

REGULAR MEETING – ATHENS TOWN BOARD – February 3, 2014

A regular meeting of the Athens Town was called to order on February 3, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. led by Supervisor Joseph Iraci with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

The following people were present: Councilman Robert F. Butler, Jr.; Councilwoman April Paluch; Councilwoman Mary H. Brandow and Town Clerk Linda M. Stacey. (Councilman Michael Ragaini and Highway Superintendent John J. Farrell were both absent.)

The following people were also present; Attorney Virginia Benedict; Bookkeeper Mike Strenka; Herman Reinhold; Michael Pirrone; Reporter Melanie Lekocevic; Dave LaVoie from CDPHP and Grant Writer Bill Rohr.

The following bills were audited by the Board and ordered paid.

General Abstract #3, vouchers #35 through #62 inclusive for \$37,541.28.

Highway Abstract #3, vouchers #17 through #23 inclusive for \$19,741.74.

Dave LaVoie of CDPHP came before the Board and explained the Health Insurance Plan for 2014. Under the new plan there is a \$2700 deductible for single and a \$5400 deductible for family. There were several other plans to choose from, however this plan was highly recommended by Mr. LaVoie. It goes into effect beginning March 1, 2014

On the motion of Councilwoman Mary H. Brandow seconded by Councilwoman April Paluch the following **RESOLUTION #2014-16** *to adopt the plan recommended by Dave LaVoie for the Health Insurance for 2014, with a deductible of \$2700 for Single and a deductible of \$5400 for Family, was adopted.* Ayes (Iraci; Butler; Paluch; Brandow) Noes-0 Absent-1 (Ragaini) Abstentions-0

Bill Rohr Grant Writer spoke about Hazard Mitigation and Backup Generators.

Mr. Rohr also informed the Board that he will make an appointment with Mr. Gross for the Microfilm, imaging for the current Grant that we have. We can then set up a schedule.

Herman Reinhold, Village Trustee spoke to the Board about the Volunteer of the Year Award. He wanted to know if there was anyone from the Town Board who was interested in taking over this Committee, as he has chosen not to run again.

Mr. Reinhold stated that they had originally chosen Flag Day to make these Awards, (as the City of Hudson always had Fire Works at the end of the Day,) but this year the City of Hudson is not going to have Fire Works. They have set a new date of September 13, 2014, to be Community Day. This committee has received a donation from the Community Foundation.

He told the Board that they need nominations, and they are looking for a liaison to work with the Village.

The minutes of the January 21, 2014 were reviewed by the Board.

Supervisor Joseph Iraci made a motion seconded by Councilwoman April Paluch to approve the minutes of January 21, 2014 as read. Ayes (Iraci; Butler; Paluch; Brandow) Noes-0 Absent-1 (Ragaini) Abstentions-0

The Supervisor's Report was reviewed by the Board.

Councilwoman April Paluch made a motion seconded by Councilwoman Mary H. Brandow to accept the Supervisor's Report as presented. Ayes (Iraci; Butler; Paluch; Brandow) Noes-0 Absent-1 (Ragaini) Abstentions-0

Councilwoman April Paluch made a motion seconded by Councilwoman Mary H. Brandow to approve the Town Clerk's Report as presented. Ayes (Iraci; Butler; Paluch; Brandow) Noes-0 Absent-1 (Ragaini) Abstentions-0

Supervisor Joseph Iraci made a motion seconded by Councilman Robert F. Butler, Jr. to appoint the following people to the Ad Hoc Committee for a term of one Year, Thomas Satterlee, Joan Satterlee, (Chairman); Catherine Haeussler; Hal Brodie; Charlene Riley; John McInerney; J. Stephen Casscles and Eugene Hatton. Ayes (Iraci; Butler; Paluch; Brandow) Noes-0 Absent-1 (Ragaini) Abstentions-0

Received Greene County Resolution #29-14 Approving Reimbursement to Community Colleges; Also Resolution #30-14 Authoring obtaining and Furnishing of Election Related Services and Materials.

The Capital Bicycle Racing Club will be having another Trooper Brinkerhoff Memorial Race Series in the Village ant Town of Athens: March 15th, March 22nd, and March 29th.

The Town Board is in favor of Memorializing the Honor and efforts of all State Troopers and all that they do.

Dollar General- wants to build a store on 9W & Leeds Athens Road. NY State has denied a curb cut on 9W. DG wants our support in appealing to NYS.

Supervisor Joseph Iraci made a motion seconded by Councilwoman April Paluch to go into executive Session for Negotiations and Litigation; all in favor. Ayes (Iraci; Butler; Paluch; Brandow) Noes-0 Absent-1 (Ragaini) Abstentions-0 7:55 p.m.

Councilwoman April Paluch made a motion seconded by Councilman Robert F. Butler, Jr. to adjourn the Executive Session and reconvene the regular meeting. Ayes (Iraci; Butler; Paluch; Brandow) Noes-0 Absent-1 (Ragaini) Abstentions-0

Supervisor Joseph Iraci made a motion seconded by Councilwoman April Paluch to reduce the settlement from 367,200 to 300,000, upon our Attorney's recommendation. Ayes (Iraci; Butler; Paluch; Brandow) Noes-0 Absent-1 (Ragaini) Abstentions-0

As there was no further business to come before the meeting a motion to adjourn was made by Councilwoman April Paluch seconded by Councilwoman Mary H. Brandow. Ayes (Iraci; Butler; Paluch; Brandow) Noes-0 Absent-1 (Ragaini) Abstentions-0 Meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.