

December 30, 2015

Minutes of the Bi-Monthly and Final Town Board Meeting for 2015 held Wednesday, December 30, 2015, at 5:30 PM, at the Keene Town Hall. The following Town Board Members were present: William B. Ferebee, Supervisor, Paul R. Martin, Michael J. Buysse and Jerry D. Smith, Members of Council. Absent: Robert M. Biesemeyer, Councilman. Also present: Elizabeth Davidson and Ellen Estes, Town Clerk.

The Chairman, Mr. Ferebee, called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Resolution No. 210 – 15

Mr. Martin offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that at their request, permission be given to the East Branch Friends of the Arts to use Marcy Field on Sunday, June 19, 2016, to hold their annual Kite Festival. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Smith.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ferebee:	Yes
Mr. Martin:	Yes
Mr. Biesemeyer:	Absent
Mr. Buysse:	Absent at this time
Mr. Smith:	Yes

Resolution No. 211 – 15

Mr. Smith offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that authorization be given for issuance of a Highway Permit for the Annual Doc Lopez Run for Health event to be held on Saturday, March 19, 2016 and that the fee be waived due to the not-for-profit status. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Martin.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ferebee:	Yes
Mr. Martin:	Yes
Mr. Biesemeyer:	Absent
Mr. Buysse:	Absent at this time
Mr. Smith:	Yes

Resolution No. 212 -15

Mr. Martin offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that at their request, permission be given for the North Country SPCA to use Marcy Field on Sunday, July 10, 2016, to hold their annual fundraiser, Paws Cause. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Smith.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ferebee:	Yes
Mr. Martin:	Yes
Mr. Biesemeyer:	Absent
Mr. Buysse:	Yes
Mr. Smith:	Yes

Resolution No. 213 – 15

Mr. Martin offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board offer a Resolution of Recognition to Franklin W. Rapp for the generous donation of Adirondack books, many of which are first editions and no longer in print, made to the Keene Public Library. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Buysse.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ferebee:	Yes
Mr. Martin:	Yes
Mr. Biesemeyer:	Absent
Mr. Buysse:	Yes
Mr. Smith:	Yes

Mr. Ferebee said that following the previous discussions regarding the request by the Highway Employees regarding Compensatory Time, he said that he has the policy ready for review.

Resolution No. 214 – 15

Mr. Smith offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that after previous discussions regarding compensatory time, the Town Board adopt the Compensatory Time Policy, which has been attached to and made a part of these minutes, and have this policy added to the Employee Handbook. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Buysse.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ferebee:	Yes
Mr. Martin:	Yes
Mr. Biesemeyer:	Absent
Mr. Buysse:	Yes
Mr. Smith:	Yes

The next discussion was in regards to the Health Insurance Reimbursements.

Mr. Ferebee said that he felt this Buy Out/Reimbursement Program should be capped at \$4,000.

Discussion revolved around this being an opt-out incentive for individuals not taking the Town's health insurance.

He said to qualify, an employee would need to show proof of other health insurance and would be required to sign the waiver which has been supplied by the County. When asked how many individuals were eligible; Mr. Ferebee said there was a potential of 4.

Resolution No. 215 – 15

Mr. Smith offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board cap the Health Insurance Buy Out/Reimbursement at \$4,000. Be it also resolved, that proof of insurance and signed waiver will be required. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Martin.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ferebee:	Yes
Mr. Martin:	Yes
Mr. Biesemeyer:	Absent
Mr. Buysse:	Yes
Mr. Smith:	Yes

Resolution No. 216 – 15

Mr. Buysse offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board adopt Resolution No. 216 – 15, a Resolution Transferring Funds. This resolution in its entirety has been attached to and made a part of these minutes. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Martin.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ferebee:	Yes
Mr. Martin:	Yes
Mr. Biesemeyer:	Absent
Mr. Buysse:	Yes
Mr. Smith:	Yes

Resolution No. 217 – 15

The Town Board adopted Resolution No. 217 – 15, a Blanket Resolution for Transfer of Funds. This resolution, in its entirety, has been attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Resolution No. 218 – 15

Mr. Buysse offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board adopt Resolution No. 218 – 15, a Resolution to Amend the 2015 Budget. This resolution, in its entirety, has been attached to and made a part of these minutes. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Martin.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ferebee: Yes  
Mr. Martin: Yes  
Mr. Biesemeyer: Absent  
Mr. Buysse: Yes  
Mr. Smith: Yes

Mr. Buysse said he has not picked up the shield for the push snow blower yet. He said he questioned the size.

Resolution No. 219 – 15

Mr. Smith offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the following bills be accepted for payment, including those that were prepaid. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Buysse.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ferebee: Yes  
Mr. Martin: Yes  
Mr. Biesemeyer: Absent  
Mr. Buysse: Yes  
Mr. Smith: Yes

Multi-Fund Vouchers Numbered 803 to 853, totaling \$286,701.93, as follows:

General Fund	- \$276,040.61
Highway Fund	- 2,538.78
Library Fund	- 579.42
Water District No. 1	- 2,261.21
Water District No. 2	- 5,281.91

Resolution No. 220 – 15

Mr. Martin offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that with all business having been transacted, this meeting be adjourned. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Smith.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ferebee: Yes  
Mr. Martin: Yes  
Mr. Biesemeyer: Absent  
Mr. Buysse: Yes  
Mr. Smith: Yes

The meeting was adjourned at 5:55 PM.

Ellen S. Estes, Town Clerk  
December 31, 2015

William B. Ferebee, Supervisor  
Paul R. Martin, Councilman  
Robert M. Biesemeyer, Councilman  
Michael J. Buysse, Councilman  
Jerry D. Smith, Councilman

