

TOWN OF PLATTEKILL
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

April 20, 2016

Time: 7:00 PM

SALUTE TO FLAG

Supervisor Croce opened the meeting with a salute to the American Flag.

ROLL CALL

The following Town Board Members were present:

- Supervisor Croce
- Councilman Putnam
- Councilwoman Delgado
- Councilman DePew

Councilman Farrelly was absent.

MINUTES

* Supervisor Croce made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the April 6, 2016 Regular Town Board Meeting.

Councilwoman Delgado seconded.

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| On the vote: Supervisor Croce | Yes |
| Councilman Putnam | Yes |
| Councilwoman Delgado | Yes |
| Councilman DePew | Abstained (he was absent 4/6/16) |

* Supervisor Croce made a motion to accept the minutes from the April 6, 2016 Regular Town Board Meeting.

Councilman Putnam seconded.

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| On the vote: Supervisor Croce | Yes |
| Councilman Putnam | Yes |
| Councilwoman Delgado | Yes |
| Councilman DePew | Abstained (he was absent 4/6/16) |

ADDITIONS:

Supervisor Croce stated that he had two additions to the evening's agenda; one was discussion on a laptop for the publicist and the second was a request from the Library.

1. Library Request:

Supervisor Croce read a letter from the Library Director, John Georghiou, on behalf of the Library Trustees, in regards to the Library wanting to upgrade their facility and possibly purchase the Town building where the Library currently exists. (The letter is attached to these minutes)

There was discussion that the letter was not from the Trustees, but from the Director and the Town Board would like something directly from the Trustees.

Ms. Valerie Smith, who was one of the Library Trustees, told the Town Board that the Trustees had asked the Director to be the go-between, between them and the Town Board.

Councilwoman Delgado stated that she was concerned about the Senior Center which is in the room under the Library. She would be interested in a discussion with the Trustees, but the Senior Center needs to be available for the Seniors. She stated that the discussion should also include, if the building is not used for the Library; what would the Town like to use it for in the future?

Councilman DePew and Councilman Putnam also stated that they would like to meet with the Trustees to have a discussion on the possibility of them taking over this building.

There were several comments about the Senior Center room, on the ground level of the building, and that it was dedicated to the seniors as their room. It was renovated and dedicated for the seniors with grant money received from Maurice Hinchey.

Supervisor Croce stated that he would respond to the Library Director and let him know that some of the Town Board members would be interested in a meeting to discuss this matter. He stated that he would look through the old Town records to see how the Town came into possession of this property and what legal action was taken.

Supervisor Croce suggested that he could ask the Trustees to come to a Town Board meeting.

The Town Board agreed that this would be a good idea.

PUBLIC INPUT

Mrs. Sis Morse stated that the Veteran's Committee had their annual spring dance and it went very well. They made \$1,855.00 for the Memorial Fund.

Mrs. Morse stated that she also wanted to ask the Town Board to authorize her to purchase 300 small flags and 200 flags for the Cemeteries in Town. She stated that she needed them for Memorial Day and that the cost should not exceed \$300.00.

* Councilwoman Delgado made a motion to authorize Mrs. Sis Morse and the Plattekill Veteran's Committee to purchase 300 small flags and another 200 flags for the Town Cemeteries at a cost not to exceed \$300.00.

Councilman Putnam seconded.

On the vote: all ayes.

Mrs. Morse stated that her last request was to ask the Town Board to appoint Mr. Carlos Arranz to the Veteran's Committee. He is a resident and has been working with the Veteran's Committee for many years. He is also a member of the AMVET Post #826.

* Councilman DePew made a motion to appoint Mr. Carlos Arranz to the Plattekill Veteran's Committee.

Councilman Putnam seconded.

On the vote: all ayes.

Mrs. Morse stated that she was around Town government and remembers getting the Library building. The Library always leased the upstairs portion of the building and Maurice Hinchey gave funds to renovate and set up the Senior Center.

Supervisor Croce stated that he was sure the Town Board would do there diligence in researching the history of the building and how it became part of the Town facilities before making any decisions.

Mrs. Esther Coppola asked the Supervisor how much it would cost to put a speaker in the meeting room so that people in the back of the room could hear. She stated that she has to sit in the front row so that she can hear what is going on.

Supervisor Croce stated that he did not have any idea how much it would cost and stated that he could look into getting some type of microphone.

Mrs. Coppola asked if residents would be allowed to speak during the portion of the agenda dealing with AK Farms and the racetrack.

Supervisor Croce stated that if there was an issue, the Town Board could decide to let residents make comments.

There were no further comments from the Public.

* Supervisor Croce made a motion to close the Public Input section of the meeting at 7:28 PM.

Councilman DePew seconded.

On the vote: all ayes.

SECTION 1 – AK FARMS & RACETRACK

Supervisor Croce stated that there were a lot of residents and non-residents here this evening to hear the discussion on AK Farms so he would like to move this item to the beginning of the meeting.

Mr. DeMarco, the Attorney for AK Farms stated that he was here this evening to continue the discussion on negotiating for Mr. Kalamucki to continue racing at his property located on Rt. 44-55 in Modena.

Mr. DeMarco stated that he and his client have been mindful of the issues that the Town Board has expressed. He stated that they were grateful the Town Board has kept an open mind on this situation. He went on to discuss that there was a concern for the dates that were put on the website, scheduling events. He explained that those dates had to be chosen so that the yearly schedule could be set up. If permission to race was not given by the date listed, then the event could be rescheduled to a different location.

Supervisor Croce explained that residents and the Town Board felt that people would be showing up on those dates and would have to be turned away. If people decided to ride there anyway, then they would be in violation of the Stipulation of Agreement. He stated that Mr. Kalamucki did take down the early dates as we had asked, but there are a few more dates still posted. He stated that verbally to Mr.

Kalamucki and through a letter from the Town Attorney, it has been indicated that there is a lot of work to be done and that there is a good chance there will be no racing for this year.

Mr. DeMarco stated that he would like to ask the Town Board, at this time to make it easy, to give the Town Attorney the authority, subsequent to further approval, to enter into an extension agreement. He stated that at this point they are only asking for four weekends. He stated that he feels there is enough time to get this all worked out.

Councilman DePew stated that he is a little baffled by his opening statement saying that this is old business. He stated that this situation was settled/resolved 20 years ago when a court stipulation was issued. What we are talking about now, that started this past October, was that you came in and we listened to your plight, tried to understand what you are doing, educated ourselves and you gave us some information. So you were here in October, then we didn't see you again until the end of December and you were given advice that you were proceeding at your own risk. He stated that there were 15 dates that were given to the Town Board, however there were 17 dates that were scheduled.

Mr. DeMarco stated that Mr. Kalamucki did start way before the October date that he indicated and they felt the Town was involved at the beginning. He stated that they felt the easiest way to proceed would be to obtain an extension on the Agreement.

Councilman DePew corrected him saying it was an Order of the Court.

Mr. DeMarco stated that he felt it was actually an agreement made between the Town and the owner of the property. The distinction is that this Board is completely within its authority to extend the agreement.

Councilwoman Delgado stated that his client has had 14 years to do something else. He also received money from the Town. The Court Stipulation says that racing would end after the 14 years. She stated that she was here on the Town Board at that time and remembers everything that happened in the court room, because she was sitting there.

Mr. DeMarco stated that he was not the Attorney then and the Attorney that was there was representing the people who were running the track at that time. Mr. Kalamucki was not the one suing the Town and he did not receive any money.

Councilwoman Delgado stated that she understood this, however the court order was a court order and it gave him 14 years to continue racing. Then he would have to do something else.

Mr. DeMarco stated that this situation has gone on for over 20 years because new homeowners moved into the area and were complaining. This property has seen over 50 years of racing motocross and Mr. Kalamucki does not want to sell his property. Being realistic, it can't go back to being a dairy farm and there are no other viable options that have been available. He wants to be a good neighbor and although there are a few people who find a problem with it, as the Supervisor has said in the past, the majority of residents don't really care if there is a racetrack there or not. He stated that the Stipulation of Agreement was made over 14 years ago and things have changed now. He stated that he had not FOIL'ed the number of complaints from the past few years, but doesn't think that there were many received. He stated that he felt this was a positive business for the Town and there are going to be protections in the agreement that will lessen the impact to the Town and the residents. This will be

less of an impact than it was in the past. When a law is written it is done for the conditions of the Town at that time. As times change, new laws can be written.

Mr. DeMarco stated that there were conditions in the Stipulation of Agreement and the owner has abided by those conditions. This is merely an extension of that Agreement. He started talking about how residents decided back then that they did not want to see motocross in their Town and that was a decision made back then.

Councilman DePew cut in and stated that he had to object to what Mr. DeMarco was saying. We do have another racetrack in Town.

Mr. DeMarco stated yes, he does realize that there is another track in Town that has been there for many years. They did come in to the Town and make application to be there with certain restrictions and Mr. Kalamucki would like to do the same.

Mr. DeMarco stated that there are basically three problems with the track; dust, overnight parking and noise. He stated that the dust problem, as has been explained, has been taken care of by paving the roadway in and then a water truck will be used to constantly water down the other roadways and track.

Mr. DeMarco continued saying that they have had two studies done on noise. One was done at an adjoining property owner and the other was done from the road. Both places, the levels were not over the Town allowable level.

Councilman DePew stated that in remembering the first study, you had not taken into account the different levels of the land and comments were made about that. Now you are saying you did another noise test; how did you do this without motorcycles running?

Mr. DeMarco stated that they used the first study for that part of the noise test. He stated that they did have a bike on the track and simulated what the noise would be. He stated that the second study was to focus on an engineering plan to lessen the noise. He went on saying that the noisiest portion of the race is at the start. He stated that they were well within the noise level of the Town at the start and they stayed within the noise level throughout the track.

Mr. DeMarco stated that they would be doing another noise study when they are allowed to start racing again.

Supervisor Croce stated that Mr. DeMarco was making a lot of promises here and they need to talk about what happens if the code is violated.

Mr. DeMarco stated that they did agree that there should be some penalties in the event that they do violate the Town Code. They submitted some figures and the Town Attorney stated that they should be higher. Ok, we went along with that. We want to come back with some new data and feedback from the neighbors and we will continue to work on ways to diminish the noise. We don't want the Town to think that we will just pay the fines as the cost of doing business.

Mr. DeMarco stated that they also looked at pushing the track back further on the property, but the people who did the noise study feel that the land is higher in the back and the sound will travel more. He stated that, in the industry, all the tracks are having issues with noise. He stated that he foresees the motorcycles changing over to electric and then there will be no noise, but that is a good ten or more years off.

Councilman Putnam asked when the first study was done? Why didn't they try to put the barriers up and then do the study to see if they would work? You knew the agreement was ending in December.

Mr. DeMarco stated that at the first race, they will do another study.

Councilwoman Delgado stated that they knew the deadline was coming, why didn't you do these studies when the track was still running? She stated that the racers are always fixing their bikes on a race day or tuning them during practice time. What have you done to eliminate the noise where they will be revving their bikes when they are off the track?

Mr. DeMarco stated that there is a certain amount of noise that is inherent in the sport. The industry is trying to give this consideration. We need to give this a chance.

There was a comment from the public about the noise study and Mr. DeMarco stated that the noise study was done this spring. This started another discussion about how a proper noise study could have been done when there was no racing and Mr. DeMarco stated that they did a "simulation" of a race. His opinion was that the day of races would be less noisy as there are a limited number of racers in each race. The louder days would be on practice sessions when there are a lot more racers on the track.

Mr. DeMarco asked an engineer that has been working on the site plan to discuss where the overnight parking would be.

The representative showed that there would be a roadway out to the back – northern area of the property and the campers would be in rows with streets that would allow access for safety or service vehicles. This area would also be secured by overnight security personnel who would be on duty for Saturday nights.

Supervisor Croce stated that some campers come in on Friday night for Saturday and Sunday.

The Town Board continued to ask questions about the map that had been presented and about the "pit" area. That would still be located near resident's homes.

Councilwoman Delgado stated that the pit areas are often louder than the track itself.

Mr. Cappello spoke up at this time. He stated that there was a 14 year Stipulation of Agreement and the Town Board adopted new Zoning laws. They had provisions for other tracks to come in and apply and this track sued the Town and received an additional 14 years.

Mr. Cappello continued saying that anyone can approach the Town Board and say that they want to do something. The Town Board did ask for more information and has received it. If the Town Board decides that this is a good thing for the Town, they can then amend the law and make it possible. That is up to the Town Board. If they don't feel it is a good idea, they can simply choose not to take any action. That is up to the Town Board. This map supplied tonight is not a site plan. It doesn't show parking, where vendors will be, lighting, etc. If the Town Board thinks they would want to do this, then they would have to draft a new local law and have a public hearing and the applicant would have to go before the Planning Board. The Town Board has to decide first, do you want to continue to entertain this project. If you decide to continue, it will probably take the rest of this year to get these things done.

Mr. DeMarco asked Mr. Cappello if he felt the Town Board could just extend the Agreement?

Mr. Cappello stated that he did not think so, unless the Town Board adopts a new revised Zoning Law and puts some provisions in the code. The Town Board would have to draft the law and hold a public

hearing. He stated that the likelihood of all this happening in 2016 does not look good. He just wants everyone to understand.

Councilman DePew stated that he was having a hard time with this and wondered if the Planning Board should not be part of this.

Mr. Cappello stated no, this is up to the Town Board to decide if this is something good for the Town and the Town Board would have to amend the law all before going to the Planning Board. There are building dept. codes and health department codes, fire/safety lanes and there needs to be potable water near the facilities, among other things. They can't go to the Planning Board until the Town Board changes the Zoning Law.

Councilwoman Delgado asked if the Town Board changed the Zoning, then does this mean the other racetracks could come back in and be included?

Mr. Cappello stated that he felt the law could be tailored to just allow this situation, but there is always that possibility.

Councilwoman Delgado stated again that she was part of the Town Board when all this was going on 14 years ago. She stated that they went through a lot and she feels that she does not want to go through this again.

Supervisor Croce stated that the Town Board has been discussing this for many months now. AK Farm is asking that the Town Board consider extending into a new Agreement. We have considered this question, done research on our own as well as obtaining information from the applicant. We have consulted with our Town Attorney. He stated that he felt the Town Board was at the stage where we have to determine if we want to continue on the path we have been on or do we not want to. He stated that he would entertain a motion if anyone on the Town Board wanted to make one. Are we going to continue down the path we have been on?

Councilman DePew stated that he did not feel he was ready to decide this tonight. He stated that there was a lot of information to absorb from the discussion tonight.

Supervisor Croce stated that he did not know what more information we are going to have after tonight. The Court ordered Stipulation was in place that said there was to be no more racing at AK Farms after Dec. 31, 2015. We were approached to consider and we were optimistic that we could work something out that would be acceptable to Mr. Kalamucki and to the surrounding home owners. We've listened to a lot. We had a lot of proposals. We requested a lot of information. We need to figure out, are we going to continue considering, and this is a very costly thing, are we going to consider continuing on the path we are on, or are we saying that we don't think we should continue on that path. He stated that he felt the Town Board needs to make this decision.

Mr. Cappello stated that the Town Board could just say how they feel. You would not have to make a motion.

Ms. Valerie Smith questioned what they would be making a decision on?

Supervisor Croce stated that he felt that in all fairness to everyone, we should make a decision. Do we stay on the path we are on or do we not continue on this path. Do we want to try to hammer out a new agreement?

Mr. Cappello stated that the first question is whether the Town Board wants to continue to consider this project.

Councilman Putnam stated that he felt the ramifications that the Town Board would endure would be too much if we considered this any further.

Councilwoman Delgado stated that she agreed and we would have to change the Zoning and see what would piggy-back on to that Zoning. To be honest, she would not like to go on with this as she went through this the first time. She remembers having to go to court with Mr. Cohen and with the Lembo track and she remembers what happened back then. She stated that it ripped the Town apart last time and she does not want to see that happen again. She stated that she is not against motocross, but she would not want to see the Town go through that again.

Councilman DePew stated that as a Town Board member he feels he represents all the Town residents including Mr. Kalamucki. Having stated that, he feels the Town Board has done a lot of research and homework and we have had a lot of discussion on this matter and educated ourselves well. He stated that he does not see any quick resolution to this and to be totally honest, he took an oath to abide by the laws and the law was that it was to decrease. He continued saying that he stated that he would not want it to stop completely if there was a possibility, but he does not see this, on a weighed scale, happening. He is not seeing how we can make this happen.

Supervisor Croce stated that he will go on record as saying that he was optimistic that this could be worked out, that we could all live in this Town and Mr. Kalamucki could have his business. He stated that he still thinks that if people were reasonable that this could happen; however, it seems that there are three people who don't want to go along with it. He stated that we could listen to some comments from the public.

Mrs. Coppola stated that she was on the Planning Board at the time all of this went on 14 years ago. She stated that the focus seems to be on the neighbors and what was going on and she wanted to say that this was on the whole community and not just a portion of it. There was taxpayer money expended on the law suits and as Councilwoman Delgado said, we do remember it well and would not want to go through all of that again. She stated that she thought it was good that the Town Board considered this issue, but feels that it would be a step backwards and not a good idea.

Mr. Follan stated that he is a neighbor of the track and he felt the Town Board is putting Mr. Kalamucki out of business. If any of you were in his shoes, this is horrible to see, we are going to lose this for the kids. He stated that he was very upset with the Town Boards decision.

Ms. Smith stated that over the years there has been more homes built in the area than there were back 14 years ago, so she feels the area has changed, but to be more residential. And even if you lessen the impact of this sport, it is not allowed in the first place. She stated that she was there too, when all this was going on and she remembers that the property owner was told that they had 14 years to find something else to do.

Mr. DeMarco asked what she would suggest the owner do with his property?

Ms. Smith stated that it was not her baby.

Supervisor Croce asked that everyone please make their comments to the Town Board.

Mrs. Morse stated that she was involved in this too, from the beginning and she would agree that the Judge gave Mr. Kalamucki 14 years to do something with his property. She stated that she remembers when friends were pitted against friends and neighbors against neighbors. She feels that he should have approached the Town Board before the eleventh hour if he wanted to do something. She stated that Councilwoman Delgado was correct in her comments and she does not want to see all that went on back then, to be done all over again.

Supervisor Croce asked if Mr. DeMarco wanted to speak again.

Mr. DeMarco thanked the Town Board for keeping an open mind in considering the project that had been brought before them. He stated that he was mystified by this end. He stated that all he has heard is that there was a case and there was an order and it expired. Times change, laws change, if laws were not changed, we'd have the same ones forever. Nothing would ever be revised. He stated that he was not here to earn a fee; he got involved because he likes the sport. There are plenty of kids who have gone on to do wonderful things that have found themselves through this sport. This motocross district has spawned National level talent from this area. You have now eliminated the sport. Everyone says that they support the sport, however there was this case. We don't want to break up this Town either; we just wanted to extend the agreement. But you just put this man out of business. People say he should have figured out something else to do. He could have split up the property and sold it for homes, but that is going to impact the community too.

Mr. DeMarco stated that Mr. Kalamucki will have to now come in and go through the process, come in for site plan and maybe go to court if it comes to that. Maybe they will win, maybe the Town will win; we can't be sure. But, they were hoping to avoid all of that.

Mr. DeMarco stated that he was discouraged. Everyone seems to be for the sport and this is a 3rd generation resident who is not just coming into Town to try to take advantage of the Town. He stated that he still thinks that this is a good thing for the Town and he appreciates the Town Board's time that they gave to this. They will be back to make a formal application.

Supervisor Croce stated that he knows the Town Board made an honest effort to see how this would work out.

Mr. DeMarco stated that he realizes this and they will have to reorganize and come back with plan B.

Mrs. Gilman stated that she thought Mr. Kalamucki had a mining permit on his property.

Supervisor Croce stated that he did not know the answer to her question and was not going to go into discussion on Mr. Kalamucki's finances.

Ms. Valerie Smith stated that the real issue is that motocross is not suitable in a residential zone. It is not about the sport.

Supervisor Croce thanked everyone for their comments.

****Mr. Cappello left the Town Board meeting at this time. (9:00 PM)

SECTION 1 – LAP TOP COMPUTER FOR PUBLICIST

Councilman DePew stated that in accordance with the 2016 Town Budget, there is \$1,000.00 to be used to purchase a new lap top for the Town Publicist. He stated that he asked Mrs. Colombo for specifications that she would need and had received one price quote from her. He stated that he wants to have three price quotes and he should have them by the next meeting. He will be using her criteria to customize the computer for her needs.

Councilman DePew stated that he has spoken with Councilwoman Delgado and they feel that they should be able to stay within the budgeted amount and also obtain an external hard drive for storage.

Councilman DePew stated that he would expect to have all the quotes together for the next Town Board Meeting.

SECTION 2 – POLICE DEPT. MONTHLY REPORT – MARCH 2016

Supervisor Croce read the Police Dept. Monthly Report for March 2016. He read that there were 246 documented calls for service and there were 7 motor vehicle accidents with 6 people reporting injuries.

Supervisor Croce read the Detective Report stating that they worked the following cases: 1 unlawful surveillance, 10 Grand and Petit Larceny's, 2 Criminal trespasses, 1 unattended death, 1 burglary, 1 stalking and 1 attempted fraud.

Supervisor Croce read that they had purchased 3 refurbished laptop computers to replace three, eight year old ones and they purchased 1 new document shredder.

Supervisor Croce read that the PBA was going to hold the 4th annual Bruce Loertscher Memorial Scholarship Pig Roast at the Thomas Felten Park on Sunday, June 12th, 2016 and the tickets were \$20.00 per person. The tickets are available in the Town Clerk's Office and from any officer.

SECTION 3 – DOG CONTROL MONTHLY REPORT – MARCH 2016

Councilwoman Delgado read the Dog Control Monthly Report for March 2016. She read that there were 18 calls this month with 5 calls to service from the Plattekill PD, State Police and Ulster County Sherriff. He responded to 4 active complaints or cases that are now closed or resolved. There is currently 1 open case that is ongoing, 2 stray dogs were impounded, 5 appearance tickets issued, no dogs currently in the kennel and there were no dog bites reported this month. There are no dangerous dog cases in the Plattekill Court.

Mr. McKee had included a listing of his total mileage for the month of March at 289.8 miles.

Supervisor Croce stated that he wanted to contact Mr. McKee as there seems to be numerous trips to the Town kennel.

Councilman DePew stated that he had noticed that there were some dogs in the kennel for a while.

Councilwoman Delgado stated that she still feels that we are paying mileage for him to come to the shelter and we do not pay other employees to come to the town hall.

Supervisor Croce stated that he is using his vehicle to do his job, and much of his office is at home. He is usually coming here to take care of the dogs.

SECTION 4 – ASSESSOR MONTHLY REPORT – MARCH 2016

Councilman Putnam read the Assessor Dept. Monthly Report for March 2016. He read that there were 18 transfers, 2 armslength transactions and 6 vacant and 9 residential sales. The sale price of residential homes only was \$173,000.00.

Supervisor Croce stated that the item to notice is that there were no foreclosures for the past two months.

SECTION 5 – BUILDING DEPT. MONTHLY REPORT – MARCH 2016

Councilman DePew read the Building Dept. Monthly Report for March 2016. He read that there were 21 Permits issued, 8 violations issued, 2 violations closed, 44 inspections done including complaints, building, violations, fire safety and C of O's and C of C's, 11 complaints, 6 municipal searches and 6 CC & C of O's issued. These numbers do not include returning phone calls and residents coming in for assistance with codes, building permits and zoning and subdivision issues.

SECTION 6 – RECREATION REPORT

Supervisor Croce read a report from the Assistant Recreation Director updating everyone on the Easter Egg Hunt, the Summer Camp, the Senior Picnic and other spring sports.

Supervisor Croce read that the Easter Egg Hunt went well with many children gathering over 2000 eggs that were stuffed with candy. She stated that they did have a few complaints that some of the younger children did not get many eggs as the older children were grabbing them up quickly. Next year she will have 2 more separate age group sections to make it easier for the younger children to gather their own eggs.

Supervisor Croce read that Summer Camp registration is open and there are already 17 campers signed up. Camp registration will also be held on Monday April 25 from 4 to 7 PM, Thursday, May 5 and May 12th from 5 to 7PM and Saturday, May 7th from 8AM to 11AM. There will be a June 8th Camp Staff Meeting and she is currently looking for an EMT and a Lifeguard.

Supervisor Croce read that the Senior Spring Picnic was in the works and she is looking for a location in June to hold the event.

Supervisor Croce read that the Summer Camp will have a float in the Memorial Day Parade. Permission slips are available for any campers that would like to help decorate and ride on the float. This will be advertised on the Facebook page and we should have a great turnout!

SECTION 7 – MEN'S SOFTBALL LEAGUE

Supervisor Croce stated that he has been researching what the Men's Softball League had paid last year to use the Town field. He stated that it looks like the league paid \$50.00 per team. He wanted to know if the Town Board wanted to raise this fee or keep it the same. He stated that the Town used to collect all the money and then pay the umpires and purchase the supplies. This changed and the league itself is now paying for their own expenses. They just pay the Town to help pay for the upkeep on the field.

The Town Board was in agreement that the fee should stay the same as it was last year, \$50.00.

Supervisor Croce stated that he would contact Frank Scotto and let him know.

SECTION 8 – LANDFILL MONITORING

Supervisor Croce explained that the Town has to monitor the fluids at the Town Landfill site and then file a form/report with the State. This is something that is supposed to be done on a regular basis. He stated that he had obtained price quotes from three different companies: GreenStar came in with a price quote of \$11,750.00, Morris Associates came in at \$9,900.00 and C2G Environmentals came in at \$9,895.00. This price includes preparing and submitting the State Report.

* Councilman Putnam made a motion to use C2G Environmental, the same company we used last year, at a cost of \$9,895.00.

Councilwoman Delgado seconded.

On the vote: all ayes.

SECTION 9 – SOLAR FARMS

Supervisor Croce explained that he is still receiving phone calls from companies who want to do Solar Farms here in Plattekill. This is not putting solar panels on people's roofs. These are fields of solar panels and our Town Code does not have anything on these types of businesses. We have residents calling because the companies are contacting them to use their properties and he has heard some scary stories from other neighboring Towns.

Supervisor Croce stated that he is not one for being in favor of a moratorium, but we need to do some research. He would like Town Board to give him a letter stating what their concerns are so he can take them to the Attorney to see what we should do. We need to know what we are regulating before we can try to add some codes to our Town Code.

Supervisor Croce gave several examples of solar farm questions. What does it take to decommission a solar farm? If a home has 100 acres and the owner wants to have someone come in and put in hundreds of panels, can we stop them?

Councilman DePew stated that the State Building Code has to say something about this, under the energy codes. He stated that he has heard a lot of people and organizations that have received letters asking if they want to do this.

Mr. Tom Wilkin stated that moratoriums have to go before the County Planning Board.

Supervisor Croce stated that the head of the County Planning Board was at a Supervisor's Meeting and he stated that he will work with any Town's that are looking for help in this matter.

Mr. Wilkin stated that the County is working on a model law in regards to this matter and should have a draft very soon.

SECTION 10 – ADVERTISE FOR SUMMER CAMP EMT & LIFEGUARD

* Supervisor Croce made a motion that the Town Clerk is authorized to put a help wanted ad in the Southern Ulster Times for an EMT and a Lifeguard for Summer Camp.

Councilwoman Delgado seconded.

On the vote: all ayes.

SECTION 11 – VOUCHERS

* Councilman DePew made a motion to pay the Voucher Detail Report dated 4/20/2016, which includes: the General Fund amount of \$29,113.47, the Highway Fund amount of \$16,418.00, the Clintondale Light District amount of \$682.86, the Modena Light District amount of \$1,239.60, the Drainage District amount of \$1,017.00, and the Trust & Agency amount of \$5,420.25 for a total amount of \$53,891.18 recognizing that the Audit Committee has reviewed the claims and found them acceptable for payment.

Councilwoman Delgado seconded.

On the vote: all ayes.

SECTION 12 – ADJOURNMENT

* Supervisor Croce made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:38 PM.

Councilwoman Delgado seconded.

On the vote: all ayes.