

PATTERSON TOWN BOARD MEETING
PATTERSON TOWN HALL
1142 ROUTE 311
PATTERSON, NEW YORK 12563
November 18, 2015

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 11 in attendance.

AUDIT OF BILLS

Mr. Cook made a **motion** that the Town Board accept Abstract No. 21 as written:

General Fund \$77,201.02, Highway Fund \$26,474.38, Waste Water Treatment Plant \$4,234.31, Putnam Lake Light District \$507.51, Patterson Light District \$619.30, Putnam Lake Refuse \$20,454.55, Patterson Refuse District #2 \$25,817.86, Patterson Park District \$325.16, Putnam Lake Park District \$2,224.23, Alpine Water District \$8,704.11, Dorset Hollow Water District \$880.21, Fox Run Water District \$671.96, Trust & Agency \$827.75, Grand Total Abstract \$168,942.35.

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

KEVIN BURNS

PUTNAM LAKE FIRE DEPARTMENT NEW MEMBER(S)/UPDATES

Mr. Burns made a **motion** to approve a new fire department member to the Putnam Lake Fire Department, Nicholas DiImperrio.

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

Mr. Griffin stated you all should have received a copy of Putnam Lake Fire Departments submittals with a significant amount of information regarding some of the requirements for contract fulfillment. Chief Gagliardo would like to address the Board.

Chief Gagliardo stated I have nothing to address, unless you have questions.

Mr. Cook stated I thought it was a great report. Well documented, everything was there and I know you are doing the audit.

Mr. Griffin stated I agree, I think it was very complete and very professionally done. Kudos to you and Mr. Raines.

Conversation ensued.

BUDGET TRANSFER(S)

Mr. Burns made a **motion** to approve Budget Transfer No. 33-35:

BUDGET TRANSFER NO. 33

From: DA.9060.800 Employee Benefit-Hospital & Medical Insurance Expense Account	\$(5,511.00)
To: DA.9010.800 Employee Benefit – State Retirement Expense Accounts	\$5,511.00

BUDGET TRANSFER NO. 34

From: A.9060.800 Employee Benefit – Hospital & Medical Insurance Expense Account	\$(5,000.00)
To: A.1420.440 Special Counsel Contractual Expense Account	\$5,000.00

BUDGET TRANSFER NO. 35

From: SP.9040.800 Employee Benefit – Workman’s Compensation Expense Account	\$(155.00)
To: SP.9010.800 Employee Benefit –State Retirement Expense Accounts	\$155.00

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

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

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

Mr. Burns stated the Putnam Lake Park District has requested permission to spend \$1,500.00 for the removal of the docks that are in the lake for the winter.

Mr. Burns made a **motion** to approve the expenditure of \$1,500.00 from the Putnam Lake Park Advisory Board fund in an amount not to exceed \$1,500.00, to remove the docks.

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

PETER DANDREANO

PUTNAM LAKE AQUATIC VEGETATION MANAGEMENT

Mr. Dandreano introduced the following **Resolution for Aquatic Vegetation Management:**

R-1115-01

WHEREAS, the Putnam Lake Park Advisory Board (“PLPAB”) has been advised that Putnam Lake requires application of the algaecide “Cutrine Plus” for the treatment of algae for the 2016 season (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, consistent with the Town Procurement policy, the PLPAB duly requested quotes from four (4) companies and has received two (2) quotes for the Project, copies of which are annexed hereto and hereby made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, Allied Biological, Inc. (“Allied”) has submitted the lowest quote for the Project, namely two (2) 112 acre applications of Cutrine Plus to treat unicellular algae at \$7,775 for each treatment and \$15,550 for both treatments, and permit and processing fees of \$500, for a total not to exceed \$16,050; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Patterson hereby determines that Allied has submitted the lowest quote and wishes to accept said quote and award the contract for the Project to Allied;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Patterson hereby accepts the quote of Allied for the Project and authorizes the award of the contract to Allied consistent with its quote; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Patterson hereby authorizes and directs the Town Supervisor to execute any and all documents, in a form satisfactory to the Town Attorney, and to take any and all other necessary or appropriate actions to give effect to this resolution.

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

RECREATION REQUEST(S)

Mr. Dandreano made a **motion** to approve the purchase of 75 Youth Basketball Jerseys in an amount not to exceed \$974.25.

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

CHARLES COOK

PUTNAM CAP REQUEST – WAIVER OF RECREATION RENTAL FEES

Mr. Cook made a **motion** to waive the fee of \$90.00 for the rental of the Recreation Center on Tuesday, January 5, 2106 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. to Putnam CAP.

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

TOWN COMPTROLLER’S REQUEST – ADVANCE PAYROLL

Mr. Cook made a **motion** to approve the request of the Town Comptroller to advance payroll to Wednesday, November 25, 2015 before Thanksgiving.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION – LEGAL

Mr. Cook stated he will defer his Executive Session – Legal until the end of the meeting.

SHAWN ROGAN

2016 TOWN BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

Mr. Rogan made a **motion** to approve the 2016 Town Board meeting schedule.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Rogan announced all events happening in and around Patterson.

MICHAEL GRIFFIN

2016 BUDGET ADOPTION - RESOLUTION

Mr. Majors stated point of order, before you vote on the budget, I think it would be more appropriate that you discuss the Assessor’s report and seeing that there are dollars involved in the Assessor’s contract that may impact on the budget. If you vote on the budget, why even look at the Assessor’s agreement. I am asking that you move your budget vote further down in the meeting.

Mr. Griffin stated since I intend to table the Assessor’s agreement, because Pawling has yet to accept or adopt it, there is nothing to talk about. Pawling is supposed to be voting on it tonight. I plan on tabling it. I had a conversation with Trish today, if they reject the agreement or the Town of Patterson rejects the agreement, we have the ability within this budget to make

arrangements, so the \$28,000.00 we will lose in revenue will be offset in part by the reduction of Mr. Boryk's salary and we have more than enough money in contingency to make up for the rest.

Mr. Majors stated I would ask that you table that first and move to the budget.

Mr. Griffin stated any thoughts on the matter Counselor.

Mr. Rossi stated I don't think it matters.

Mr. Griffin introduced the following **Resolution for Adoption of Final Budget for 2016:**

R-1115-02

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Patterson is currently in the process of finalizing the budget for the 2016 fiscal year, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Patterson has met at the time and place specified in the Notice of Public Hearing on the Preliminary Budget has heard all persons desiring to be heard thereon, and

WHEREAS, the General Fund appropriation reflected in the Preliminary Budget has been amended from \$4,123,616.00 to \$4,123,616.00 and

WHEREAS, the Highway Department appropriation reflected in the Preliminary Budget has been amended from \$2,937,063.00 to \$2,937,063.00 and

WHEREAS, the Putnam Lake Fire Protection District appropriation reflected in the Preliminary Budget has been amended from \$496,900.00 to \$446,900.00 and

WHEREAS, the Patterson Fire Protection District appropriation reflected in the Preliminary Budget has been amended from \$934,320.00 to \$1,034,320.00 and

WHEREAS, the Patterson Hamlet Sewer District appropriation reflected in the Preliminary Budget has been amended from \$414,684.00 to \$414,684.00 and

WHEREAS, Capital Fund appropriation reflected in the Preliminary Budget has been amended from \$0 to \$0 and

WHEREAS, the Patterson Library appropriation reflected in the Preliminary Budget has been amended from \$738,552.00 to \$738,552.00 and

WHEREAS, the Putnam Lake Lighting District appropriation reflected in the Preliminary Budget has been amended from \$22,025.00 to \$22,025.00 and

WHEREAS, the Patterson Lighting District appropriation reflected in the Preliminary Budget has been amended from \$25,425.00 to \$25,425.00 and

WHEREAS, the Putnam Lake Refuse appropriation reflected in the Preliminary Budget has been amended from \$376,950.00 to \$251,705.00 and

WHEREAS, the Patterson Garbage District appropriation reflected in the Preliminary Budget has been amended from \$1,018,339.00 to \$1,018,339.00 and

WHEREAS, the Dorsett Hollow Drainage District appropriation reflected in the Preliminary Budget has been amended from \$1,800.00 to \$1,800.00 and

WHEREAS, the Deerwood Drainage District appropriation reflected in the Preliminary Budget has been amended from \$2,100.00 to \$2,100.00 and

WHEREAS, the Quail Ridge Road Improvement District appropriation reflected in the Preliminary Budget has been amended from \$14,500.00 to \$14,500.00 and

WHEREAS, the Patterson Park appropriation reflected in the Preliminary Budget has been amended from \$134,150.00 to \$134,150.00 and

WHEREAS, the Putnam Lake Park District appropriation reflected in the Preliminary Budget has been amended from \$153,385.00 to \$153,385.00 and

WHEREAS, the Alpine Water District appropriation reflected in the Preliminary Budget has been amended from \$35,850.00 to \$35,850.00 and

WHEREAS, the Dorsett Hollow Water District appropriation reflected in the Preliminary Budget has been amended from \$27,405.00 to \$27,405 00 and

WHEREAS, the Fox Run Water District appropriation reflected in the Preliminary Budget has been amended from \$58,771.00 to \$58,771.00 and

WHEREAS, the Debt Service Fund appropriation reflected in the Preliminary Budget has been amended from \$125,000.00 to \$125,000.00 and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the 2016 Budget as amended and revised is hereby adopted as set forth in Schedule "A" which is attached hereto and made part hereof.

Seconded by Mr. Cook.

Mr. Rogan stated discussion. Before we vote on the resolution, do changes in lines, specifically Russ wanted to speak about the position that was cut from his budget. That should happen as a modification to the line before the vote, so that it is reflected in the record, correct.

Mr. Griffin stated no. All monies that will be transferred will be intra-budget transfers. There won't be any money outside of the Highway Budget needed to be moved. All that would have to take place is that the Highway Superintendent would make a request to the Board to change certain funding lines. If the Board is amenable to that then the budget can be easily modified, as we do budget transfers all the time.

Mr. Burns stated so, we allotted money in the budget for that position even though we took it away and put it on other lines.

Mr. Griffin stated the Highway Superintendent had requested additional funds for other things like salt, sand and some other things. We agreed on numbers. Russ said he was very concerned that he could not operate with eleven men this year. At this point, if the Board wants to make that change in the budget, that has not been made, it can be made at a later date without any issue or problem. If the Board decides that they want to refund that position, it's a matter of rearranging the money within the Highway budget.

Mr. Rogan stated there is nothing stopping us in making that change tonight.

Mr. Griffin stated if you make the change tonight, it won't change anything, because the dollars in the Highway budget are exactly the same dollars, unless you move money from somewhere else.

Mr. Rogan stated no, I wasn't proposing that.

Mr. Dandreano stated the resolution wouldn't matter. It's still the same.

Mr. Griffin stated unless you are going to move money from one outside the budget into the Highway budget, the resolution would remain the same.

Mr. Russ Goff, Highway Superintendent stated at this point I'm going forward with eleven men.

Mr. Griffin stated that is what the budget says.

Mr. Goff stated is the board in agreement that I get the twelfth man and I will be able to move that money.

Mr. Griffin stated basically what you would have to do is submit a request asking to move money from whatever specific line that you and Trish discussed into your point-one line and the Board would do it by a simple budget transfer and then the problems solved.

Mr. Goff stated January 1, 2016.

Mr. Griffin stated you can do it on December 16, 2015, if they wanted to or at the next Town Board meeting or they can simply do it tonight.

Mr. Goff stated do you want to do it tonight.

Mr. Cook stated I think we should all have a conversation with Russ over the next week.

Mr. Goff stated you mean another conversation. I have talked to everyone.

Mr. Burns stated you talked to each of us, do you want to say it for the record. I know your position is you need the extra man.

Mr. Goff stated of course. I spoke to every one of you about this. We went from a team of fourteen to twelve and now I have to do the job with eleven. There are safety factors. My men are already the most taxed for miles of road per man. There is nothing left to cut. I need that man. Your services will be impacted, for sure. There's plenty of work out there.

Mr. Rogan stated you mentioned the lines specifically for this position, the money would come from road work.

Mr. Goff stated yes, my sand/salt line and then the Highway General Fund.

Conversation ensued.

Mr. Griffin stated if you want to make a blanket statement that you will refund the position, so be it.

Mr. Goff stated ok, you all know where I stand.

Mr. Rogan stated Russ, I would specifically put that request in for the transfer for the next meeting. I support the position going back in.

Mr. Goff stated thank you Shawn.

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

EOH O&M POLICY – DISCUSSION/ADOPTION

Mr. Griffin introduced the following **Resolution for Approving Operation and Maintenance Policy of Stormwater Retrofit Projects:**

R-1115-03

WHEREAS, the Town of Patterson is a member of the East of Hudson Watershed Corporation (“EOHWC”), a not-for-profit local development corporation formed to assist its member municipalities in complying with the stormwater retrofit requirements of the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit (“MS4 Permit”); and

WHEREAS, EOHWC has installed and will continue to install Stormwater Retrofit Projects (“SRPs”) or has reimbursed member municipalities for installing SRPs in compliance with the first five-year Regional Stormwater Retrofit Plan and intends to do so for the second five-year plan to the extent funding is provided by the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (“DEP”); and

WHEREAS, the MS4 Permit requires member municipalities to maintain each SRP for its useful life to ensure that it continues to operate as it was designed; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the EOHWC has adopted an Operation and Maintenance Policy (“O&M Policy”) providing for the equitable sharing of the costs and responsibilities of operation and maintenance by all member municipalities in a manner consistent with the MS4 Permit compliance concept, conditioned on the legislative body of each member municipality agreeing to comply with the terms and conditions of the O&M Policy; and

WHEREAS, approval of the O&M Policy is a Type II action exempt from the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) under 6 NYCRR 617.5(c)(1) as it relates to the routine maintenance of the SRPs; and

WHEREAS, approval of the O&M Policy is in the best interests of the Town of Patterson as it assures compliance by the Town with the MS4 Permit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Patterson hereby accepts and agrees to the terms and conditions of the EOHWC O&M Policy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Patterson hereby authorizes and directs the Town Supervisor to execute any and all documents, in a form satisfactory to the Town Attorney, and to take any and all other necessary or appropriate actions to give effect to this resolution.

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

PATTERSON/PAWLING –ASSESSOR’S AGREEMENT

Mr. Griffin made a **motion** to table this until the next Town Board meeting.

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

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Dandreano stated I was at the Recreation Center and was speaking to Matt Chibbaro. He was working on a computer and it wasn’t in his office. Rich also had a problem with his computer. It just seems that our computers are very antiquated and piecemeal. I think we should look into some kind of a computer replacement system.

Mr. Williams stated we are on a computer replacement schedule for Town Hall. I can’t speak for the Recreation Center. Basically, I am replacing four computers every year. That is what we are budgeting for. Generally, I buy them all at once, and they are sitting in here. We put three in service and keep one as a spare.

Mr. Dandreano stated the Recreation Center has to look into it themselves.

Mr. Williams stated they have a lot less computers then Town Hall.

Mr. Dandreano stated they have a new server and their older computers are having issues.

Mr. Williams stated I don’t know. I was there on Monday, because they were having issues.

Mr. Dandreano stated I’ll talk to Matt about it.

PUBLIC RECOGNITION

Mr. Dave Raines stated what is the status with the EMS contract, did we renew it.

Mr. Griffin stated until the end of the year.

Mr. Williams stated it will have to be revisited next month.

Mr. Raines stated ok, I wasn’t sure where we were with it.

Mr. Griffin stated I know Pete has been working with the Supervisor Elect.

EXECUTIVE SESSION PERSONNEL

There being no further business, Mr. Cook made a **motion** to go into Executive Session at 7:35 p.m.

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

Mr. Burns made a **motion** close Executive Session at 10:00 p.m.

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

Mr. Griffin called the meeting back to order at 10:00 p.m.

Mr. Burns made a **motion** to authorize Rich William and Dave Raines to pursue a certificate of need for a Volunteer Ambulance Corp. (VAC), for the Town of Patterson.

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

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Burns made a **motion** to adjourn the Town Board meeting at 10:00 p.m.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Antoinette Kopeck, Town Clerk