

**Minutes**  
**August 17, 2021, MEETING 6:30pm**  
**TOWN BOARD IN PERSON MEETING - DIGITAL LISTEN**

1. CALL TO ORDER/ PLEDGE TO FLAG- Stated by each Town Board Member
2. ROLL CALL

	PRESENT	ABSENT	ZOOM
Supervisor John C. Reilly	x		
Council-member Nichole Martini	x		
Council-member Pat Odell	x		
Council-member Michael Moran		x	
Council-member John Fraser Paterson	x		

**MONTHLY THOUGHTS:**

It was August and the fields were high with corn. In the orchard the last of the peaches clung to their branches and the apples were showing their first pinkish blush. The vegetable garden overflowed with produce: peppers, green beans, zucchini, tomatoes, cucumbers, and squash.”

Melanie Gideon.

The most practical kind of politics is the politics of decency.

Theodore Roosevelt

“New beginnings are often disguised as painful endings.”

– Lao Tzu

**NEW BUSINESS SECTION 2021**

3. **VARIANT Proposals:**
  - 2022 Zoom style Tech- until then we will endeavor to better set up listen only. For 2022 the board will look into an OWL microphone and set up for interactive meetings.
  - Going hybrid if state rules change

- Town picnic plans- Postponed to 2022
4. **Pandemic Funds:**
    - We activated a SAM account and are approved for funding of 170,000 half in July 2021 and half in July 2022- The Town is waiting on final clear guidelines on how the money can be used.
  5. **Comprehensive Plan Committee:**
    - October 2 outdoor plan for workshop at the Pavilion at the Taghkanic State Park.
  6. **Town Community Room/Town Hall updates-** vision board done and posted on the website- the board is working on budget – RFP timing, bonding currently 1.5% for ten years.
  7. **CAC - Signage** - Deadlines on grants – The deadline for the grant funds for the signage is December 1. Discussion on the placement, materials, and content.
  8. **Retirement System** entry into the system update. The paperwork has been submitted to the NYS Retirement system for the cost of entry.

#### **MONTHLY BUSINESS SECTION**

1. Review of Board and Committee Minutes for Errors/Clarifications Resolution 2021-39  
Approve July 2021 Meeting Minutes and posting of any completed Committee minutes.  
Motion Odell second Paterson  
Vote 4 Yes 0 No 1 absent
2. Bill Review of Non-Recurring items- Resolution 2021-40 to approve July 2021 bills  
(done by digital abstract review) for payment.  
Motion Martini Second Odell  
Vote 4 Yes 0 No 1 absent
3. Financial Statement Monthly Review- Resolution 2021-41 to approve July 2021  
Financial Reports (done by digital review)  
Motion Martini Second Odell  
Vote 4 Yes 0 No 1 absent
4. Highway Superintendent Comments/Report-read and filed
5. Comments of Code Enforcement Officer Read and Filed
6. Clerk Reports-Read and Filed
7. Assessor Comments-Read

#### **REVIEW OF PUBLIC COMMENT ON OLD BUSINESS**

#### **MEETING ADJOURNED BY RESOLUTION OF THE GALLATIN TOWN BOARD**

Motion Martini Second Odell Vote 4 Yes 0 No 1 absent