

Minutes Aug 10, 2017
TOWN BOARD MEETING 6:30 pm

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

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

1. State Revaluation of Gallatin Assessment: Update to Public/Board
 The data collection should be complete by the end of August. Data mailers will be sent to all property owners to verify inventory on file. Representatives from Columbia County Real Property and New York State Taxation and Finance will be at the September meeting to update the board and public on the revelation process.
2. Update to the Board/Public Public Hearing on Solar Farm Moratorium moved until September.
 The Moratorium could either be extended, ended or zoning concerning Commercial Solar Farms could be addressed as an adjustment of the FCID process in the review of zoning.
3. At September Meeting there will be a “Broadband in Gallatin” presentation by Jason Shelton from G-tel.
4. Family Leave Act Opt In /Opt Out- Discussion. A municipality is automatically opted out of participation in the New York Family Leave Act, discussion with no resolution if the town should opt in.

Tabled-RESOLUTION 2017-40: The Gallatin Town Board resolves to OPT in to the Municipal optional Family Leave Act Insurance and Payroll deduction program.

5. Update on July Insurance request presentation- Auto accident
 Mr. Degenhardt will be informed on the Board’s decision declining his request for reimbursement for damages to his automobile due to the evidence presented and the

Columbia County Sheriff's accident report.

Motion CM Paterson second CM Mortenson
Vote Yes 3 No 0 Absent 2

6. Set FDIC Zoning Code review schedule.
Discussion on different types of land use. Different process for low impact vs high impact FCID.
7. Veterans Property Tax exemption limits resolution and public hearing.

Resolution 2017-41: The Gallatin Town Board resolves to increase the limits for Alternative Veterans' Exemptions and add the Gold Star Parent clause pursuant to the New York State Real Property Tax Law Section 458-a.

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Exemption Levels</u>
Wartime	\$36,000
Combat Zone	\$24,000
Disability	50% of the Veterans disability not to exceed \$120,000

Motion CM Mortenson second CM Paterson
Vote Yes 3 No 0 Absent 2

8. Assessors Computer replacement
Resolution 2017-41: The Town Board resolves to purchase a new laptop and Office 365 for the Assessor and Town Hall computers.
Motion CM Paterson second CM Mortenson
Vote Yes 3 No 0 Absent 2

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NEW BUSINESS

MONTHLY BUSINESS SECTION

1. Review of July Minutes for Errors/Clarifications **Resolution 2017-42: Accept July minutes for filing and posting.**
Motion CM Paterson second CM Mortenson
Vote Yes 3 No 0 Absent 2
2. Bill Review of Non-Reoccurring items- July 2017 **Resolution 2017-43: Approve July 2017 bills for payment.**
Motion CM Paterson second CM Mortenson
Vote Yes 3 No 0 Absent 2
3. Supervisors Review of County Items: County Budget, Broadband Initiative, Trail System.

4. Clerk Report: Read and Filed
5. Comments of Code Enforcement Officer: Read and Filed
6. Highway Superintendent Comments/Report: Read and Filed. Discussion of logging on properties on private roads. There is no process for enforcement of road damage due to logging on private roads, it is the responsibility of the land owner.
7. Assessor Comment's Data Collection and Revaluation review.
8. Court Actions/Comments
9. Historian Comments

PUBLIC COMMENT ON MONTHLY BUSINESS

OLD BUSINESS DISCUSSION

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT

Motion CM Paterson second CM Mortenson

Vote Yes 3 No 0 Absent 2

