

A **Regular Meeting** of the Town Board of the Town of Cortlandt was conducted on October 16, 2012 in the Vincent F. Nyberg Meeting Room of the Cortlandt Town Hall located at One Heady Street, Cortlandt Manor, NY (10567) with the following elected official and appointed staff in attendance:

LINDA D. PUGLISI	Supervisor
FRANCIS X. FARRELL	Councilmember
ANN LINDAU-MARTIN	Councilmember
RICHARD BECKER	Councilmember
JOHN E. SLOAN	Councilmember

Also present:

JO-ANN DYCKMAN	Town Clerk
EDWARD VERGANO	DOTS, Director
CLAUDIA VAHEY	Human Resources Coordinator
JUDITH HERMESCH	Clerk
ROSEMARY B. LASHER	DOTS/Asst. to Director
JEFFREY COLEMAN	Director, DES

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Supervisor Puglisi called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

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PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Supervisor Puglisi led all in attendance in a Pledge to the Flag.

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SUPERVISOR’S PROCLAMATIONS AND REPORTS

Supervisor Puglisi announced that the Veteran’s Ceremony will take place on November 12th at the Westbrook Drive Community Center and urged residents to attend and pay honor to all the Veterans.

The Hendrick Hudson Leos Club was presented to congratulate them on their five year anniversary. The **Supervisor** spoke of their many community contributions and introduced Debbie Costello who was joined by the Co-Presidents of the Club. She explained that the Leos are a Lion’s Club for young adults 12-18 years old and they participate in many community service projects. Their signature event is the **Stay-Awake-Athon** which has created a Leo Community Cancer Fund to help with medical bills.

One of the Co-Presidents of the Leos, Sam, spoke of the 4th annual **Stay-Awake-Athon** and one of its beneficiaries, "Happiness is Camping", a camp for children who are suffering from cancer, all of which is made possible by the Steuber Family. "Happiness is Camping" and the Hudson Valley Cancer Center shared in the \$60,000 raised by the Leos. A check was presented to Mr. Steuber of "Happiness is Camping" who thanked the club and how this year, thanks to the Leos, 15 children with cancer attended the camp for free and to have a chance to forget for awhile about their disease. He stated that the Hendrick Hudson Leos is a great organization and they are very grateful for their support.

Supervisor Puglisi stated that this is the 20th anniversary of the Town Hall, having moved into the building in early December of 1992. There will be an open house celebration on Sunday, December 2nd at 2:00 p.m. at Town Hall. All departments will be open and refreshments will be served.

The Town’s Annual Golf Outing is Monday, Oct.22nd at the Hollowbrook Golf Club. Ken Sherman, Recreation Supervisor, is the contact person if anyone would like to participate. All proceeds go the First Responder groups.

SUPERVISOR’S REPORTS, (cont.)

Next fall the Town of Cortlandt will be holding a 5K race coordinated by the Recreation Department. All age groups are invited and it will end at the Cortlandt Waterfront Park where there will be a barbeque for the participants.

Rob Astorino, Westchester County Executive, will be holding his next Town Hall meeting here at the Cortlandt Town Hall, October 24th, at 7:00 p.m. It is an opportunity to hear what is happening at the County and ask questions. **Supervisor Puglisi** urged residents to attend.

The Town of Cortlandt is hosting the annual Hobgoblin Parade at the Cortlandt Town Center at 12 noon on October 27th and the annual Holiday Party at the Westbrook Drive Community center on Halloween night at 6:00 p.m. All events can be found on the Town of Cortlandt website and facebook.

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ROLL CALL

On a roll call attendance taken by Town Clerk Dyckman all Town Board members indicated their presence.

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TOWN BOARD REPORTS

Councilmember Farrell: Discussed the idea for a rowing program at the Cortlandt Waterfront Park in Verplanck. **Councilmember Farrell** announced that a facebook page had been set up to promote it called “Cortlandt Rowing” and one can see what other organizations in the Hudson River Valley are doing with rowing and crew programs in the colleges and high schools. There is also a brief video where **Councilmember Farrell** describes a concept and tries to solicit anyone who might be interested and would like to organize an amateur rowing club with a view to in the future creating a program which could be part of the high school sports curriculum if the high schools agree. Scholarship money could be available for those athletes involved with crew. **Councilmember Farrell** stated that he contacted a woman who was involved in crew and she had gotten a two year scholarship to college through crew and she was very supportive of the program. He urged residents to go to facebook and learn more about crewing and spread the word.

Councilmember Farrell also commented that he has had the opportunity to observe the **Supervisor** throughout the years and the many difficult decisions she has had to make over the years, joking that tonight she will have to decide between watching the Yankees or the Presidential Debate!

Councilmember Lindau-Martin: The Croton Rotary had their Car Show and the Supervisor’s Cup went to an old MG. **Councilmember Lindau-Martin** also commented that she often see Pete Bell, a Town employee, walking at the Croton Landing. She then reminded residents that donations are being collected at the Town Hall for The Support Connection and to please send a check to Claudia Vahey, Human Resources.

Councilmember Becker: no report

Councilmember Sloan: no report but stated his support for Councilmember Farrell’s crewing program to be established in the Town of Cortlandt.

Supervisor Puglisi added that **Councilmember Becker** and his colleagues in his cardiology group are being honored at the Hudson Valley Hospital Ball and congratulated him.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Councilmember Sloan moved that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 18, 2012 be approved as presented by Town Clerk Dyckman. Councilmember Becker seconded the motion.

All voted **AYE**

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PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

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HEARING OF CITIZENS, (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

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BID REPORTS

The following Bid Report was removed:

- 1. Receive and File bids opened on October 12, 2012 with respect to the Continental Village waterline replacement; and Award a Contract with respect to same.

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REPORTS

Councilmember Becker moved that the following reports be received and ordered filed. Councilmember Lindau- Martin seconded the motion.

For the month of September from the Purchasing Department, Office for the Aging, the Receiver of Taxes and the Town Clerk.

OLD BUSINESS

Receive and File the Following:

- 1. Letter from the Westchester County Legislator Catherine Borgia to the New York State DOT in support of installing a barrier along the Bear Mt. Parkway.

NEW BUSINESS

NONE

All voted **AYE**

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RESOLUTIONS

(All resolutions adopted at this meeting are to be found attached to the end of the original document.)

Councilmember Lindau- Martin moved that the following resolutions be adopted, seconded by Councilmember Farrell:

RESOLUTION NO.185-12 RE: Appoint a student member to the PRC Board.

RESOLUTIONS, (cont.)

RESOLUTION NO.186-12 RE: Receive and File a Grant Award; and authorize a salary amendment with respect to the Cortlandt Community Coalition effective January 2013.

The following was removed:

Authorize the installation of an additional water meter and policy with respect to same.

RESOLUTION NO.187-12 RE: Authorize a contract renewal with respect to webcasting services.

RESOLUTION NO.188-12 RE: Authorize the Assessor to seek RFP's with respect to scanning services for property cards.

RESOLUTION NO.189-12 RE: Authorize the Recreation Department to coordinate a Town of Cortlandt 5K Race for October 2013.

RESOLUTION NO.190-12 RE: Authorize DOTS to award a contract with respect to a mixer upgrade for the Cortlandt Ridge Pump Station.

RESOLUTION NO.191-12 RE: Authorize DOTS to seek survey services for topographical maps for the following locations; Washington Acres, Rancho Drive and Baron DeHirsh Road for drainage purposes.

RESOLUTION NO.192-12 RE: Authorize DOTS to release maintenance security in the amount of \$5,000 with respect to a subdivision located on Maple Avenue.

All Voted **AYE**

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ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Councilmember Farrell moved that the following resolution be adopted.
Councilmember Sloan seconded the motion.

RESOLUTION NO.193 -12 RE: Appoint Patricia E. Duffy as a Nor-West Program Supervisor.

RESOLUTION NO.194 -12 RE: Appoint Sam Cooperman as a part-time employee at the Youth Center.

RESOLUTION NO.195 -12 RE: Authorize a Leave of Absence under FMAL for a DES employee.

RESOLUTION NO.196 -12 RE: Authorize an Agreement with the Montrose Water Improvement District with respect to 35 Sherwood Road.

RESOLUTION NO.197 -12 RE: Authorize a one-time leak adjustment with respect to 35 Sherwood Road.

RESOLUTION NO.198 -12 RE: Authorize the re-calculation of certain water meters located within the Cortlandt Consolidated Water District.

ADDITIONS to the AGENDA, (cont.)

RESOLUTION NO.199 -12 RE: Authorize DES to install temporary access to the Furnace Brook Pond and share the cost of a dredging operation.

RESOLUTION NO.199 -12 RE: Authorize a payment to the Friends of Old St. Peter's Church for historical purposes.

Discussion: Supervisor Puglisi stated that in the Nor West program, the Town is partners with three other municipalities and that it is a wonderful organization to help individuals with challenges. It is located by the Cortlandt Town pool and is directed by Christopher Morabito. The **Supervisor** commented that Christopher Morabito does a fine job and that they are proud to be a partner in this organization.

The old St. Peter's Church is very historical, over 250 years old, and the **Supervisor** stated that they are very proud to participate in their upcoming historical event coming up next year.

All Voted **AYE**

BUDGET TRANSFERS

None

REPORTS FROM VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS

REPORTS FROM STANDING & SPECIAL COMMITTEES

SECOND HEARING OF CITIZENS

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m. on motion of Councilmember Becker and Councilmember Lindau-Martin.

All voted **AYE**

Respectfully submitted,

**JO-ANN DYCKMAN,
Town Clerk**