



**TOWN OF HILLSDALE
BOARD MEETING
September 13, 2016**

A regular meeting of the Hillsdale Town Board was held on Tuesday, September 13, 2016 at the Town Hall at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:

PRESENT: Supervisor Peter Cipkowski
Councilperson Steven Tiger
Councilperson Robina Ward
Councilperson Carmen Barbato
Councilperson Jill Sims - Elster

OTHERS PRESENT: Kathi Doolan, Town Clerk; Dick Alford, Town Attorney; Hank Henward, Steve Smith, Rene Gibson, Laura Griffin, David Lewis, Augie Sena, Bud Atwood, Joanne Virella, Doug Sexton, Jeff Paige, Joe Hanselman Jr., and two members of the public.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Town Supervisor Peter Cipkowski.

Approve Minutes

On motion of Councilperson Robina Ward, seconded by Councilman Steve Tiger the following resolution was

Adopted Vote - Ayes- 5 Nays – 0

Resolved to approve the minutes of the Town Board meeting held on August 9, 2016.

Announcements/Correspondence

Supervisor Cipkowski began by thanking Laura Griffin, Rene Gibson, Lynne Chmurzynski and Bill Sullivan for their work in putting together a successful **ArtsWalk** and Joanne Virella, Meghan McCain, and their team for a successful **Grillsdale** event held the same evening.

Old Tone Music Festival was a success, drawing over 400 people.

Supervisor Cipkowski reported the **VFW** is asking that the town prohibit signs being placed in front of and around the monument.

The **Roe-Jan Food Pantry** in the Methodist Church has a new schedule, Fridays, 10:00 am – 12:00 noon.

Public Comments

Bud Atwood thanked the Zoning and Planning Boards for making the Old Tone Music Festival possible.

Fire District

Joe Hanselman, Jr., President of the Fire Company reported an excellent turn-out for the Fund-raising Fireman's Ball.

Kathi Doolan, Town Clerk, reported that the **Shredding** program would continue until September 23.

Economic Development Committee

Steve Tiger is sending a note to all Committee members to meet in their respective groups and then hold one meeting together. Dates and agenda to come.

Highway

Agreement with Harlem Valley Rail trail to be notarized and signed by Highway Superintendent Richard Briggs.

Infrastructure

Discussion regarding the DEC regulations and the Sewer system.

Comprehensive Plan

Supervisor Cipkowski reported the Hamlet Committee met and discussed the goal to resurface the basketball court and integrate the Hamlet Park within the town. The hope to work with a "professional" and ask questions to come up with a solid vision for the Town Park.

Historic Hillsdale

Cemetery project – working to identify all of the existing cemeteries in the town of Hillsdale. The goal is to identify which are in private lands and which are in churches and then pursue Grants for those that are lost and can be brought back.

Housing

Hank Henward reported the Housing Committee has applied for a grant to finance the updating of data for what the Town needs. Focus groups can provide feedback on which kind of housing Hillsdale should serve to support Economic Development.

New Business/Old Business

Supervisor Cipkowski proposed we resolve to appoint the committee for the Climate Change Task Force to serve through 2017. The committee shall hold its first meeting within 30 days of appointment, design and propose a multi-year plan for the Town, meet every four to six weeks, and provide the Town Board meeting notes within 10 days of each meeting.

Resolution - Appoint the following members to the Climate Change Task Force Committee to serve through 2017:

Tom Carty
Paul Duernberger
David Lewis
Dave Lewis
Alex Seirk
Hank Henward
Augie Sena
Robina Ward

On a motion by Councilperson Steve Tiger and seconded by Councilperson Jill Sims-Elster

Adopted Vote Ayes 5 Nays 0

Discussion regarding sign restrictions in Cullin Square. Supervisor Cipkowski drafted a proposed resolution which was tabled this evening based on further discussions with the businesses regarding regulations.

Resolution – Local Law #3 – to establish a moratorium on certain solar energy installations in the town of Hillsdale for a six-month time period.

On a motion by Councilperson Steve Tiger and seconded by Councilperson Robina Ward

Adopted Vote Ayes 5 Nays 0

Resolution – Columbia-Greene Humane Society payment schedule.

The town of Hillsdale establishes the following payment schedule for Town residents whose dogs have been sent to the CGHS: first 10 days/\$35 per day; beyond 10 days and additional \$300 fee total. Second offenders will be charged \$20 daily; third offenders will be charged \$30 daily.

On a motion by Councilperson Carmen Barbato and seconded by Supervisor Peter Cipkowski

Adopted Vote Ayes 5 Nays 0

Resolution – Key Bank – The town of Hillsdale revises the following designations:

Official Town Bank/Depositing: Key Bank

Town Justices Depository: Key Bank

Town Clerk Depository: Key Bank

On a motion by Councilperson Jill Sims-Elster and seconded by Carmen Barbato

Adopted Vote Ayes 5 Nays 0

Pay Bills

On a motion by Councilperson Carmen Barbato and seconded by Councilperson Steve Tiger to pay the bills as presented:

	Voucher #	
General Fund	924 – 961	\$ 23,190.95
Highway Fund	455 – 473	148,081.99

Parks & Recreation Fund	149 – 153	1,260.31
Sewer	122 – 126	2,695.31

Motion Vote Ayes 5 Nays 0

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathi Doolan
Town Clerk