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REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING-October 5, 2017

Supervisor Johnson called the Regular Town Board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Johnson led the board and the audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call

Roll Call by the Town Clerk showed the following board members present.

Arthur Johnson-Supervisor

Steven Streicher-Deputy Supervisor

Joanne Klepetar-Councilwoman

John Lant-Councilman

John McEachron-Councilman

Also present was Mark Schachner, Town Counsel and Ryan Riper, P. E., Director of Planning and Engineering and Jeff Reale, Comptroller.

Public Comment Session

Alan Ross addressed the board. I'm here tonight to talk about pickle ball at Gavin Park. I am passionate about pickle ball and have been playing it for four years. At the last town board meeting the board decided as of January 1, 2018 Wilton residents will pay \$3.00 and non-residents will pay \$5.00 for indoor pickle ball at Gavin Park. As a Wilton resident, I don't see the justification for this, in fact it will hurt pickle ball as we've come to enjoy it. We have over 110 people on our email list. We average 20 people every day. Please keep the fee at \$3.00 for everyone. **Supervisor Johnson** thanked Mr. Ross and said we will discuss this at future meetings.

Approve Pending Minutes

On a motion introduced by Deputy Supervisor Streicher, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #147

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to approve the minutes from the September 7, 2017 meeting, as typed.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilwoman Klepetar, duly put to a vote, all in favor the motion passed 5-0.

November Meeting Date

Supervisor Johnson stated the election law requires us not to pass the town budget before the election therefore we will have to change the meeting date.

On a motion introduced by Deputy Supervisor Streicher, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #148

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to change the November 2nd meeting date to November 9, 2017.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman Lant, duly put to a vote, all in favor the motion passed 5-0.

Emergency Traffic Guide & Resource Inventory

Supervisor Johnson stated that this is something that Saratoga County Emergency Services has requested, that every town develop a plan and Larry Gordon is our coordinator. He said he had asked Larry to put together this plan and has done a terrific job. Larry addressed the board. The office of Emergency Services Homeland Security as well as the County asked all of the towns to prepare an emergency traffic plan. Basically, when you close a highway what do you do? There have been a few closures on the Northway and one on Ballard road that have gone smoothly. We're calling this a guide and a resource management inventory. It would benefit the fire department, the town engineer, ambulance, town highway superintendent and others could make decisions along with the state police and NYS DOT. There are 4 major paths in our town NYS Rt 9, NYS Rt 50, interstate 87, and CP Rail. If there's any sort of incident we need to be prepared. Our town is pretty well prepared. He also wanted to thank Karen, Julie and Sue for helping put this together. He also said if something is so big the Town Board would have to act and approve an emergency declaration for relocating people. But things are running ok. **Supervisor Johnson** thanked Larry for the project. He also said we received through FEMA,

\$46,000 from a storm last March that Kirk and his crew documented the costs . Through efforts like Larry's plan and having this in place.

Canyon Run Extension-Drainage District

Supervisor Johnson stated Canyon Run Extension is a proposed subdivision at the end of Gailor Rd. Joe Dannible is here from EDP to talk about a drainage district. You may recall we have a similar district for Olsen Farm. Joe said it's a 44 lot subdivision and has received preliminary approval and a negative SQR determination from the Town of Wilton Planning Board. We have also obtained all necessary NYS DEC and Army Corp of Engineers permits for the construction of this project. Final thing we need to do to get final approval from the planning board is to petition the town board for the formation of the taxing district for the drainage improvements. The purpose of this district is that no residents other than the residents directly benefiting from this pay for the annual maintenance. We will need a public hearing set from this board. Supervisor Johnson stated the district at Olsen farm seems to be working. Ryan Riper said there haven't been any problems like basements flooding so far. It's all through the county tax bill. **Town Council Schachner** said we need to get a map plan report from the applicant's representative If the Town Engineer Ryan Riper reviews this and is comfortable then you schedule a public hearing. No action taken.

Bid Award-Equipment Storage Building

Supervisor Johnson said this item was funded in the budget. We will save a lot of money having the buildings crew erect the structure.

On a motion introduced by Councilman Streicher, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #149

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to accept the bid on the building from Munter Enterprise in the amount of \$68,735 which was low bidder.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilwoman Klepetar duly put to vote, all in favor. The motion passed 5-0.

Conklin Court-Road Dedication

On a motion introduced by Councilwoman Klepetar, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION # 150

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to approve the road Conklin Court contingent upon approval from Town Council Schachner , Engineer Riper, and Highway Superintendent Woodcock.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman Lant duly put to vote, all in favor. The motion passed 5-0.

Solar Energy Law

Supervisor Johnson stated we had a public hearing last month on this and there were a couple of changes. We now have the final draft today. Town Council Schachner said we need to first conduct a review under the NYS Quality Review Act. Council Schachner said he had maybe five revisions last month and all five have been made and it's an appropriate piece of legislation assuming you all like the policies which I think you do and it is subject to NYS environmental quality review act. The EAF has been completed. And the narrative description in reference to potential to environmental impact is the actual incorporate local zoning regulations for the use of solar energy generating systems. The zoning provisions will advance and protect health safety and welfare of the community.

You have two choices:

1. No, or small impact may occur
2. Moderate to large impact may occur

Town Council Schachner read the EAF questions to the Town Board

On a motion introduced by Councilman McEachron, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #151

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to accept the SEQR and Negative declaration.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to approve the solar energy law.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilwoman Klepetar duly put to vote, all in favor. The motion passed 5-0

Tentative Budget

Supervisor Johnson stated the budget totals \$8.2 Million. This represents a zero increase from this year's budget. It is a balanced budget which means our anticipated revenues will cover our expenditure's. This represents 36 years of no town taxes and no highway tax. This board recognizes the importance of infrastructure and road improvements. This means the highway department is funded at the same level, as last year which was \$900,000. Highway Superintendent has done a tremendous job using those funds. He has kept up to date with all the roads that need improvement. Some more improvements for highway is an updated salt area that really affects them. Also a new truck and roller. In the park and recreation department a few items such as a new pavilion. The existing one is old and for the amount of people that use the park it will be beneficial. It will also be used as a cover for the ice skating rink to keep the rink open and covered. Also there is a proposal for new bathrooms there and a changing room. The code enforcement is getting a new vehicle as well. Our Bicentennial is coming up and the budget contains sufficient funding to put on all those events. Sales tax revenue is the biggest source. There will be a workshop on October 18th at 4:00 pm. We will have a public hearing before the budget is adopted and we can hear from the public on any items. That will be November 9th for seven o'clock

On a motion introduced by Councilwoman Klepetar, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #152

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to
Set a public hearing for the tentative budget
on November 9, 2017.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman McEachron duly put to vote, all in favor. The motion passed 5-0

Committee Reports

Councilwoman Klepetar stated she wanted to report on the senior center and what a nice job the maintenance department did in the room that used to be used for ceramics. It looks beautiful. **Supervisor Johnson** said news about their van; it should be in next week.

Supervisor Johnson said the Wilton Heritage Society's annual Apple Pie Social is Sunday October 15, 2017 from 1-4 and is always a great event.

Supervisor Johnson another event that is really important is this Saturday October 7, 2017 at Grants cottage they're doing an encampment which brings in a lot of people through the Town. There is a \$10 admission charge but they have a great line up for that day. This is a big fund raiser for them. It's from 10-4.

Comptroller's Report

1.) 2017 Budget Transfers

On a motion introduced by Councilman McEachron the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #153

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to approve the 2017 budget transfers requested for and listed in the Comptroller's 9/7/2017 Report (attached) to the Town Board.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilwoman Klepetar duly put to a vote, all in favor. The motion passed 5-0.

2.) Town Court Requesting to Apply for JCAP

Comptroller Reale

The Town Court is requesting approval to apply for the 2017-2018 Justice Court Assistance Program (JCAP). This is a grant program providing up to \$30,000 per court for a variety of purposes including office furniture, security equipment, improvements and renovations. A Town Board resolution is required authorizing the Town Court to apply and authorize the Town Supervisor to execute all documents.

On a motion introduced by Councilman Lant, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #154

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to approve the application for the 1017-18 Justice court Assistance Program (JCAP).

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, to authorize the Town Supervisor to execute all of the documents.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman Streicher, duly put to vote, all in favor. The motion passed 5-0

3.) State and Municipal Facilities Program (SAM)

The Town Board needs to approve by resolution the Grant Disbursement Agreement with the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York (DASNY) in the amount of \$125,000 for the replacement of construction of a playground and pavilion at Gavin Park as well as construction of bathrooms at Camp Saratoga and to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign the agreement.

On a motion introduced by Councilman McEachron, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #155

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to accept the grant disbursement agreement put forth in the amount of \$125,000.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, to authorize the Town Supervisor to execute all of the documents.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman Lant, duly put to a vote, all in favor. The motion passed 5-0.

4.) Disposal of Town Equipment

Scott Harrington is requesting permission to dispose of a 6x10 NNT Utility Trailer. If approved, this will be auctioned off on Auctions International.

On a motion introduced by Deputy Supervisor Streicher, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #156

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to approve the auction of a 6x10 NNT utility trailer.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman McEachron, duly put to a vote, all in favor. The motion passed 5-0.

Adjournment

On a motion introduced by **Councilman Lant** and seconded by **Councilwoman Klepetar** all board members in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Baldwin, Town Clerk

_____ Supervisor, Arthur Johnson

_____ Deputy Supervisor, Steve Streicher

_____ Councilman, John Lant

_____ Councilman, John McEachron

_____ Councilwoman Joanne Klepetar