

DATE: DECEMBER 12, 2019

KIND OF MEETING: TOWN BOARD

WHERE HELD: SCHODACK TOWN HALL

CLERK: DEBRA L. CURTIS

PRESIDING OFFICER: DAVID B. HARRIS

MEMBERS PRESENT: JAMES E. BULT
MICHAEL KENNEY
SCOTT SWARTZ
TRACEY REX

MEMBERS ABSENT:

ATTORNEY: CHRISTOPHER LANGLOIS, ESQ.

COMPTROLLER: PAUL HARTER

OTHERS PRESENT: DAWNE KELLY, ASSISTANT TO THE SUPERVISOR

Supervisor Harris called the December 12, 2019 Town Board Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and dispensed with roll call. All present as noted above.

Briefing of the Agenda

The Supervisor gave a brief review of the resolutions. He announced resolution 2019-330 would be discussed later on in the meeting. All other resolutions were self-explanatory.

Board Comment

C. Bult asked for clarification regarding the address of the clean fill site for resolution 2019-323. S. Harris said the site would be located on Route 9, south of Pilot, on Route 9. C. Swartz added that it was before the thruway on the old Nicholson Farm.

Public Comment – Resolutions

Resolution 2019-325: M. Sherwood inquired if bids were obtained for the town's insurance as it was a large nominal amount. The Town Clerk said no bidding had been conducted and added that NYMIR had been the insurance provider for the town for many years. She noted that the premium for 2020 included a 7.5% increase due to a few incidents over the past year; however, with premiums from the past few years remaining constant, it was expected. C. Bult added that NYMIR is a consortium which he believed returned a portion of the premiums to the town. The Town Clerk said C. Bult was correct.

Resolution 2019-326: M. Sherwood asked if there was a contract with Schodack Central School District to cover the cost of Sewer District 1, Extension 1. S. Harris said yes and explained that an electrical issue had been encountered, causing the increased cost.

Resolution 2019-329: M. Sherwood asked if the town also had a contract with the firm

listed. S. Harris said yes, as they represent the town for water and sewer matters. Atty. Langlois noted that an initial proposal is given based on the estimation of the work being done on an hourly basis. It was not uncommon for this amount to be adjusted due to an increase in cost. He added that there were some instances where the estimate was larger than the actual amount.

Departmental Reports: The following monthly departmental reports were read and/or posted and filed in the Office of the Town Clerk: Building Department, Historian, Tax Receiver and Town Clerk.

Review of Abstracts of Claims and Budget Amendments: The Board reviewed claims #19-1880 to 19-2038 on Abstract No. 2019-12, in the amount of \$296,378.96, including the claims paid (\$111,927.52) since the previous town board meeting.

Adoption of Resolutions

EXPLANATION: Bracketed and strikethrough indicates language that was stricken from the resolution when adopted. Underlined indicates language that was added to the resolution when adopted. A **WITHDRAWN** resolution is so noted and italicized.

C. Bult made a motion to adopt the following resolution, seconded by C. Kenney:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF SCHODACK DOES HEREBY:**

2019-318) Ratify and affirm Authorizing Kerrie D. Joiner, Human Resource Manager to post internally the full-time position of Operator 2 at the Highway Department and authorize advertising in the official Town newspaper as necessary.

5 Ayes 0 Noes. **MOTION CARRIED.** Ayes – J. Bult, M. Kenney, S. Swartz, T. Rex, D. Harris. Noes – 0.

C. Swartz made a motion to adopt the following resolution, seconded by C. Rex:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF SCHODACK DOES HEREBY:**

2019-319) Ratify the Memorandum of Agreement by and between the Town of Schodack and CSEA, Inc., Local 1000 AFSCME, AFL-CIO (Town of Schodack Unit) executed by Supervisor Harris on October 22, 2019 and further authorize Supervisor Harris to execute and administer, on behalf of the Town, a collective bargaining agreement incorporating the terms of said Memorandum of Agreement in a form acceptable to counsel for the Town.

5 Ayes 0 Noes. **MOTION CARRIED.** Ayes – J. Bult, M. Kenney, S. Swartz, T. Rex, D. Harris. Noes – 0.

S. Harris made a motion to adopt the following resolution, seconded by C. Bult:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF SCHODACK DOES HEREBY:**

2019-320) Ratify and affirm authorizing purchase of 3 year WatchGuard Technologies Watch Guard Security Suite Firewall subscription for Police Department computers at a cost not to exceed \$1,721.15.

5 Ayes 0 Noes. **MOTION CARRIED.** Ayes – J. Bult, M. Kenney, S. Swartz, T. Rex, D. Harris. Noes – 0.

C. Swartz made a motion to adopt the following resolution, seconded by C. Rex:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF SCHODACK DOES HEREBY:**

2019-321) Amend resolution 2019-297 as adopted November 14, 2019 as follows: WHEREAS, the Town Board met on Tuesday, October 29, 2019 at the Schodack Town Hall, as specified in the Notice of Public Hearing for the 2020 Preliminary Budget, with said notice appearing in the October 23, 2019 edition of The Record, and was posted on October 23, 2019, and

WHEREAS, said public hearing was held on October 29, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. at the Schodack Town Hall and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of, or in opposition to, said Preliminary Budget or any part thereof,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the ~~2019~~ **2020** Preliminary Budget, and as hereinafter set forth, is hereby adopted.

5 Ayes 0 Noes. **MOTION CARRIED.** Ayes – J. Bult, M. Kenney, S. Swartz, T. Rex, D. Harris. Noes – 0.

C. Kenney made a motion to adopt the following resolution, seconded by C. Swartz:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF SCHODACK DOES HEREBY:**

2019-322) Amend resolution 2019-214 as adopted on July 11, 2019 as follows: Authorize Paul W. Peter, Justice to attend New York State Magistrates Association Fall Conference September 14th through 18th at Lake Placid, New York with registration fee of \$75.00, lodging (meals included) not to exceed ~~\$707.25~~ **\$866.25** and travel costs (mileage) not to exceed \$170.52 for a total estimate not to exceed \$952.77. [A1110.4 This is a budgeted item].

5 Ayes 0 Noes. **MOTION CARRIED.** Ayes – J. Bult, M. Kenney, S. Swartz, T. Rex, D. Harris. Noes – 0.

C. Rex made a motion to adopt the following resolution, seconded by S. Harris:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF SCHODACK DOES HEREBY:**

- 2019-323)** Authorize Town Clerk to publish a legal notice for a public hearing to seek public comment on application submitted by Season's East Landscaping LLC to operate a clean landfill disposal at Route 9 pursuant to §137 of Town Code of the Town of Schodack, the Town Board shall hold said public hearing on January 9, 2020 at 7:10 p.m. at the Town Hall, 265 Schuurman Road.
5 Ayes 0 Noes. **MOTION CARRIED.** Ayes – J. Bult, M. Kenney, S. Swartz, T. Rex, D. Harris. Noes – 0.

C. Bult made a motion to adopt the following resolution, seconded by C. Kenney:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF SCHODACK DOES HEREBY:**

- 2019-324)** Full-time employees (non-union) shall be given the following holiday for the year 2020:

| <u>Weekday</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Holiday</u> |
|----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Wednesday | January 1, 2020 | New Year's Day |

Designate a Transfer Station holiday for year 2020 as follows:

| <u>Weekday</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Holiday</u> |
|----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Wednesday | January 1, 2020 | New Year's Day |

5 Ayes 0 Noes. **MOTION CARRIED.** Ayes – J. Bult, M. Kenney, S. Swartz, T. Rex, D. Harris. Noes – 0.

S. Harris made a motion to adopt the following resolution, seconded by C. Swartz:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF SCHODACK DOES HEREBY:**

- 2019-325)** Authorize renewal of the Town's liability insurance policy with NYMIR, including property, general liability, auto, inland marine, boiler & machinery, law enforcement and public officials effective January 1, 2020 with a Six Million Dollar Umbrella, single occurrence with a Twelve Million Dollar aggregate for the premium not to exceed \$143,387.93.
5 Ayes 0 Noes. **MOTION CARRIED.** Ayes – J. Bult, M. Kenney, S. Swartz, T. Rex, D. Harris. Noes – 0.

C. Swartz made a motion to adopt the following resolution, seconded by C. Bult:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF SCHODACK DOES HEREBY:**

- 2019-326)** Authorize Supervisor Harris to execute and administer Addendum Number 2016104-01 for professional services from the Laberge Group to assist the

Town of Schodack Sewer District 1- Extension 1 (Schodack Central Schools), representing an addition amount not to exceed \$5,105.95.

5 Ayes 0 Noes. **MOTION CARRIED.** Ayes – J. Bult, M. Kenney, S. Swartz, T. Rex, D. Harris. Noes – 0.

S. Harris made a motion to adopt the following resolution, seconded by C. Swartz:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF SCHODACK DOES HEREBY:

2019-327) Authorize Joseph Tremblay, Building Inspector and Nadine Fuda, Director of Planning and Zoning to attend Northern Adirondack Code Officials Conference March 1 through March 5, 2020 in Lake Placid, New York at estimated cost for the Conference and Seminar of \$300.00, and estimated cost for mileage \$170.52, and estimated cost for lodging of \$432.00 and estimated cost for meals \$100.00 for a total estimated cost of \$2,005.04. [This is a budgeted item.]

5 Ayes 0 Noes. **MOTION CARRIED.** Ayes – J. Bult, M. Kenney, S. Swartz, T. Rex, D. Harris. Noes – 0.

C. Bult made a motion to adopt the following resolution, seconded by C. Kenney:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF SCHODACK DOES HEREBY:

2019-328) Authorize the appropriation of the Federal Forfeiture Reserve Fund in a total amount not to exceed \$8,114.60 for the purchase of 15 Bullet Proof Vests; (the total cost of the vests is \$14,622.60 with \$6,508.11 funded by the US. Department of Justice Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant).

5 Ayes 0 Noes. **MOTION CARRIED.** Ayes – J. Bult, M. Kenney, S. Swartz, T. Rex, D. Harris. Noes – 0.

S. Harris made a motion to adopt the following resolution, seconded by C. Bult:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF SCHODACK DOES HEREBY:

2019-329) Amend resolution 2019-048 as adopted January 10, 2019 to increase not to exceed amount by \$5,000.00 as follows: Pursuant to professional services agreement dated January 4, 2019, appoint Tabner, Ryan and Keniry, LLP as Special District Counsel and based on per hour fee schedule as follows: Partners \$270.00, Associates \$170.00 and Paralegals \$95.00. This authorization shall not exceed ~~\$7,500.00~~ \$12,500.00 without further board approval.

5 Ayes 0 Noes. **MOTION CARRIED.** Ayes – J. Bult, M. Kenney, S. Swartz, T. Rex, D. Harris. Noes – 0.

2019-330) Adopted out of sequence.

S. Harris made a motion to adopt the following resolution, seconded by C. Rex:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF SCHODACK DOES HEREBY:**

- 2019-331)** Authorize the Comptroller's recommendation to direct the Town Supervisor to pay the claims #19-1880 to 19-2038 on Abstract No. 2019-12, in the amount of \$296,378.96, including the claims paid (\$111,927.52) since the previous town board meeting.

5 Ayes 0 Noes. **MOTION CARRIED.** Ayes – J. Bult, M. Kenney, S. Swartz, T. Rex, D. Harris. Noes – 0.

C. Swartz made a motion to adopt the following resolution, seconded by C. Bult:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF SCHODACK DOES HEREBY:**

- 2019-332)** Authorize the November 2019 budget modifications, interfund loans and interfund transfers as provided in document dated December 2019 and recommended by the Comptroller.

**BUDGET MODIFICATIONS
November 2019**

BUDGET MODIFICATIONS

| Fund/ | | | |
|--------------|--|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| | Department # | Fund / Department Name | |
| | | | Increase Decrease |
| 2019 | | | |
| 91 | A-960-1620.1000 | Building - Personal Services | 121.86 |
| | A-960-1620.4000 | Building - Contractual | 121.86 |
| | To modify the budget for Park Manager time clearing Town Hall of snow | | |
| 92 | A-960-3120.1012 | Police Grant - PTS | 1.30 |
| | A-509-4320.9999 | Federal Aid Public Safety | 1.30 |
| | To modify the budget for PTS grant award adjustment for excess received. | | |
| 93 | A-960-3120.1900 | Police - Part Time Personal Services | 2,471.80 |
| | A-960-3120.1100 | Police - Overtime | 2,471.80 |
| | To modify the budget to cover higher use of Part-time Police Officers | | |
| 94 | A-960-3410.1000 | Fire Protection - Personal Services | 667.38 |

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| | A-960-3410.1100 | Fire Protection - Overtime | 2,910.94 | |
| | A-960-1990.4000 | Contingency - Contractual | | 3,578.32 |
| | To modify the budget for additional training during the year | | | |
| 95 | A-960-7110.1000 | Parks - Personal Service | 1,138.28 | |
| | A-960-1990.4000 | Contingency - Contractual | | 1,138.28 |
| | To modify the budget to cover Park Manager excess hours | | | |
| 96 | A-960-7310.4000 | Youth Recreation - Contractual | 20.35 | |
| | A-960-7310.1000 | Youth Recreation - Personal Services | | 20.35 |
| | To modify the budget to cover camp director phone - November | | | |
| 97 | A-960-8160.1100 | Refuse - Overtime | 424.23 | |
| | A-960-8160.1000 | Refuse - Personal Services | | 424.23 |
| | To modify the budget to cover Highway employee coverage | | | |
| 98 | A-960-8189.4000 | Recycling - Contractual | 2,126.44 | |
| | A-960-8189.2000 | Recycling - Equipment | | 2,126.44 |
| | To modify the budget to cover higher recycling costs | | | |
| 99 | B-960-8020.4000 | Planning - Contractual | 383.07 | |
| | B-960-1990.4000 | Contingency - Contractual | | 383.07 |
| | To modify the budget to cover additional training and postage | | | |

BUDGET MODIFICATIONS

| Fund/ | | | | |
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| | Department # | Fund / Department Name | Increase | Decrease |
| 2019 | | | | |
| 100 | DB-960-5110.1100 | Genl Road Repair - Overtime | 1,259.03 | |
| | DB-960-5110.4000 | Genl Road Repair - Contractual | 11,342.45 | |
| | DB-960-5110.1000 | Genl Road Repair - Personal Svcs | | 12,601.48 |
| | To modify the budget to cover Employee Overtime Road material and guard rail purchases | | | |
| 101 | DB-960-5112.4000 | Road Construction - Contractual | 35,240.00 | |
| | DB-960-5112.2000 | Road Construction - Equipment | | 35,240.00 |

To modify the budget to cover replacement of 146 culvert sleeve by Precision Trenchless

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| 102 | DB-960-5130.1100 | Machinery - Overtime | 242.25 | |
| | DB-960-5130.1400 | Machinery - Police Work | 387.60 | |
| | DB-960-5130.1000 | Machinery - Personal Services | | 629.85 |

To modify the budget to cover employee over-time and work on department vehicles

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| 103 | DB-960-5140.1600 | Brush & Weeds - Town Hall Work | 535.26 | |
| | DB-960-5140.1000 | Brush & Weeds - Personal Services | | 535.26 |

To modify the budget to cover employee work on Town Hall

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| 104 | SS1-960-8110.4000 | Sewer District #1 - Admin Contractual | 37.60 | |
| | SS1-960-1990.4000 | Sewer Dist #1 - Contingency Contractual | | 37.60 |

To modify the budget to cover interfund administrative work for district

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| 105 | SS6-960-8130.1008 | Personal Services - Dunkin Donuts | - | |
| | SS6-960-8130.4008 | Contractual - Dunkin Donuts | 747.70 | |
| | SS6-960-9030.8008 | Social Security - Dunkin Donuts | - | |
| | SS6-960-9060.8008 | Hospital & Med - Dunkin Donuts | 10.72 | |
| | SS6-509-5031.9999 | Exit 10 Sewer - Sewer Charges | 758.42 | |

To modify the budget for reimbursement of Dunkin Donut expenditures

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| 106 | SS8-960-8130.4000 | Schdk Land Sewer Treat & Disp - Contractual | 1,052.75 | |
| | SS8-960-1990.4000 | Schdk Land Sewer - Contingency | | 953.05 |
| | SS8-599-9999.9999 | Schdk Land Sewer - Fund Balance | | 99.70 |

To modify the budget to cover deficiencies caused by district pump outs

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| 107 | A-960-5132.1000 | Town Garage - Personal Services | 12.97 | |
| | A-960-5132.4000 | Town Garage - Contractual | | 12.97 |

To modify the budget to cover Shawn's work on Highway Garage septic system

5 Ayes 0 Noes. **MOTION CARRIED.** Ayes – J. Bult, M. Kenney, S. Swartz, T. Rex, D. Harris. Noes – 0.

Adoption of Resolution

This resolution was adopted out of order to allow for the Supervisor to read the proclamation in its entirety.

S. Harris made a motion to adopt the following resolution, seconded by C. Bult:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF SCHODACK DOES HEREBY:**

2019-330) WHEREAS, it is the sense of the Schodack Town Board to act in accord with its longstanding traditions, honoring the achievement of those who have given so generously to their community, exemplifying the ideals and values cherished by this great Town, and

WHEREAS, Katherine E. Lubbers has distinguished herself as a person of outstanding ability, establishing a high standard of integrity, and imparting a sense of fairness and compassion to her position of Receiver of Taxes in the Town of Schodack, and

WHEREAS, Katherine E. Lubbers has been a life-long resident of the Town of Schodack and a graduate of Columbia High School class of 1967, and

WHEREAS, Kathy devoted many years employed in the banking industry, and

WHEREAS, early on, Kathy demonstrated her commitment to the community by serving as Treasurer for the Greenbush Cemetery Association and as the organist and choir director of the Greenbush Reformed Church for many years and continues to serve as Choir Director at the Swartz Senior Center, and

WHEREAS, Kathy was first elected Receiver of Taxes on November 4, 2003 assuming the position on January 1, 2004 and has served faithfully in this role under Supervisors: Beth Secor, Dennis Dowds and David B. Harris until her retirement on December 31, 2019, and

WHEREAS, Kathy has demonstrated her love of family by being the mother of Michael, mother-in-law of Andrea and devoted wife to Harry for over 50 years, and

WHEREAS, Kathy always shared her vast knowledge of plants and flowers with Schodack employees and residents, often standing inconspicuously plucking dead leaves from plants while discussing town matters, always in a caring and loving manner interjecting the history of the plants or flowers, and other tid-bits on their care, and

WHEREAS, Kathy continues to demonstrate her commitment to the community by her membership in the Greenbush Reformed Church,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Legislative Body of the Town of Schodack is moved to honor Katherine E. Lubbers, who has given herself to this community in so many ways and distinguished herself throughout her career bringing great pride to her family, her peers, her associates and her community by being a person of commitment, integrity and an impressive role model for all, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Legislative Body of the Town of Schodack will pause in its deliberations on the 12th day of December 2019 to acknowledge and honor Katherine E. Lubbers, upon her retirement, for her 16 years of service to the Town of Schodack and a copy of this resolution, suitably engrossed, will be transmitted to her.

5 Ayes 0 Noes. **MOTION CARRIED.** Ayes – J. Bult, M. Kenney, S. Swartz, T. Rex, D. Harris. Noes – 0.

Public Comment – Open

M. Sherwood said she had noticed many individuals struggling to walk on the sidewalk along Route 9& 20 and asked who was responsible for clearing it. S. Harris said the state was responsible. He agreed that it was dangerous for people to walk in the road and said he would contact the state to see what could be done.

N. Hans, a trustee from the Castleton Library, thanked the board for their past support and wished to give an update on goals and anticipated services to be offered in 2020. It was the library's intention to increase outreach offered to the community through monthly book services at the senior center as well as mailing books as requested. The library would be improving their computers and Wi-Fi with a higher speed internet as well as begin to lend out hotspots for residents who are traveling or have little or no internet at their home. They also intend to improve the space in the newly refurbished community room, using the remainder of the funds for a hanging art space to feature items from local artists. An upgrade to the water fountain will also include a fill station for residents. The library was looking to work with the Town of Schodack to organize a story walk in the town park as well. S. Harris said the town would be happy to assist the library with their walk and noted that the local girl scouts would be placing a small library by the Park Pavilion.

M. Stufflebeam of 4 Hannah Lane and J. Hicks of 5 Hidden Pond implored the board to assist them with the issues they were having with the developer who owns Hidden Pond. They said, as the road is privately owned and not maintained by the town, the residents have had to deal with inadequate plowing or salting of the road following snow storms. They noted that it had taken up to twenty-four hours for the road to be plowed due to the developer claiming he did not know it had snowed in Schodack. Not only were the residents having issues with the road but the local postal carriers were having trouble navigating the road and have even become stuck trying to deliver mail. They said whereas there are only five houses on the road, many of the families have small children and were concerned for their safety with the lack of maintenance on the road. In the event of an emergency, the residents were told to inform 911 that the road is private and to send a plow truck ahead of emergency vehicles to plow the road. They said they had spoken to Nadine Fuda regarding the issue who contacted the developer. Following her call, the road was salted for the first time all season. Mr. Stufflebeam and Mr. Hicks said it was their hope that, by bringing the issue to the attention of the board, they may be able to encourage the developer to do what is needed to bring the road up to code so it can be deeded to the town. S. Harris said he and Ken Holmes, Highway Superintendent, had recently visited the development. It was clear that the developer had a considerable amount of work to do to

get the road up to the required specifications. He had spoken with Ms. Fuda regarding the road and whereas the developer has met with her, a review by attorneys for both he and the town is necessary before anything can be finalized. Mr. Hicks asked if the board could do anything to pressure the developer to expedite the process. S. Harris said, unfortunately, with it being a private road, the town must tread carefully. C. Swartz asked if a bond was put up when construction of the development was started. Atty. Langlois confirmed that a performance bond was received; however, it could not be used for maintenance such as plowing of the road. He commended the two residents for contacting Ms. Fuda and said he would follow up with her to keep pressure on the developer. C. Bult asked if an agreement could be made between the town and the developer to have the town plow the road for public safety reasons. Atty. Langlois said it was not possible for this development. It would be possible to add such agreements for future developments to prevent this issue from reoccurring. The residents were thankful that their comments may be helpful to other residents in the future and thanked the board for their assistance in the matter.

A resident asked if an occupancy permit was issued for the homes in Hidden Pond. Atty. Langlois said yes. The resident continued by stating S. Harris had come to his residence with K. Holmes, Highway Superintendent, to evaluate an issue and was appalled how he and another resident of his road were treated.

G. Maruca of Eden Renewables said he had met with William Film, Director of Real Properties at Rensselaer County regarding proposed PILOTS for the solar projects coming to the county. He had presented his concerns and questions to Mr. Film as the fee structure should be different for the various types of solar arrays. He said a range was decided upon with the next step being a meeting between Rensselaer County, the Town of Schodack and the School Districts to solidify the amount to be paid. Atty. Langlois said, with permission from the board, he would reach out to Mr. Film to establish a template for the PILOT agreement, set the amount to be paid for the fifteen year period and how the funds will be split between the county, town and school. All board members were in agreement. C. Bult said he was comfortable with Atty. Langlois representing the town board in negotiations for the PILOT. Atty. Langlois noted that it may be beneficial for a few of the board members to be present as well. Mr. Maruca asked what the procedure would be for final approval of the PILOTS. Atty. Langlois said the agreement would need to be approved through all legislative bodies for the county, town and schools. Mr. Maruca asked if a public hearing would be necessary. Atty. Langlois said no.

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business before the Board, C. Kenney made a motion to adjourn the 12/12/19 Town Board meeting at 7:49 p.m., seconded by S. Harris. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debra L. Curtis
Schodack Town Clerk

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