

Approved

September 14 2015

**August 27, 2015
Town of Taghkanic
Town Board/Building Project Meeting**

7 pm: The Town Board of the Town of Taghkanic held a Town Board Project meeting on the above date at the Taghkanic Town Hall. Supervisor Erik Tyree opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance, moment of Silence and Safety Review.

Present:	Erik Tyree	Supervisor
	Richard Skoda	Board Member
	Ryan Skoda	Board Member
	Linda Swartz	Board Member
	Joyce Thompson	Board Member
	Ray Jurkowski	Town Engineer
	Cheryl Rogers	Clerk

Absent:

Highway Project Update: Supervisor Erik Tyree asked Ray Jurkowski for an update on the project. Mr. Jurkowski informed the Board he had contacted four contractors concerning the pouring of the footings. Two have visited the site and are not willing to guarantee the work as they were not the ones who installed the rebar and forms, they did not bid.

- ✚ Board Member Richard Skoda: interrupted Mr. Jurkowski to ask if it was too late to submit a bid. He was also concerned if it would be legal for him to do so?
- ✚ Board Member Linda Swartz: you could submit your bid and we could ask our Town Attorney for advice.
- ✚ Larry Kadish: write your bid down on paper, my concerns would be insurance requirements and what if there is a blow out.
- ✚ Board Member Richard Skoda: we would have to deal with that at the time and would have to eat the extra costs.
- ✚ Ray Jurkowski: if it is not done correctly the town can hold payment.
- ✚ Ray Jurkowski: I went to the Highway Garage and spoke to Mike Conn to ask him how he felt about a contractor finishing the job, "*Mike Conn, he agreed, we do not have enough man power to get it done*". Ray recommended getting a contractor to finish the concrete work. The contractor can start the footings the week of September 14.
- ✚ Supervisor Erik Tyree: we have one guy bidding on the footings.
- ✚ Board Member Ryan Skoda: I would think we would try and get more because the liability is gone.
- ✚ Ray Jurkowski: pouring the walls is a good spot to change who's doing the work. Once the footings are done, the forms must come off, the wall forms put into place and the walls poured.
- ✚ Board Member Richard Skoda; the more I think about it forget I said anything it would be better for a contractor to do the whole thing.
- ✚ Ray Jurkowski: with that said I received one bid from Harkins Mechanical & Construction, LLC in the amount of \$16,700.00 for the footing concrete pour and

shoring forms; Harkins is interested in the walls as well.

- ✚ Board Member Ryan Skoda: I'm confused on what happened to the highway workers?
- ✚ Ray Jurkowski: man power. The lead concrete person had a very bad accident at his home and is not able to work for several months. There is a second crewmember skilled in concrete work but it requires more than one to do the job.
- ✚ Board Member Ryan Skoda: motioned to notice for bids for the whole concrete portion of the project bids to be in by September 11, 2015, seconded by Board member Joyce Thompson.

Approved: 5 Ayes (Erik Linda, Joyce, Richard, Ryan)

0 Nays

0 Absent

- ✚ Ray Jurkowski: I would rather have the contractors bid on labor and concrete. I would also like to see the footings done by the end of September and the walls done by October 19th.
- ✚ Supervisor Erik Tyree; Ray have we heard anything from DEC?
- ✚ Ray Jurkowski: nothing from DEC I will check with them and draft a memo. I will get a notice in the paper for the bids.
- ✚ Supervisor Erik Tyree: it is duly noted that we received a letter from Arthur Baker and will take it under recommendation.

Truck Bids: Superintendent George Hotaling reported to the Board that he has two bids as follows:

1. Ruge's GMC – 2016 GMC Sierra 3500 Regular cab 4x4 \$35,229.00 unclear if this bid includes plow.
2. Village Dodge Inc. – 2016 Ram 3500 Tradesman Regular Cab 4x4 w/plow \$41,646.00.

Supervisor Erik Tyree do we feel comfortable to accept one of these bids? Board Member Ryan Skoda, I will accept the bid from Ruge's very good bid; my acceptance hinges on George selling a truck. Not right now but down the road.

- ✚ Superintendent Hotaling: after winter I'd get rid of the Dodge.
- ✚ Board Member Linda Swartz motioned to approve the bid from Ruge's as long as the price with plow does not exceed the bid from Village Dodge. and that one truck is sold, seconded by Board Member Joyce Thompson.

Approved: 5 Ayes (Erik Linda, Joyce, Richard, Ryan)

0 Nays

0 Absent

Superintendent Hotaling reported the following.

Truck #4 is down engine brake

Truck #5 down ejector lines

Truck #3 down steering leak replaced steering box

Assessor, approval to notice for Data Collectors: Board Member Joyce Thompson requested approval for a notice to be placed for data collectors for the Assessor's Office; Board Member Richard Skoda motioned to approve noticing for data collectors for the Assessor, seconded by Board Member Joyce Thompson.

Approved: 5 Ayes (Erik Linda, Joyce, Richard, Ryan)
0 Nays
0 Absent

Board Member Joyce Thompson informed the Board that Assessor Craig Surprise informed her that the town will receive around \$26,700.00 for harvesting exemption penalties and interest.

The bills were audited and approved for payment as follows:

✦ **August 27, 2015 Abstract:** on a motion by Board Member Linda Swartz, seconded by Board Member Richard Skoda.

2015 General Fund Vouchers	# 257 - 263	\$ 9,271.51
2015 Highway Fund Vouchers		
2015 Hwy Project Fund vouchers	# 46 - 48	\$ 2,994.45

Approved: 5 Ayes (Erik Linda, Joyce, Richard, Ryan)
0 Nays
0 Absent

Executive Session: None

With no further business, on a motion by Board Member Richard Skoda, seconded by Board Member Joyce Thompson, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm, carried unanimously by all members present. The next Regular meeting will be **September 14, 2015** at the Taghkanic Town Hall.

Audience: Larry Kadish
Walter Thompson

Anna Kadish

Dennis Callahan

George Hotaling