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**December 28, 2018  
Town of Taghkanic  
Town Board Meeting**

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**5:35 pm:** Town Board members audited and signed vouchers.

**5:35 pm:** The Taghkanic Town Board held its Year-End meeting on the above date at the Taghkanic Town Hall.

<b>Present:</b>	Ryan Skoda	Supervisor
	Richard Skoda	Board Member
	Linda Swartz	Board Member
	Joyce Thompson	Board Member
	Cheryl Rogers	Clerk

<b>Absent:</b>	Arthur McGuire	Board Member
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**Guest Speaker:** none

**The Correspondence consisted of:**

1. William Decaire, Carter Conboy, letter of resignation as Town Attorney effective January 18, 2019
2. Joyce Thompson and William Decaire email
3. Stanley Scott, Letter of Interest for FAC
4. Anna Kadish, Letter of Interest PB Alternate and EMC
5. James Romaine, Letter of Interest ZBA Member
6. Moisha Blechman, Letter of Interest ZBA Alternate
7. Stephen Kling, Letter of Interest PB Member

**A. Town Attorney:** Supervisor Ryan Skoda, I feel we need to do an RFP, legally it is the right way.

✚ **Board Member Joyce Thompson:** I agree, we need to reach out to Attorneys letting them know about the RFP. I would like to approach Christine Chale, she has done work for us with the Bonds.

Board Member Joyce Thompson motioned to initiate an RFP for Town Attorney for the years of 2019 and 2020, seconded by Board Member Linda Swartz.

**Approved**      4 Aye      (Ryan, Linda, Richard, Joyce)  
0 Nays  
1 Absent      (Arthur)

**B. Highway Wages:** Supervisor Ryan Skoda we need to make a decision about whether we are giving the Highway employees a raise. When doing the 2019 Budget we held them flat because of the raise in the insurance cost, which is part of their pay.

✚ **Board Member Joyce Thompson:** in doing a quick comparison of wages for highway employees, our wages are not at the bottom of the barrel. Other towns do not pay in full for health insurance; the employee has to pay a percentage.

✚ **Board Member Richard Skoda:** I agree that we leave flat for this year.

✚ Board Member Linda Swartz, agree.

Board Member Richard Skoda motioned to leave the Highway Employees rate of pay the same as last year for 2019 because of the raise in insurance costs, seconded by Board Member Linda Swartz.

**Approved**      4 Aye      (Ryan, Linda, Richard, Joyce)  
                         0 Nays  
                         1 Absent      (Arthur)

**C. Financial Advisory Committee:** Board Member Joyce Thompson motioned to appoint **Stanley Scott** to the **Financial Advisory Committee**, seconded by Board Member Richard Skoda.

**Approved**      4 Aye      (Ryan, Linda, Richard, Joyce)  
                         0 Nays  
                         1 Absent      (Arthur)

**D. EMC Appointment as County Representative:** Board Member Richard Skoda motioned to appoint **Anna Kadish** as the **Representative of the County EMC**, for the Town of Taghkanic, seconded by Board Member Linda Swartz.

**Approved**      4 Aye      (Ryan, Linda, Richard, Joyce)  
                         0 Nays  
                         1 Absent      (Arthur)

**E. PB Appointments:** Board Member Linda Swartz motioned to appoint **Stephen Kling** as member to the **Planning Board** with **term ending 12-31-2025**, seconded by Board Member Richard Skoda.

**Approved**      4 Aye      (Ryan, Linda, Richard, Joyce)  
                         0 Nays  
                         1 Absent      (Arthur)

Board Member Linda Swartz motioned to appoint **Anna Kadish** as **Alternate** for the **Planning Board** for the year of 2019, seconded by Board Member Richard Skoda.

**Approved**      4 Aye      (Ryan, Linda, Richard, Joyce)  
                         0 Nays  
                         1 Absent      (Arthur)

**F. ZBA Appointments:** Board Member Linda Swartz motioned to appoint **James Romaine** as member to the **ZBA** with **term ending 12-31-2023**, seconded by Board Member Richard Skoda.

**Approved**      4 Aye      (Ryan, Linda, Richard, Joyce)  
                         0 Nays  
                         1 Absent      (Arthur)

Board Member Linda Swartz motioned to appoint **Moisha Blechman** as **Alternate** for the **ZBA** for the year of 2019, seconded by Board Member Richard Skoda.

**Approved**      4 Aye      (Ryan, Linda, Richard, Joyce)  
                         0 Nays  
                         1 Absent      (Arthur)

**G. Budget Amendment #6:** Board Member Richard Skoda motioned to approve Budget Amendment #6, seconded by Board Member Linda Swartz.

**Town of Taghkanic**

**December 28, 2018**

**Budget Amendment # 6**

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>		<b>Increase</b>	<b>Decrease</b>
ACCOUNTANT	<b>A1340.41</b>	71.94	
GARAGE CONTRACTUAL	<b>A5132.4</b>	1,571.60	
HOSPITALIZATION	<b>A9060.8</b>	194.32	
<del>CONTINGENT</del> Zoning Commission	<b>A8010.41</b>		1,837.86
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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

ACCOUNTANT ADMIN FEE  
 GARAGE TEE SHIRTS  
 HOSPITALIZATION ADMIN FEE

Board Member Thompson suggested that the Board build this into the 2020 budget.

**H. The bills were audited and approved for payment as follows:**

**✦ December 28, 2018 Year-End Abstract:** on a motion by Board Member Richard Skoda, seconded by Board Member Linda Swartz.

2018 General Fund Vouchers	# 421 - 441	\$ 25,297.37
2018 Highway Fund Vouchers	# 259 - 276	\$ 16,945.56
2018 Hwy Project Fund vouchers	# 7 -	\$ 50.50
2018 Escrow Fund Vouchers	# -	\$

**Approved**      **4 Aye**      **(Ryan, Linda, Richard, Joyce)**  
**0 Nays**  
**1 Absent**      **(Arthur)**

**I. Public Comment:** None

**J. Executive Session:** None

**With no further business,** on a motion by Board Member Richard Skoda, seconded by Board Member Linda Swartz, the meeting was adjourned at 6:20 pm, carried unanimously by all members present. The next Regular meeting will be **January 14, 2018** at the Taghkanic Town Hall.

Audience:

