

January 2nd, 2016 Organizational Meeting

The Stony Creek Town Board Organizational Meeting was held on January 2nd, 2016. Attorney James Cooper administered the Oath of Office to the Elected Officials.

Supervisor Frank Thomas called the meeting to order at 10:02 AM with members present:
Councilman Nathan Thomas
Councilwoman Doreen Ryan
Councilman John Thomas
Attorney James Cooper
Absent: Councilman Carl Thomas

001-15. A resolution was made by Councilwoman Ryan seconded by Councilman John Thomas to hold the Town Board meetings every third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. with auditing of bills at 6:30 P.M. Roll call vote, all in favor.

002-15. A resolution was made by Councilman John Thomas seconded by Councilman Nathan Thomas establishing the Stony Creek Town Hall, 52 Hadley Road, Stony Creek, NY 12878 as the Official Polling Place for the Year 2016. Roll call vote, all in favor.

Councilman Carl Thomas attended the meeting at 10:04 AM.

003-15. A resolution was made by Councilwoman Ryan seconded by Councilman John Thomas appointing Susan Harrington as Registrar of Vital Statistics for the year 2016 with an annual salary of \$500.00. Roll call vote, all in favor.

004-15. A resolution was made by Councilman Nathan Thomas seconded by Councilwoman Ryan appointing Amy M. Harrington as Deputy Town Clerk for the year 2016 with no annual salary. Roll call vote, all in favor.

005-15. A resolution was made by Councilman John Thomas seconded by Councilman Carl Thomas appointing Amy M. Harrington as Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics for the year 2016 with no annual salary. Roll call vote, all in favor.

006-15. A resolution was made by Councilwoman Ryan seconded by Councilman John Thomas appointing Supervisor Frank E. Thomas as Budget Officer for the year 2016 with an annual salary of \$500.00. Roll call vote, Councilman Carl Thomas-Yes, Councilman John Thomas-Yes, Councilman Nathan Thomas-Yes, Councilwoman Ryan-Yes, Supervisor Thomas-Abstained.

007-15. A resolution was made by Councilman Nathan Thomas seconded by Councilwoman Ryan appointing Cynthia Cameron as Town Historian for the year 2016 with an annual salary of \$500.00. Roll call vote, all in favor.

008-15. A resolution was made by Councilman John Thomas seconded by Councilman Carl Thomas appointing Maxine Zawarkay as Dog Control Officer for the year 2016 with an annual salary of \$4284.00 contingent upon receipt of Monthly Dog Incident Report Log. Roll call vote, all in favor.

009-15. A resolution was made by Councilwoman Ryan seconded by Councilman Carl Thomas appointing James W. Cooper as Attorney to the Town for the year 2016 with an annual salary of \$9002.00. Roll call vote, all in favor

010-15. A resolution was made by Supervisor Thomas seconded by Councilman Carl Thomas appointing Nathan J. Thomas as Deputy Supervisor for the year 2016 with no annual salary. Roll call vote, all in favor.

011-15. A resolution was made by Councilman John Thomas seconded by Councilwoman Ryan appointing Ronda L.M.Thomas as the Supervisors Confidential Secretary/Bookkeeper for the year 2016 with an annual salary of \$24,128.00. Roll call vote, Councilman Carl Thomas-Yes, Councilman John Thomas-Yes, Councilman Nathan Thomas-Yes, Councilwoman Ryan-Yes, Supervisor Thomas-Abstained.

012-15. A resolution was made by Councilman Nathan Thomas seconded by Councilwoman Ryan appointing Bryan Smead MD. as Town Health Officer for year 2016 with an annual salary of \$500.00. Roll call vote, all in favor.

013-15. A resolution was made by Councilman Nathan Thomas seconded by Councilman Carl Thomas authorizing the Superintendent of Highways to appoint a Foreman who in turn will receive a \$35.00 stipend each pay period. Roll call vote, all in favor

014-15. A resolution was made by Councilman Carl Thomas seconded by Councilwoman Ryan authorizing the Town Justice to appoint a Court Clerk for the year 2016 with a pay rate of \$11.00 per hour. Roll call vote, all in favor.

015-15. A resolution was made by Councilman John Thomas seconded by Councilwoman Ryan to set the pay rate for the Recycling Center Coordinator substitute's helper at \$10.38 an hour, if head maintenance person fills in he will be paid his regular hourly rate. Roll call vote, all in favor.

016-15. A resolution was made by Councilwoman Ryan seconded by Councilman Carl Thomas setting the pay rate for laborer to help the maintenance person at \$10.38 an hour and give the Town Board a report of where and when person was used. Roll call vote, all in favor.

017-15. A resolution was made by Councilman Nathan Thomas seconded by Councilwoman Ryan authorizing the use of the Annual Financial Report to the State Comptroller in lieu of the Supervisors' Annual Report to the Stony Creek Town Board. Roll call vote, all in favor.

018-15. A resolution was made by Councilman John Thomas seconded by Councilman Carl Thomas authorizing the Supervisor to invest idle funds on behalf of the Town per the town's Investment Policy. Roll call vote, all in favor.

019-15. A resolution was made by Councilman Carl Thomas seconded by Councilwoman Ryan designating TD Bank and Glens Falls National and Trust Co. Bank, as official depositories for town funds for the year 2016. Roll call vote, all in favor.

020-15. A resolution was made by Councilman Nathan Thomas seconded by Councilwoman Ryan authorizing the Supervisor to use a facsimile signature stamp in lieu of his personal signature on town checks. Roll call vote, all in favor.

021-15. A resolution was made by Councilman Carl Thomas seconded by Councilman Nathan Thomas authorizing the Town Officials to attend the Association of Towns Annual Meeting in New York City February 14th-17th, 2016. Roll call vote, all in favor.

022-15. A resolution was made by Councilwoman Ryan seconded by Councilman John Thomas designating Supervisor Thomas as the Official Voting Delegate and Peter LaGrasse, Assessor as the Alternate Delegate for the Association of Towns Annual Meeting in NYC February 14th-17th, 2016. Roll call vote, all in favor.

023-15. A resolution was made by Councilman Nathan Thomas seconded by Councilman Carl Thomas authorizing a cash advance in the amount of \$400.00 to Town Officials attending the Association of Towns Annual Meeting in New York City for qualifying expenses for those desiring such a cash advance. Receipts submitted upon return. Roll call vote, all in favor.

024-15. A resolution was made by Councilman John Thomas seconded by Councilman Carl Thomas designating the Glens Falls Post-Star as the official newspaper with legal notices to be put in the Adirondack Journal when time permits. Roll call vote, all in favor.

025-15. A resolution was made by Councilwoman Ryan seconded by Councilman Carl Thomas appointing Peter J. LaGrasse, Chairman of the Board of Assessors for the year 2016, with an annual salary of \$10,812.00. Roll call vote, all in favor.

026-15. A resolution was made by Councilman Nathan Thomas seconded by Councilman Carl Thomas establishing the mileage reimbursement rate at .54¢ per mile effective January 1, 2016. Roll call vote, all in favor.

027-15. A resolution was made by Councilman Carl Thomas seconded by Supervisor Thomas authorizing the Supervisor to sign the contract with the Stony Creek Volunteer Fire Co for Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Service for the year 2016 in the amount of \$92,000.00 and fueling of the Stony Creek Volunteer Fire Department's equipment at the Town facility with the town being reimbursed the cost on a quarterly basis.

Roll call vote, Councilman Carl Thomas-Yes, Councilman John Thomas, Member of the fire Co.-Yes, Councilman Nathan Thomas, Member of the fire Co.-Yes, Councilwoman Ryan Member of the fire Co.,-Yes, Supervisor Thomas-Yes.

028-15. A resolution was made by Councilwoman Ryan seconded by Councilman Nathan Thomas authorizing the Supervisor to sign the contract with the Stony Creek Free Library for Library services to the Town of Stony Creek for the year 2016 in the amount of \$22,000.00 Roll call vote, all in favor.

029-15. A resolution was made by Councilman Nathan Thomas seconded by Councilwoman Ryan authorizing the Supervisor to sign the Contract with the Stony Creek Historical Association to maintain Museum Services for the year 2016 in the amount of \$5,600.00. Roll call vote, Councilman Carl Thomas-Yes, Councilman John Thomas-Yes, Councilman Nathan Thomas-Yes, Councilwoman Ryan-Yes, Supervisor Thomas-Abstained.

030-15. A resolution was made by Councilman Nathan Thomas seconded by Councilman Carl Thomas appointing Marcy Reisinger as Youth Director for the year 2016 with a pay rate of \$12.00 per hour not to exceed 20 hours per week. Roll call vote, all in favor.

031-15. A resolution was made by Councilwoman Ryan seconded by Councilman John Thomas setting the Monday before the monthly Town Board meeting at 3:00 PM as the cut-off time for bills to be paid that month. Roll call vote, all in favor.

032-15. A resolution was made by Councilman John Thomas seconded by Councilman Carl Thomas designating Supervisor Thomas as the Town of Stony Creek's Representative of the Warren County Youth Bureau. Roll call vote, Councilman Carl Thomas-Yes, Councilman John Thomas-Yes, Councilman Nathan Thomas-Yes, Councilwoman Ryan-Yes, Supervisor Thomas-Abstained.

Supervisor Thomas stated if anyone has the desire to attend the Association of Towns meeting in NYC to let them know. Councilman Nathan Thomas is checking to see if he will be able to attend. Carol LaGrasse stated that Peter wants to go. Supervisor Thomas stated he may go he hasn't decided, he hasn't gone in a couple years.

Supervisor Thomas reported the results of the Union Negotiations. They met on December 17th he gave the Town Board a copy of the results.

033-15. A resolution was made by Councilman John Thomas seconded by Councilwoman Ryan To enter into the agreement with AFSCME Council 66 Union that the town employees have. It is a three-year contract starting 2016-2018. Wages each year (2016, 2017, 2018) will be 2% pay increase at the beginning of the year. Retiree's Health Care Section 34C number 4 was added. If the retiree dies, the retiree's spouse may continue on with the health care coverage at 50% share for the spouse and 50% share for the town per month. The maximum amount the town will contribute per month is \$200.00. Roll call vote, all in favor.

034-15. A resolution was made by Supervisor Thomas seconded by Councilman John Thomas to enter in to the Shared Services Agreement between the NYS Department of Transportation and the Town of Stony Creek. Roll call vote, all in favor.

From the floor:

Sue Brooks, Boy Scout Leader was present and update the Town Board on the Eagle Scouts. She thanked the Town Board for providing the materials to make the baskets.

They prepared 27 Christmas Baskets for the elderly. They do the cooking and delivering. That is defiantly something they want to so.

There are three Eagle Scouts, William Mitcham who is doing the backstop at the recreation field. There is enough fencing at the landfill that he can use. He needs to get the metal poles and things to attach it. He approached Curtis Lumber and they are going to donate some things.

Home Depot has an Eagle Scout Project donation thing, but it's like sometimes they have and one time they don't, it's like \$100.00 they give. He has raised some funds and will continue to raise funds for that. He has contracted Warren County Soil and Water, Dean Moore and being it's so close to the creek they can justify hydro-seeding it, using it as a runoff prevention thing. They will do that free of charge. They are hoping while they are here doing around the basketball court. As far as the base path and bases, she knows they had bases so he can put those in. They may have to look at where the pitching plate goes. There's like a mangled metal, so they may have to take that out and put a new anchor in to make sure it's safe.

Ryan Brooks is renovating the basketball court. He has the materials from Peckham. The paver is coming from Corinth. The Town of Hadley is going to transport it up here. They couldn't get it this Fall. So it's first on the list come Spring. Ryan is going to repaint the existing metal poles that are there and he wants to purchase polycarbonate, it will be clear backstops with new rims. They are between \$2-300.00 apiece. He has raised about \$350.00 of it. She is hoping maybe the town could kick in some money for that. Then they will hydro-seeding. Dean doesn't know if they should put topsoil on first around it. Supervisor Thomas stated it probably wouldn't hurt. Mrs. Brooks stated the dump use to have a big pile. Councilman John Thomas stated there is a pile down there. Mrs. Brooks stated that would be pretty good to go around it, tapper it off and hydro-seed it. Councilman John Thomas stated maybe Supt. Bradley would help with that too. Mrs. Brooks stated they didn't want to gravel it. The blacktop will have to sit a while before it can be painted. Curtis Lumber will donate the paint for that. Mrs. Brooks also stated that the basketball rims are guaranteed for life.

Moses Corliss is building 6-7 Bluebird houses, 12 duck nesting boxes and some bat houses for the museum. Before it froze he has, with the help of Sandy Payne, put in the 4X4's where the boxes are going so that's all set. He is going to put signage up, he will use the existing trail marker poles to put a little information sign of where the boxes are. That shouldn't cost anything because they donated all the 4X4's.

They are still willing to help with the Veterans Memorial Sign.

Supervisor Thomas thank her for the update.

A motion was made by Councilman Nathan Thomas seconded by Councilwoman Ryan to adjourn the meeting at 10:34 AM. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Harrington, RMC
Town Clerk