

October 11, 2016

Minutes of the Town Board Meeting held Tuesday, October 11, 2016, at 7:00 PM, at the Keene Town Hall. The following Town Board Members were present: William B. Ferebee, Supervisor, Paul R. Martin, Robert M. Biesemeyer, Michael J. Buysse and Jerry D. Smith, Members of Council. Also present were: 2 residents, Deb Whitson, Town Attorney and Ellen Estes, Town Clerk.

The Chairman, Mr. Ferebee, called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM and invited everyone present to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Resolution No. 203 – 16

Mr. Smith offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board approve the Minutes of the Town Board Meeting held September 13th, the Notes from the Budget Workshop held September 20th, the Minutes of the Emergency Town Board Meeting held September 20th, the Minutes of the Special Town Board Meeting held September 22nd and the Minutes of the Bi-Monthly Town Board Meeting held September 27th, as presented. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Martin.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Mr. Ferebee offered Privilege of the Floor, there were no comments or questions.

Mr. Ferebee took this opportunity to thank Mike Hartson, who was present, for his service filling in as bus driver for the hiker and senior busses.

Mr. Ferebee explained to the Board an incident on Marcy Field which resulted in a small plane going into the woods.

He said the owner of the plane is still interested in securing hanger space for next season. He said that he has checked with the Town's insurance and there is no additional insurance or charges for the Town.

He said Mr. Rose is interested in using hanger space from May 15th to October 15th, a six-month period, for \$600.

The Board discussed moving around the equipment stored in the hanger, Mr. Ferebee said the Town shouldn't accrue cost in time or labor moving storage.

The Board discussed briefly trying this rental on a yearly basis.

Resolution No. 204 – 16

Mr. Buysse offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board authorize offering Bob Rose a 1 year agreement for hanger space for his plane for the flying season of 2017, at a cost of \$100 per month. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Martin.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Resolution No. 205 – 16

Mr. Martin offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board authorize renewing the Town's agreement for legal services with Debra Whitson for the period of August 1, 2016 through July 31, 2017. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Biesemeyer.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Mr. Ferebee said tonight is the night that the Town Board is required to file the 2017 Preliminary Budget with the Town Clerk.

He said there is still work to be done on this budget saying that the final figure still needs to be reduced, he said that he still does not have the figure for the NYS tax cap saying that the internet server was down part of last week.

There was a brief discussion in which the retirement figures were compared to last year's retirement figures.

Resolution No. 206 – 16

Mr. Buysse offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board file the 2017 Preliminary Budget with the Town Clerk. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Smith.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Mr. Ferebee shared with the Board an email he received from Wayne Hudson regarding the river near his house in which he was asking the Town what their decision in repairing the retaining wall was.

Mr. Ferebee reminded the Board that an earlier email was received regarding this retaining wall built during Bob Purdy's term. He said at that time, Mr. Hudson asked to have the wall removed and repaired or this issue could result in a suit against the Town. Mr. Ferebee said he feels this wall is privately owned.

He said he responded back to Mr. Hudson asking him to come to a Town Board Meeting so the Board can discuss the issue with him. He said he couldn't make it tonight and will come to a later meeting.

Mr. Biesemeyer suggested if this was a potential law suit it should be discussed in executive session.

Mr. Martin said he didn't think the Town built a wall, he thinks they dug out the river and piled the debris as a barrier. He said he would like to go to the site and look it over for clarification.

Mr. Ferebee shared an email he received from Dave at Trail's End Inn regarding the assessment process.

Resolution No. 207 – 16

Mr. Ferebee offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board enter into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Biesemeyer.

Roll Call Vote:

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

The Town Board and Deb Whitson entered Executive Session at 7:17 PM.

Resolution No. 208-16

Mr. Martin offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board reconvene into regular session. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Smith.

Roll Call Vote:

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

The Town Board reconvened into regular session at 7:40 PM.

Mr. Ferebee said that while in Executive Session he informed the Town Board that he will be resigning as Supervisor effective November 28th to accept State employment beginning November 30th.

He said a Special Town Board Meeting will need to be scheduled for November 21st at 6:00 PM at which time he will file an official resignation with the Town Clerk.

Mr. Ferebee said if the Deputy Supervisor should decide not to take the vacated position, the Town Board may appoint someone to fill the unexpired term until December 31, 2017.

Resolution No. 209 – 16

Mr. Biesemeyer offered and moved Resolution No. 209-16, a Resolution Transferring Funds. This resolution, in its entirety, is attached to and made a part of these minutes. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Smith.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Resolution No. 210 – 16

Mr. Smith offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board approve the following bills for payment. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Buysse:

Roll Call Vote:

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

Multi- Fund Vouchers numbered 619 to 646, totaling \$21,380.84, and one Capital Fund Voucher, #3, totaling \$4,427.18; these vouchers are as follows:

General Fund Vouchers	- \$ 7,724.52
Highway Fund Vouchers	- 13,013.71
Library Fund Vouchers	- 136.00
Water District #1 Vouchers	- 278.85
Water District #2 Vouchers	- 227.76
and	
CPF – High Peaks Byways (Holt House) – Voucher #3 of 2016	- \$4,427.18

Resolution No. 211 – 16

Mr. Smith 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. Biesemeyer.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Ferebee: Yes

Mr. Martin: Yes

Mr. Biesemeyer: Yes

Mr. Buysse: Yes

Mr. Smith: Yes

The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 PM.

Ellen S. Estes, Town Clerk
October 12, 2016

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