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Monday, February 27, 2017

The Town of Fallsburg Town Board
Conducted their Legislative Meeting at the Town Hall,
19 Railroad Plaza, South Fallsburg, New York 12779
6:00 pm

PRESENT:

Supervisor Steven Vegliante
Councilman Arnold Seletsky
Councilman Mike Weiner
Councilman Nathan Steingart
Councilman Joe Levner

Town Clerk Donna Akerley
Attorney for the Town Paula E. Kay
Supervisor's Secretary Linda Ingber
Comptroller Scott DuBois
Police Chief Simmie Williams
Sullivan County Legislator Ira Steingart

5:45 pm – Motion by Councilman Seletsky, seconded by Councilman Weiner to open - Unsafe Building Hearing regarding repair / removal located at 49 Porter Road, Mountindale, NY 12763 – SBL# 65.-1-1.1

**** Attorney Ivan Kalter spoke on behalf of property owner as follows:**

"I represent Wilfredo Ramirez, his house burned down. He filed a claim with the insurance company. The insurance company has some suspicions whether it was arson or whether he did it. They had a deposition of Wilfredo Ramirez about 3 or 4 weeks ago. They have not yet disclaimed. I suspect they are going to provide coverage. The insurance policy provides floor coverage for removal of the debris. I would ask if any action be held in advance until we know exactly what our position is with the insurance company. If they disclaim we are going to sue. I know the Town wants to get rid of this because it is an eye sore and may be dangerous. Why should the Town spend money that the insurance company has I believe the obligation to pay for it, If you remove it I don't know the cost of it it will be thousands of dollars. You will have vacant land that won't be worth anywhere near the cost of the removal. I am going to ask the Town to hold this action in the bank until we have an idea what the insurance company is going to do."

Supervisor Steven Vegliante: "I appreciate that, I think the estranged wife contacted us. Do you know what the date was? How long has this been this way?"

Attorney Ivan Kalter: "I don't have the date for that loss. I spoke to Mollie; I understand that Mollie is away. I might ask that this be adjourned apparently because it was advertised and she wasn't in today. She indicated that she would follow up the status with the insurance company."

Supervisor Steven Vegliante: "I would recommend doing is finding the building being unsafe and maybe giving you a short amount of time with the insurance company."

Councilman Weiner: "How much time does it take between yourself and the insurance company?"

Attorney Ira Kalter: "This is the first time I have been involved in a fire loss. Practicing 50 years and this is the first time I ever I had to go through a deposition that an insurance company requested that they had a right they took out a policy. This is new area for me."

Supervisor Steven Vegliante: "Did you say they think he burned it down?"

Attorney Ivan Kalter: "He did well at the deposition he had an excellent alibi. They were a little suspicious; they had a right to do this under the policy. Nobody has yet determined the cause of the fire."

Motion by Councilman Weiner, seconded by Councilman Seletsky to close Unsafe Building Hearing.

5:50 pm – Motion by Councilman Seletsky, seconded by Councilman Weiner to open Unsafe Building Hearing regarding repair/ removal located at 72 Spring Glen Road, Mountaindale, NY 12763 – SBL#44.-1-39

**** No Comments**

Motion by Councilman Steingart, seconded by Councilman Levner to close Unsafe Building Hearing.

5:55 pm – Motion by Councilman Weiner, seconded by Councilman Seletsky to open Unsafe Building Hearing regarding repair / removal located at 5068 Main Street, South Fallsburg, NY 12779 – SBL# 54.-2-1

**** No Comments**

Motion by Councilman Steingart, seconded by Councilman Weiner to close Unsafe Building Hearing.

6:00 pm – Legislative Meeting called to order by Supervisor Steven Vegliante

Salute to the Flag: BY Sullivan County Legislator Ira Steingart

Supervisor's Report: NONE

Legislator’s Report:

BY Sullivan County Legislator Ira Steingart: “I don’t know if everybody is aware the state the Governor pushing consolidation. I believe in fact there is a meeting tomorrow night Louie is going to. I heard other municipalities I am not going to say who it is but they are looking to have the County take over their DPW. I can’t see that getting support from the rest of the Legislators expect that district he is in. It is something that I think in my opinion the County and the Board Supervisors should get together and start working on, there is going to be money that the Government is going to clear out.”

Liaison Reports:

NONE

Correspondence:

BY Town Clerk Donna Akerley (attached)

Citizen’s Comments:

NONE

Operations

Motion # 68

Motion to by Councilman Seletsky, seconded by Councilman Steingart to reject the bid received for Main Street and Railroad Avenue Traffic Signal (Hurleyville)

Supervisor Steven Vegliante: “ **As a matter of comment** We had rejected only because we were getting DOT on Monday we hadn’t expect it when we put it out for bid so it has to be to re-bid and new sets approved.”

Motion Carried 5 Ayes

Motion # 69

Motion by Councilman Weiner, seconded by Councilman Seletsky to approve the repair / removal located at 49 Porter Road, Mountaindale, NY 12763 – SBL# 65.-1-1.1 (***Procedure to proceed is on hold for one month as per Town Board***)

Motion Carried 5 Ayes

Motion # 70

Motion by Councilman Weiner, seconded by Councilman Seletsky to approve the repair/ removal located at 72 Spring Glen Road, Mountaindale, NY 12763 – SBL #44.-1-39

Motioned by Councilman Seletsky, seconded by Councilman Steingart

Motion Carried 5 Ayes

Motion # 71

Motion by Councilman Weiner, seconded by Councilman Seletsky to approve repair / removal located at 5068 Main Street, South Fallsburg, NY 12779 – SBL# 54.-2-1

Motion Carried 5 Ayes

Finance:

Motion # 72

Motion by Councilman Seletsky, seconded by Councilman Steingart to review & approve Warrant # 02B17 dated 02/22/17 in the amount of \$ 1,124,838.38

Motion Carried 5 Ayes

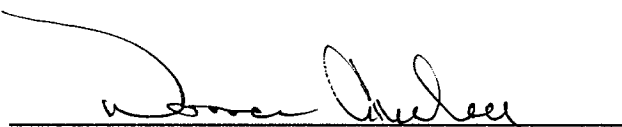
Motion # 73

Motion by Councilman Seletsky, seconded by Councilman Weiner to authorize the Town Clerk to solicit a Re-Bid for 1-A Low Abrasion Non Wappinger Crushed Limestone to be conducted on Friday, March 10, 2017 @ 1:00 pm due to no bids being received on original bid date of 02/27/17.

Motion Carried 5 Ayes

6:18 pm – Motion by Councilman Levner, seconded by Councilman Steingart to enter into Executive Session as set forth in Public Officers law Sec. 105 (1) regarding: **Personnel Matters**

7:48 pm – Motion by Councilman Seletsky, seconded by Councilman Levner to adjourn Executive Session and Legislative Meeting.



Donna Akerley, Town of Fallsburg Town Clerk