



TOWN BOARD WORKSHOP

AGENDA

March 3, 2020

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

PUBLIC COMMENT

DEBRIEFS & UPDATES

1. **Feedback from Hamlet rezoning meetings** and next steps (Councilman Geuss).
2. **Report on Highway Department** activities and plans for 2020 by season (Councilmen Geuss and Farrell).
3. **Feedback on Sojourner Truth Walk** and planning for next year (Supervisor and Councilwoman Clarke).
4. **Debrief on AOT training** and meeting resolutions (Councilwoman Quick).
5. **Breakout into working groups** for critical projects: A) Coronavirus debriefing and planning, B) Spectrum contract renewal negotiations, C) Employee handbook policy update, D) Plan to fix assessment equalization.
6. Announcing **new "Community Clean Up" campaign** with grace period from April 1–April 30, 2020.
7. **Public referendum** regarding Port Ewen Fire Department (Supervisor and Councilman Geuss).
8. **DOT Letter** in response to Town Board questions and request for a traffic study on Route 9W between Main Street and Black Creek Road.
9. **Historical American Legion documents** to be put on display in the Town Hall Community Room.
10. **UCIDA Letter** requesting feedback on its Uniform Tax Exemption Policy and announcing a public hearing.

KEY DATES / EVENTS

1. **Sun, 3/1:** Taxable status and tax exemption filing deadline with the Esopus Assessor's office.
2. **Mon, 3/2:** Park pavilion rentals open for residents.
3. **Mon, 3/9:** Public hearing for UCIDA Uniform Tax Exemption Policy at 7 PM in Kingston City Hall.
3. **Mon, 3/16:** Port Ewen Fire Department public information meeting, 1 PM at Esopus Town Hall (before the Esopus senior's group).
4. **Thu, 3/26:** Esopus Community Emergency Response Team (ECERT) Meeting at 3 PM at Esopus Town Hall.
5. **Mon, 3/30:** Port Ewen Fire Department public meeting, 7 PM at PEFD Headquarters (old Moose Lodge)
6. **Wed, 4/1:** Park pavilion rentals open for non-residents and monthly / seasonal kayak storage rentals open for all.
7. **Thu, 4/2:** Esopus Passport Night from 5:30 – 7:30 PM in Town Hall. NOTE: Passport applications can be picked up at the Clerk's Office or downloaded from Esopus.com.
8. **Sat, 4/11:** Esopus Children's Egg Hunt starting at 12:30 PM at Freer Beach Memorial Park. Gather up all the kids and get ready to hunt for prizes!
9. **Sat, 4/18:** Port Ewen Fire Department public meeting, 11 AM at PEFD Headquarters.
10. **Tue, 4/21:** Port Ewen Fire Department public referendum vote, 6-9 PM at PEFD Headquarters.

ACTION ITEMS

1. **Appointments** – proposed members Gloria Van Vliet and Elizabeth Ten Dyke for Zoning Board of Appeals (exp. 12/31/22 Kubista plus up to two alternates), proposed member Vincent Coq for Waterfront Advisory Board (12/31/21 Cahill), and proposed alternate Fred Zimmer for Planning Board (one of two alternates)
2. **DA delegations** – Motion to support Supervisor sending letter to Ulster County District Attorney requesting that the role and function of prosecutor by the DA be delegated as follows with respect to the following matters, if pending in the Justice Court of the Town of Esopus:
 - A. Special prosecutor **Matthew Jankowski**, or such designated attorney by the Town of Esopus, for prosecution of violations of Vehicle and Traffic Law issued by the New York State Police, Office of the Ulster County Sheriff, including violations issued by the NYS Park Police and Department of Environmental Conservation.
 - B. The Law firm of **McCabe Coleman, Ventosa and Patterson** for the prosecution of violations of Esopus Town Code, including Ordinances and Building Code violations, or such other authorized law firm or authorized persons, including the Building Code Enforcer or Highway Superintendent, as designated by the Esopus Town Board.
3. **Resolution to Governor** – Discuss background material and motion to adopt resolution opposing the merger of the New York State Bridge Authority into the New York State Thruway Authority.
4. **Housekeeping** – Motion to accept renaming road request from ‘Winding Brook Acres Road’ to ‘Scenic Hudson Way’.
5. **Contractual** – Motion to allow the Supervisor to sign a contract addendum with Laberge to accommodate for the increase in work scope related to updating the schedule of uses.
6. **Sleightsburgh Park** – Review park hours of operation and motion to post new signage.
7. **Potential Executive Session** – To discuss employee history regarding personnel matter and discussion of possible litigation matter.

ADJOURNMENT