

Approved

January 9, 2017

**TOWN BOARD MEETING
TOWN OF TAGHKANIC
November 30, 2016**

The Taghkanic Town Board held interviews on the above date at the Taghkanic Town Hall with the following:

✚ **6 pm:** Russ Antonacci, Vice President & Investment Officer, Investment Department Manager, Glens Falls National Bank & Trust Co.

✚ **6:30 pm:** N. Jeanne Forkeutis, Associate Vice President, Financial Advisor Morgan Stanley

Present: Arthur McGuire Board Member
Richard Skoda Board Member
Ryan Skoda Board Member
Cheryl Rogers Clerk

Absent: Erik Tyree Supervisor
Joyce Thompson Board Member

The following companies were invited but declined:

✚ Ackerman Quinn Financial Services

✚ UBS

The following company was not able to attend the interview but sent information for the Boards Review.

✚ Comerica Bank Wealth Management

Board Member Arthur McGuire: are we going to discuss the following correspondence?

Correspondence:

Dear Supervisor Erik Tyree,

Town Board Members: Arthur McGuire, Joyce Thompson, Richard Skoda, Ryan Skoda,

This is a formal request that the Town Board modify color decisions for the new Highway Department Garage.

The Highway Department Garage should conform to the traditional colors of rural work-related structures.

The current choices of pastel colors - beige siding and white doors that will dominate the facade - are appropriate for a home, but totally inappropriate for a work structure.

We request that the darker color scheme that is traditional for all non-residential buildings be implemented. Darker colors will de-emphasize the building size, an important consideration, and it will identify it as a traditional work-related structure.

We recommend that stock colors offered by our engineer at the last Board meeting be utilized. We therefore recommend reinstating the brown doors the Board had chosen (a warranty is typically offered by the manufacturer against fading).

We also strongly recommend that the colors for the siding, window trim, and side doors which were considered possibilities at the last Town Board meeting, be used. They were a barn red or an ivy green. With either choice of color, the roof can be brown. This color scheme is both traditional and appropriate for all rural work-structures.

As taxpayers and nearby residents, we urgently request that the choice of colors be amended as per our recommendations. We respectfully request that the Town Board address our concerns in a timely fashion.

Sincerely,

Kathy Bainer, Moisha Blechman, R. O. Blechman, Erin Edwards, Carole Fass, Stephen Fass, Meredith Glabman, Polly Horton, John Markus, Donay Queenan, Alan Raymond, Susan Raymond, Jean Scribner, Jim Scribner, Don Sheff, Tina Sheff, Karen Schutzer, Dr. Steven Schutzer, Scott Stackpole, Chris Tallackson

Fellow Board Members and Project Manager,

The request and recommendation of color choice for the garage building certainly needs to be addressed. I see it as one recommendation in the context of others at the meeting who voiced a dissimilar preference - going with the lighter colors as depicted in the rendering.

I believe it is important to keep this recommendation in that context - one by a significant, but not only, group within the town - albeit, people who live near the garage and will see it more often than others who live in other parts of town.

The renderings have been presented multiple times, have been available for consideration over a long period of time and the purpose was to make everyone aware and give them time to present their ideas. Hearing nothing from any other group, and receiving it after the board decision, leaves this request as a standalone that needs to be regarded as a legitimate recommendation but does not represent town-wide consensus.

It is the business of the board to represent the whole town and take this recommendation under consideration when making the final decision.

An important decision factor is that we, as a board, must not incur any extra cost to this project. If the materials have not been ordered yet, we could take one more look at the colors to consider a compromise. If they have been ordered and a change will cost a lot, or hold up the project work flow, then the decision should be considered to be out of our hands.

My questions are: is the Wednesday meeting only for interviews? Or is there to be a board meeting? Do we know whether the materials have been ordered? If so, would a change order constitute extra cost or delay the project? Perhaps answers to these questions will help us move forward expeditiously to resolve this issue.

Regards,
Joyce

Board Member Ryan Skoda: this meeting tonight was not noticed as a meeting, it was noticed as the Town Board holding interview, so we can talk informally but that is all. I have been in contact with Ray Jurkowski asking about the colors of the doors. We can get the doors to match what every color we choice but that become a special order and costs more money. Standard colors for the doors are white or brown. With special ordered doors they will not be available till spring. I also took a ride around our town and all the way to Copake the majority of the colors of buildings are light colors.

Board Member Richard Skoda: I know I was not at November 14th meeting but the color choices that were agreed upon by the board are perfectly fine with me.