

September 13, 2016

Minutes of the Town Board Meeting held Tuesday, September 13, 2016, at 7:00 PM, at the Keene Town Hall. The following Town Board Members were present: Paul R. Martin, Robert M. Biesemeyer, Michael J. Buysse and Jerry D. Smith, Members of Council. Absent: William B. Ferebee, Supervisor. Also present were: 2 residents, Gary Manley, Highway Superintendent, Debra Whitson, Town Attorney and Ellen Estes, Town Clerk.

Mr. Martin, the Acting Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM and invited everyone present to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Privilege of the floor was offered, there were no questions or comments.

Resolution No. 170 – 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 Tuesday, August 9th and the Minutes of the Special Town Board Meeting held Thursday, August 25th, as presented. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Buysse.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Resolution No. 171 – 16

Mr. Biesemeyer offered a resolution and moved its adoption.

Be it resolved, that, on behalf of its citizens, the Keene Town Board, does hereby acknowledge the outstanding accomplishment of Douglas Downs, who in the course of six months, hiked the entire 2,180 miles of the famous Appalachian Trail from Georgia to Maine.

Over many years, Doug has contributed much to our community. Doug served on the Town Board for over 10 years, continues to be a member of the Keene Valley Fire Department, is a long term EMT, as well as an EMT instructor, was our scout master and introduced countless troubled young men to the wonders of the Adirondacks.

We applaud, yet another accomplishment of Douglas Downs.

This resolution was seconded by Mr. Buysse.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Resolution No. 172 – 16

Mr. Biesemeyer offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board show support for the 9th Annual Hill Climb Reunion, to be held on Saturday, September 17th, on Marcy Field. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Smith.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Resolution No. 173 – 16

Mr. Biesemeyer offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that permission be given for Hanne Wieschhoff to use Marcy Field on September 16, 2017, for a wedding. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Buysse.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Resolution No. 174 – 16

Mr. Buysse offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, at the request of Gary Manley, Resolution No. 157 – 16, a resolution appointing a Deputy Highway Superintendent be rescinded. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Smith.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Resolution No. 175 – 16

Mr. Biesemeyer offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board accept the Report of Water Rents collected in August. This report, has been attached to and made a part of these minutes. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Smith.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Mr. Martin reported that the donation in the amount of \$480, to buy materials for the maintenance of the Garden Parking Lot road, from the Hurricane Chapter of the Adirondack Mountain Club, has been received.

Resolution No. 176 – 16

Mr. Biesemeyer offered a resolution and moved its adoption.

Be it resolved, that the Town Board accept the resignation of Sheryl Quinn from her appointment on the Youth Commission Board, for her term to expire December 31, 2017.

Be it also resolved, that the Town Board appoint Sheryl Quinn to the Youth Commission Board as the School Board Liaison to fill the position currently being filled by Anne Whitney.

This resolution was seconded by Mr. Buysse.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Resolution No. 177 – 16

Mr. Buysse offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that at the request of the Youth Commission Board, Kate Whitney be appointed to the vacancy created by the previous resolution, term to expire December 31, 2017. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Biesemeyer.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Resolution No. 178 – 16

Mr. Biesemeyer offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board schedule a Special Town Board Meeting for Thursday, September 22nd at 10:00 AM to meet with Donna Bramer, Assessor and John Zakawski, Appraiser to discuss Assessments. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Smith.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Mr. Martin gave the Board a reminder that a Budget Workshop is scheduled for next Tuesday night at 6:00 PM.

Mr. Martin said the next business was in regards to acceptance of Mitch Estes's final report for the 2016 Youth Commission Program. He said it had been a good summer and that a number of letters to that effect had been received.

Resolution No. 179 – 16

Mr. Martin offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board accept the Final Report for the 2016 Youth Commission Program, as received from Mitch Estes. This report has been attached to and made a part of these minutes. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Buysse.

Roll Call Vote:

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

The next discussion was in regards to a boulder that will be placed at Marcy Field with a Dr. Goff plaque embedded. Mr. Martin said that he has talked to Matt Horner about having the plaque embedded so it cannot be removed, as another in a different spot was stolen.

Mr. Biesemeyer said when they are epoxied and screwed on they are very secure. The plan seems to be that Tom Both will work with Gary Manley to pick out a boulder which Gary will then move into place.

Resolution No. 180 – 16

Mr. Biesemeyer offered a resolution and moved its adoption. Be it resolved, that the Town Board accept the Supervisor's Monthly Financial Statement for July, as presented and have it placed on file with the Town Clerk. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Buysse.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Resolution No. 181 – 16

Mr. Biesemeyer offered a Resolution No. 181 – 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: Absent
Mr. Martin: Yes
Mr. Biesemeyer: Yes
Mr. Buysse: Yes
Mr. Smith: Yes

Resolution No. 182 – 16

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

Roll Call Vote:

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

Multi-Fund Vouchers numbered 518 to 576, totaling \$ 75,579.81, and one capital project voucher totaling \$62.64, as follows;

General Fund Bills	- \$ 46,950.80
Highway Fund Bills	- 21,151.47
Library Fund Bills	- 1,071.89
Water District No. 1 Bills	- 1,649.15
Water District No. 2 Bills	- 4,756.50

and
High Peaks Byway Project (Holt House) - Voucher #2 of 2016 - \$ 62.64

Mr. Buysse suggested that an empty sign frame be built at the entrance to Marcy Field, similar to the one at the Holt House, for upcoming events to advertise, thus avoiding the required dig safe requests.

Resolution No. 183 – 16

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 PM.

Ellen S. Estes, Town Clerk
September 15, 2016

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