

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 6, 2014 MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF POUND RIDGE HELD AT THE TOWN HOUSE, 179 WESTCHESTER AVENUE, POUND RIDGE, N.Y., COMMENCING AT 8:00 P.M.

PRESENT: SUPERVISOR RICHARD LYMAN; COUNCIL MEMBERS: DANIEL PASCHKES, JONATHAN POWERS, ALI BOAK AND BONNIE SCHWARTZ

ALSO PRESENT: TOWN ATTORNEY, WILLIAM P. HARRINGTON, ESQ.  
TOWN CLERK, JOANNE PACE

**CALL TO ORDER:** Supervisor Lyman called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

**CALL FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**Board Action:** Motion by Councilwoman Boak, seconded by Councilman Powers, all voting aye to hold an Executive Session immediately following the Town Board meeting for a personnel and legal matter.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/REMINDERS:**

Supervisor Lyman asked for a brief moment of silence for the passing of Howard Johnson who worked as a Highway employee for thirty-three (33) years and was also a Pound Ridge Volunteer Fire Fighter.

Supervisor Lyman read a letter he received from Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schiller thanking Louise Paolicelli and her helpers for making living in Pound Ridge such a pleasure. The letter mentioned receiving homemade zucchini bread and mentioned how much they enjoyed the Halloween party at Conant Hall. They thanked the Pound Ridge Recreation Department as well.

**MINUTES: Acknowledge/correct/accept minutes of the Executive Session held on October 9, 2014**

**Board Action:** Motion by Councilwoman Schwartz, seconded by Councilman Powers, all voting aye to accept the minutes of the Town Board meeting held on October 9, 2014.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Pound Ridge Golf Club-referral to Planning Board to discontinue water quantity monitoring portion of the monitoring plan**

For the record, Supervisor Richard Lyman recused himself from the discussion on the Pound Ridge Golf Club water monitoring plan.

Deputy Supervisor Powers gave a brief background regarding the Eastwoods LLC-Pound Ridge Golf Club groundwater quantity (well water level) monitoring plan. Over the past six years, not a single water quantity complaint has been received by the Town has been determined to be caused by or related to operation of the Golf Course wells. The Golf Course owner is petitioning the Planning Board to end the groundwater quantity

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monitoring aspect of the Monitoring Plan since there have not been any problems for five years as per the provision within the plan to do so.

**RESOLUTION #: 171-14**

**Board Action:** Motion by Councilman Paschkes, seconded by Councilwoman Boak, the Board polled and the motion passed 4-0 with Supervisor Lyman abstaining, on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby refers this request to the Planning Board for their recommendations.

- **NYMIR – Insurance renewal as of 11/1/14**

Kieran Boyle, Risk Manager and Brian Miles, Vic-President of Spain Agency, reviewed the 2014-2015 NYMIR Liability and Property Insurance renewal proposal. They said that not much has changed from the coverage point. There has been an increase in pricing of 3% directly related to exposures, new vehicles and few equipment additions. Net is a flat rate overall with NYMIR. It is a reflection of few claims throughout the year. The following is a premium price comparison summary:

**Premium Summary for 11/1/2014 – 11/1/2015**

<u>Line of Business</u>	<u>2013-2014</u>		<u>2014-2015</u>
	<u>Selective</u>	<u>NYMIR</u>	
Package	\$118,500	\$46,599.30	\$48,419.80
Property	Included	Included	Included
General Liability	Included	Included	Included
Boiler & Machinery	Included	Included	Included
Crime	Included	\$6,792.50	\$6,792.50
Equipment Floater	Included	\$5,627.60	\$4,895.00
Business Auto	Included	\$18,981.60	\$20,981.40
Public Official Liability	Included	\$1,362.90	\$1,100.00
Law Enforcement Liability	Included	\$3,373.70	\$4,039.20
Umbrella	Included	\$17,402.00	\$16,898.20
<b>Sub-total Premium:</b>	<b>\$118,500.00</b>	<b>\$100,139.60</b>	<b>\$103,126.10</b>

NY Fire Fee	Included	\$91.24	\$94.04
Motor Vehicle Enforcement	Included	\$390.00	\$380.00

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Capitalization	n/a	\$1,520.50	\$1,520.50
<b>Total Premium:</b>	<b>\$118,500.00</b>	<b>\$102,141.34</b>	<b>\$105,120.64</b>

The Budget has increased 5.3% from last year.

Number of Vehicles has increased by 1.9% from last year.

Inland Marine values are 11.4% higher than last year.

Supervisor Lyman mentioned that the Town requested a quote from the Spain Agency for Worker's Compensation for the upcoming July 2015 renewal. There is also the thought of switching the renewal year to January to January instead of November to November. This can be done by putting in a short term policy until January and then an annual.

Further discussion took place regarding adequate coverage for the Parking District dumpster enclosures and a new storage trailer behind the Police Department. The Town policy doesn't particularly show coverage for the Town Board members as Commissioners of the Parking District or the enclosures. Counsel Harrington also brought up the fact that there is a fund of \$260,000 for the Slade Foundation that needs to have coverage in case of fraud. The Town should be protected. It was suggested that our Town insurance consultant, Harvey Dann, look into this and give the Town recommendations. The other areas of coverage are the cemetery and walking trails and preserves within the Town. The Town should be protected if there should be an accident on those properties. If they are owned by the Town, they should be included in the coverage. Brian Miles and Kieran Boyle will work with Harvey Dann and make sure the Town is fully covered.

**RESOLUTION #: 172-14**

**Board Action:** Motion by Councilman Paschkes, seconded by Councilman Powers, all voting aye on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby ratifies the approval of the NYMIR renewal proposal for 2014-2015 as presented with further review by the Town insurance consultant.

- **Recreation Department-discuss Board of Health fines**

David Goldberg, Superintendent of Recreation and Town Attorney William Harrington attended a hearing with the Westchester County Board of Health on October 9, 2014 to answer the Notice of Hearing the Town received for infraction with paper work for the 2014 Teen Travel camp. The result of the hearing reduced the \$18,000 worth of fines to \$1,000 in penalties. The infractions have been corrected and amended.

- **Discuss Cemetery Issues – Councilman Paschkes**

Councilman Paschkes had an inquiry as to whether the Town could revise the current procedure of internment. The inquiry came about regarding the one operator the Town

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has used over the years to dig the gravesites. Councilman Paschkes would like to open this up to other qualified people/companies by a bid process. He will consult with Ray Andretta, Cemetery Commissioner and see who else would be qualified with the proper requisite, knowledge and skills to be the grave digger. Counsel Harrington will look into any legal aspect to make sure the proper person is qualified under the State law. The surrounding Towns will also be called to see who they use and compare the pricing.

- **Discuss Sachs Park memorials**

Supervisor Lyman talked about the memorials that are currently at Sachs Park but are somewhat hidden. The memorials are for Eric Jones, a young local marine who was killed a few years ago, one for 911 victims and one for the all the people who worked with Hurricane Sandy. He is presenting the thought of moving those three memorials to the front of Conant Hall where they might be viewed more easily. He is looking to see if this is something the Town Board members would consider. Carol Cioppa has offered to help with the layout of the memorials with surrounding landscaping.

Councilman Paschkes felt that placing the memorials in front of Conant Hall is not a space where people would be inclined to stop and view. He suggested moving the memorials over to the area on the other side of the lake where the Town performs the annual 911 ceremony. He would like to see more use of Sachs Park, not less. Moving them to the other side of the lake would encourage more viewing. Supervisor Lyman appreciated the suggestion and will consider moving them either to the other side of the lake in Sachs Park or Conant Hall. He will consult with Carol Cioppa about this.

## **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- **Recreation Department-requests refund**

### **RESOLUTION #: 173-14**

**Board Action:** Motion by Councilman Powers, seconded by Councilwoman Boak, with Councilwoman Schwartz recussing herself, all voting aye on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the refund of a five hundred dollars (\$500) deposit for Conant Hall rental by the Pound Ridge Republican Town Committee for a fund raiser on October 24, 2014. The premises were inspected and found to be in acceptable condition.

- **Tax Receiver- request for refunds**

### **RESOLUTION #: 174-14**

**Board Action:** Motion by Councilman Powers, seconded by Councilwoman Schwartz, with Councilwoman Boak recussing herself, all voting aye on the following:

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RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the following refunds:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PARCEL ID</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>REASON</u>
DiRende	10047-53	244 Salem Road	\$4,233.48	duplicate payment
Weinstein	9320-2	15 High Ridge Rd.	\$9,486.73	duplicate payment
Lee	9816-29	Millertown Road	\$ 125.75	duplicate payment

- **Water Control Commission – bonds release**

**RESOLUTION #: 175-14**

**Board Action:** Motion by Councilman Powers, seconded by Councilman Paschkes, all voting aye on the following:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the following bond releases as the work has been satisfactorily completed:

Zofnass/Ring, Block 9317-15, in the amount of \$2,000 for an addition;  
Weiner, Block 9452-4.2, in the amount of \$3,000 for a sunroom addition.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Joanne Pace  
Dated at Pound Ridge, New York  
November 7, 2014