr. Burns introduced the following **Resolution to Approve Purchase of Bottled Water for Town Facilities:**

R-1114-04

WHEREAS, the Town of Patterson desires to purchase bottled drinking water and cups, and rent water coolers for Town facilities including the Town Hall, Justice Court, Recreation Center, Highway Department and Sanitation Department; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Town's Procurement Policy, the Town Comptroller made more than 3 written requests for quotes to vendors of bottled drinking water, cups and coolers, having received 5 written quotes from vendors, copies of which are annexed hereto and hereby incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, Crystal Rock LLC of Watertown, Connecticut has submitted the lowest quote dated October 30, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Patterson wishes to accept the quote submitted by Crystal Rock LLC for a thirty-six (36) month period for a total price not to exceed \$4,000;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Patterson hereby approves the purchase of bottled drinking water from Crystal Rock LLC for the prices set forth on the quote annexed hereto for a period of thirty-six (36) months in a total amount not to exceed \$4,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor is hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all agreements and other documents necessary to give effect to this Resolution, consistent with the terms hereof, all in form satisfactory to the Supervisor and the Town Attorney.

Seconded by Mr. Cook. All In Favor: Aye. Carried.

Mr. Burns made a **motion** to add one item to his agenda.

Seconded by Mr. Cook. All In Favor: Aye. Carried.

Mr. Burns stated I noticed that when I was signing vouchers that we have Suez providing electric in some of our buildings as opposed to NYSEG. Can someone remind me how we reached that agreement, some were through this alternative energy arrangement.

Mr. Griffin stated right, through the County. I'm not entirely sure how certain accounts were not included and some were.

Mr. Burns stated I was looking quickly, I didn't do a detailed analysis, but it looks to me like NYSEG is about \$9.00 per kilowatt per hour and Suez is about \$12.00 per kilowatt per hour. It sounds like we are getting a significantly higher price through the County now. That may change over time based on usage, but it sounds like something we should look at.

Mr. Williams stated Kevin, just so you know, when this was all done through the County Co-op, we were getting a much better price through Suez for the electricity. That all changed when they instituted the capacity zone. Now, we are watching our electric rates rise significantly within the Town.

Mr. Burns stated am I correct that NYSEG is preferred based on prices they were charging us.

Mr. Williams stated it goes back and forth. Right now NYSEG is slightly less.

Mr. Burns stated ok, I guess it is something to watch over time.

Mr. Williams stated we are starting to negotiate for the solar power. With the increase in prices, it looks like it may be a more favorable deal to us. We need to get Phase II all set up and ready to go.

Mr. Griffin stated with our contract with Suez, I believe, it is up in about eight months. You also have to keep in mind little hidden fees, delivery charges and some other things.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Cook stated regarding the "Neighborhood Watch", when you drive around Town, there are all "Neighborhood Watch" signs on West Street, Jill Court and South Street and now we have the one over in Putnam Lake. I was thinking, do we have to do something formally; resolution or motion wise, that approves a "Neighborhood Watch" program for a certain area.

Mr. Griffin stated I'm not aware that the Town Board has to take any formal action.

Mr. Williams stated it is a private organization of neighbors.

Mr. Griffin stated it is usually done through the Sheriff's Department or some branch of law enforcement.

Mr. Dandreano stated the Sheriff's Department is sponsoring the Putnam Lake Neighborhood Watch. I don't know about the other ones. I don't know if they are still in existence. I know the signs are still up, but I don't think they have active neighborhood watches. I asked Deputy Schmidt about them, and he doesn't have any records of them being active.

PUBLIC RECOGNITION

Mr. Rich Williams, Town Planner stated it's been a long haul, but we finally have all the agreements and approvals in place and they should be moving equipment to Cartwright Tents property and hopefully construction will start any day. We should have the sewer extension for the library and Jerry Cartwright in by the end of the year.

Town Board members stated thank you.

Mr. Williams stated I'm sure a lot of you may be aware of this, but the Archdiocese has been looking at plans to consolidate a number of churches within the metropolitan region. The plan came out last week, and I am ecstatic to let everyone know that Sacred Heart is going to remain an independent parish. I would like to offer congratulations to all the people who worked so hard on this to make sure this happened and my thanks. It is a really important part of this community to have Sacred Heart Church.

Mr. Bruce Major stated it was really nice of you to change the days off of the Sanitation workers, do you know if they put notices on the residents garbage cans to let them know that next Tuesday they should put their garbage out.

Mr. Cook stated they couldn't do that until we approved it tonight.

Mr. Rogan stated isn't Tuesday their normal pick-up.

Mr. Major stated yes, my point is this; they all know that they are not supposed to put their garbage out next Tuesday, how many people who have their garbage being picked up next Tuesday will be watching this camera next Monday night at 8:30 p.m. My question is this; if they go out on Tuesday and let's say fifty percent of the people have their garbage cans out, who is going to pick-up the day they were told to actually put it out. In other words, people are not going to put their garbage out. Because it's a holiday, you told them not to put their garbage out. I know we think the Town's website is important, I don't know how many people look at the website every day or once a week. My only concern is, if that is what you are going to do, someone from the Town Board should take a ride next Tuesday and if there are a lot of homes out there that don't have their garbage out, make some arrangements to have them go out on that other day to pick up the people who were doing what they were supposed to do.

Mr. Griffin stated they will be working on Friday.

Mr. Major stated you not getting my point, Mike.

Mr. Griffin stated Bruce, I agree with you.

Mr. Major stated it's a little late to do it now. You are doing the schedule now. Next year if a holiday is on a Tuesday and they would have the three day weekend, which I think is great, let the people know in advance.

Mr. Griffin stated I don't entirely disagree with you. We were trying to make it convenient, but they will be working Friday.

EXECUTIVE SESSION PERSONNEL

There being no further business, Mr. Burns made a **motion** to go into Executive Session at 8:00 p.m.

Seconded by Mr. Cook. All In Favor: Aye. Carried.

Mr. Burns made a **motion** to close Executive Session at 8:10 p.m.

Seconded by Mr. Cook. All In Favor: Aye. Carried.

Mr. Griffin called the meeting back to order at 8:10 p.m.

Mr. Burns made a **motion** to deny the grievance that was submitted by the Sanitation Department on the same grounds that the Supervisor has made and the alternative grounds that the grievance is not right for consideration and could be deemed moot by the extension of health care benefits by waiver by NYSHIP.

Seconded by Mr. Dandreano. All In Favor: Aye. Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Cook made a **motion** to adjourn the Town Board meeting at 8:11 p.m.

Seconded by Mr. Burns. All in favor: Aye. Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Antoinette Kopeck, Town Clerk