Minutes of May 24, 2016 Germantown Town Board meeting, held at Germantown Town Hall, Germantown, NY, commencing at 7:00pm.

Present: Supervisor Craig

Councilwoman DuFresne

Councilwoman Foley

Councilman Moore

Absent: Councilman Phelan

Recorded by: Town Clerk, Joyce Vale

Motion to approve April Town Board meeting minutes made by Councilwoman Foley, seconded by Councilman Moore, with all in favor and none opposed.

Motion to pay May Town Board audited bills made by Councilwoman DuFresne, seconded by Councilwoman Foley, with all in favor and none opposed.

**Written Communications** by Town Clerk

Town Clerk said she received an email from Kay Abraham urging the Town Board to appoint a comprehensive plan review committee.

Town Clerk also mentioned that Columbia County Clerk’s Office is sponsoring another “KISS”, Keeping Identities of Seniors Safe program. The program will begin June 6th through June 17th. Bins will be here in the lobby at Town Hall.

Suggestion made to place the bins at Palatine Manor. Supervisor Craig said that he or Town Clerk will talk to Holly Tanner in regards to this.

**Maintenance** by Councilman Moore

* All water has been turned on. Beach house bathrooms are open.
* Mowing and weed eating.
* Serviced all UV systems. Replaced a sensor.
* Working on south ball field. Rolling and raking it, filling in low spots.
* Lake is doing well and has been treating it.
* Serviced both mowers.
* River Sweep went well. Picked up 820 pounds of garbage and 4 tires.

Councilwoman DuFresne asked if there is an estimate when ball field will be done? Supervisor Craig will find out from Anthony.

**Highway** by Councilman Moore

* First pass of mowing and weed eating.
* Installed 720’ of 12” culvert pipe and 3 catch basins on Block Factory Road.
* Installed 100’ of 6” coil pipe on Palatine Park Road and Main Street to help drain water for the sidewalk project.
* 2003 International went to Ben Funk’s
* Helping Anthony with south ball field.
* Received estimates for paving on Underhill and East Camp Roads.
* Received prices for oil & stone.
* Have a safe Memorial Day and remember the sacrifices the Veterans and their families have made.

**Sewer** by Supervisor Craig

* Average flow is 28,000 gallons per day.
* Received 11 call before dig requests.
* Working with engineers and Colarusso’s about the manhole covers.

**Police** by Chief DuBois

* Logged 78.5 hours for the month of April.
* 13 vehicle traffic tickets
* 22 warnings
* 1 trespass
* 1 Aggravated Unlicensed Operator
* 1 Assist another agency

Park Patrols: Cheviot- 21 times, Anchorage- 21 times, School- 15 times, Palatine Park- 12 times, Dales Bridge- 12 times.

Chief DuBois thanked the Highway department helping with servicing their car.

**History** by Supervisor Craig

Hiring a cleaner for the Parsonage, in the process of getting some estimates.

Need to replace the bilco door. Will do in house.

**Parks & Recreation** by Councilwoman DuFresne

Councilwoman DuFresne said the Parks commission has been working with GNA, Germantown Neighbor’s Association. Had raised money way back through private donations and the company that managed the funds is no longer doing that and they needed to find an outlet. Councilwoman DuFresne has been working with Don Westmore and Dorothy Montague and had a few meetings and decided the Parks commission would be a perfect outlet for the money. They have received over $10,000 and will use it towards the waterfront revitalization plan. Councilwoman DuFresne said a special thank you to Dorothy for all of her help.

**Old Business**

* Independence Day celebration will have more food vendors, the band Southbound, more children’s activities, including a magician, a clown, Mad Science, Birds of Prey, Fire & Ice, Exotic animals and fireworks provided by Young Explosives.
* Brian handling security.
* Could use more volunteers.
* Work schedule will be ready the beginning of June.

Councilwoman DuFresne would like to respond to Kay’s email about the comprehensive plan. Looking into a hiring a professional who does that kind of thing. The comprehensive plan we have is not that old and won’t need a full re-write. Money received towards the valuation will cover the cost of this professional. The volunteers will work with this professional.

* Sidewalks progressing along Palatine Park Road. Working on Main Street shortly. Not doing the hamlet before Memorial Day.
* Sold 2 police vehicles. Crown Vic is now up for bid and they did get the title for it.

**New Business**

Supervisor Craig introduced Jason Shelton, new general manager at Gtel. Mr. Shelton said he is looking forward to working at Gtel.

Supervisor Craig announced appointment of Camp Palatine staff, Director: Linda Gerlach, Site Supervisor: Alex Braidt, Group Leader: Logan Mead, Skylar Jackson, Counselors: Jennifer Sutera, Elizabeth Choinsky, Tyler Fuchs, Jonathan Randazzo, Emma Muirhead, Hunter Jackson, Kylie Eaton, Austin Arsenault, Colin Lynk, Counselors in Training: Leah Foster, Emily Nack, Bryan Bathrick.

Motion to approve the hiring Camp Palatine staff made by Councilman Moore, seconded by Councilwoman DuFresne.

Supervisor Craig: Aye

Councilwoman DuFresne: Aye

Councilwoman Foley: Aye

Councilman Moore: Aye

Sidewalk Inter Municipal Agreement. Columbia County replacing box culvert in front of school. The County will reimburse the Town in the amount of $446,587.00. Need to finalize the agreement with the county.

Motion to accept Sidewalk Inter Municipal Agreement made by, Councilman Moore, seconded by Councilwoman Foley.

Supervisor Craig: Aye

Councilwoman DuFresne: Aye

Councilwoman Foley: Aye

Councilman Moore: Aye

**Supervisor’s Report**

* Memorial Day meet at 8:30am. Service at 10:00am at cemetery. Followed by the parade into Town.
* Congratulations to Eagle Scout Rowan DuBois
* Camp Palatine sign-ups are June 4 & 25th.
* Town Board workshop June 14th at 7:00pm.
* Moving Town Board meeting to June 21st at 7:00pm

Councilwoman DuFresne mentioned the driveway to 146 Main Street is not the same width as before. She also asked what the time frame was on moving the mailboxes along Main Street. Supervisor Craig will discuss.

**Public**

Jerry Smith asked if the Resolution will be on next month’s agenda. Mr. Smith also wanted to know if the comprehensive plan would be on next month’s agenda.

Martin Overington thanked all the 20 volunteers for this year’s 19th annual River Sweep. Thank you to Anthony and his family they drove the truck.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Councilman Moore, seconded by Councilwoman DuFresne, with all in favor and none opposed.

Meeting closed at 7:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,