

Minutes
February 8, 2018
WORKSHOP-COMPREHENSIVE PLAN-ZONING 6PM
TOWN BOARD MEETING 6:30pm

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE TO FLAG
2. ROLL CALL

	PRESENT	ABSENT	LATE
Supervisor John C. Reilly	√		
Councilmember Donald Coons	√		
Councilmember Jeffery Galm	√		
Councilmember Eric Mortenson	√		
Councilmember John Fraser Paterson	√		

MONTHLY THOUGHT:

Plans are nothing; planning is everything.

-Dwight D. Eisenhower

Informal discussion with Town Attorney on revision process on Comprehensive Plan/Zoning Law.

Key points discussed:

- The board discussed what the vision for Gallatin is today and in the future. Rural, Alternative Farming, Home Occupation, Artisans.
- Creative zoning to accommodate the aging population.
- Incentive Zoning to relax zoning regulations for public benefit.
- Make the Town welcoming for home occupations.
- The FCID process can be updated for different levels of impact.
- Any amendments to the zoning law must be reflected in the Comprehensive Plan.
- Most of the revisions can be done “in house” by the Town and Planning Boards, with the help of the Town attorney. A planner/consultant can be consulted on an hourly basis.

Next steps:

Develop a budget for a consultant.

NEW BUSINESS SECTION 2018

1. Public Hearing for Cold War veterans Exemption
Motion to open public hearing on Local Law 1-2018 Extension of the Cold War Veterans Exemption
CM Mortenson Second CM Galm
Vote 5 Yes 0 No

No Public Comment

Motion to close Public Hearing
CM Mortenson second CM Galm
Vote 5 Yes 0 No

Resolution 2018-4 Town Board approves extension of the Cold War Veterans Exemption.

Motion CM Galm Second CM Mortenson
Vote 5 Yes 0 No

2. Discussion on Bridge NY Culvert Grant program
Town Clerk DeLeeuw will work with Highway Sup't Gomm and the Town Engineer on the grant application for repair/replacement of the Camp Road Culvert.

3. Discussion on Speed Limit Reduction on Route 82
On the request of a town resident there will be a request for a speed limit reduction on State Rte. 82 between Decker Rd. and Old Route 82

Resolution 2018-5 The Town Board Resolves to submit a Speed limit reduction request to NYSDOT on State Route 82 between Decker Rd. and Old Route 82.

Motion CM Coons Second CM Mortenson.
Vote 5 Yes 0 No

4. Discussion on Unsafe Building process- Yard maintenance violation.
The Chapin property on Beaver Rd is still in violation of the Unsafe Buildings/Property Maintenance local law. Code Enforcement Officer Exline will send a letter of violation to the owner and condemn the building.
The board discussed next steps on moving the debris to another part of the property out of sight, the owner's belongings cannot be removed.

Ongoing discussion at the March Meeting.

5. Broadband Update - Phase 3 mapping. Supervisor Reilly will speak at a Broadband meeting in Copake February 24.
6. Financial Overview - Cash position ending 2017 (Attached)
Resolution 2018-6 the Town Board Resolves to add \$50,000 to Building Reserve and \$30,000 to Highway Equipment Reserve.
Motion CM Mortenson second CM Galm.
Vote 5 Yes 0 No.
7. Shared Services Report.
Discussion of offering to share Gallatin Court facility with the Town of Taghkanic.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NEW BUSINESS

MONTHLY BUSINESS SECTION

1. Review of December Minutes for Errors/Clarifications **Resolution 2018-7: Accept January 2018 minutes for filing and posting.**
Motion CM Mortenson second CM Galm.
Vote 5 Yes 0 No.
2. Bill Review of Non-Reoccurring items- August 2016 **Resolution 2018-8: Approve January 2018 bills for payment.**
Motion CM Mortenson second CM Galm.
Vote 5 Yes 0 No.
3. Highway Superintendent Comments/Report: Read and Filed.
4. Comments of Code Enforcement Officer: Read and Filed.
5. Clerk Report: Read and Filed.
6. Assessor Comment's :Ongoing work on Revaluation.
7. Historian Comments
8. Supervisors report- update on Resident Correspondence.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON MONTHLY BUSINESS

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT