

A recessed meeting of the Town of Cochection was held on May 16, 2013 at 6:30 P.M. at the Cochection Town Hall with the following members present:

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Maas with the pledge to the flag at 6:35 P.M.

PRESENT: Supervisor Gary Maas
Councilperson Larry Richardson
Councilperson Edwin Grund
Councilperson Richard Schulman
Councilperson Anna Story

OTHERS PRESENT:
Hollye Schulman –Town Clerk

Reason for the recessed meeting was to have the Town Board members discuss language changes for the Codification of the Town of Cochection Local Laws for General Code. Plus any other business that comes before the board

Supervisor Maas mentioned that an AFLAC representative spoke to him earlier in the week. She is willing to make a presentation to the board if there are at least 3 persons interested in this insurance policy. There needs to be 3 persons interested to start the process. Supervisor Maas needs permission to start the process. Councilperson Richardson wants a resolution stating what the town's responsibility is for this insurance

MOTION: On motion by Councilperson Richardson, seconded by Councilperson Story, the following motion was to authorize the Supervisor to sign the application to start the process. All voted in favor

During the discussion regarding language changes for the Codification process; there was a voice vote taken regarding **Section 195-1 Smoking Prohibited**

VOICE VOTE:

Councilperson Story: Just remove the word New

Councilperson Schulman: all buildings should be included

Councilperson Grund: Just remove the word New

Councilperson Richardson: should include all buildings not just the Town Hall

Supervisor Maas: Just remove the word New

Councilperson Richardson reason was he feels there should be consistence in the law

Supervisor Maas reason was he deferred to the language suggested by the Attorney

More language for the codification process was discussed and will be forwarded to General Code

The Town Board also discussed the Schedule of Fees and changes to be made that were discussed during the language changes for codification

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Basement Completion –1st coat of paint and trim has been done; knobs have been put on; moving along
2. Unsafe buildings – received notification that the Pines property is up for auction on June 4th. There is a three hundred thousand plus lean against the property;
3. Codify Local Laws –Tag Grant –discussed earlier
4. Generator for Sewer Dept. –pending
5. Re-levy –Lennox Bailey

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Computer server security – pending
2. Clean up Days –May 18th and 19th from 9:00 A.M. – 2:45 P.M. each day at the Old Town Hall
3. AFLAC – discussed earlier
4. Visitors Center –Supervisor Maas asked Councilperson Richardson about this project—not sure if the funding is still in place, the project may not go through; but it could still go through if funding is found

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Received information from NYS Dept. of Taxation and Finance Office of Real Property informing us what the equalization rate for 2013 will be. It is at 80% which is up 6 points from last year. Most surrounding towns have stayed about the same
2. Fax received from Sullivan County Public Health – asking for office space for the Public Health Nurses. Seeking access to a desk space for use by any of the Sullivan County Public Health Nurses as needed, when the Town Hall is open

MOTION: on motion by Councilperson Richardson, seconded by Councilperson Grund, the following motion was to approve the Public Health Nurses to use the Town Board room through the end of the year, to see how it works out. All voted in favor

3. Adam Weinreich –asked permission to hold board meetings for WJFF radio at the Old Town Hall there are usually 30-40 people present for the meetings. This was discussed under consideration would be compensation, how often the meetings would be held, and when. The Town Board is planning on closing the Old Town Hall sometime in the fall perhaps October to save on the cost of running the building

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Nobody wished to comment.

MOTION: On motion of Councilperson Grund, seconded by Councilperson Story, the following motion was to adjourn this Town Board meeting. Time: 8:58 PM. All voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Hollye Schulman, Town Clerk