

January 3, 2017 – Organizational Meeting

The 2017 Organizational Meeting was held this evening at the Gardiner Town Hall at 7 PM. Present were Supervisor Majestic, Councilwoman Walls and Councilman Hinson. Councilmen Dukler & Reynolds were absent. There were 5 audience members also present.

ORGANIZATIONAL RESOLUTIONS
COMPENSATION FOR USE OF AUTOMOBILE

Resolution No. 1- Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Town Law that public officials and employees authorized to use their privately-owned vehicles for official duties shall be reimbursed at the rate of 53.5¢ per mile for the use of their personal vehicles payable upon itemized voucher claim.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

PROCEDURAL ACTS

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

Resolution No. 2 -- Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Section 62 of Town Law, that Regular Meetings of the Town Board during 2017 shall be held on the first and second Tuesday of each month, except for the months of July and August when only one meeting will be held the second Tuesday and for the month of November when the first meeting of the month will be held on the first Thursday, due to a conflict with Election Day, and

Further Resolved, that all meetings shall commence at 7:00 P.M., local time unless otherwise announced.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

2017 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Resolution No. 3 -- Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Town Law, the following schedule of official Holidays for town offices and departments is hereby adopted:

Martin Luther King Day Obs., Mon., Jan. 16

President's Day Obs., Mon., Feb. 20

Good Friday Fri., April 14

Memorial Day, Mon., May 29

Independence Day, Tues., July 4

Labor Day, Mon., Sept. 4

Columbus Day Obs., Mon., Oct 9

Election Day, Tues., Nov 7

Veterans Day, Fri., Nov. 10

Thanksgiving Day, Thurs., Fri., Nov. 23, 24

Christmas Holiday, Mon., Tues., Dec. 25, 26

New Year's Day Mon., Jan. 1, 2018

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

DESIGNATION OF DEPOSITORY

Resolution No. 4 -- Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Section 64 of Town Law, the Town Board of the Town of Gardiner hereby designates to the following banking institutions as official depositories for the Town in accordance with the Investment Policy and other approved agreements:

M&T Bank
Federal Reserve Bank of N.Y.
Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

AUTHORIZING SUPERVISOR TO FILE REPORT TO STATE COMPTROLLER IN LIEU OF ANNUAL REPORT

Resolution No. 5 -- Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Section 29 of Town Law, the Town Board hereby authorizes the Supervisor in lieu of filing an Annual Report as required under Section 29 (10) to file a copy of the Report to the State Comptroller with the Town Clerk as required after the close of the fiscal year, and

Further Resolved, the Town Clerk is hereby directed to publish a notice of said report in the official newspaper.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

COURT CLERK – Christine Palumbo

Resolution No. 6 - Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Town Law, that Christine Palumbo is hereby appointed as part-time court clerk, to be compensated at the rate of \$17.47 per hour to be paid bi-weekly.

Further Resolved, that Christine Palumbo shall be eligible for certain insurance benefits as a full time employee of the Town.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

CLERK TO THE JUSTICE – Christine Palumbo

Resolution No. 7 – Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Town Law, that Christine Palumbo is hereby appointed as part-time clerk of the Justice Court, to be compensated at the rate of \$17.47 per hour to be paid bi-weekly.

Further Resolved, that Christine Palumbo shall be eligible for certain insurance benefits as a full time employee of the Town.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK – Donna Smith

Resolution No. 8 -- Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Section 30 of Town Law, the Town Board hereby concurs with the Town Clerk's appointment of Donna Smith as Deputy Town Clerk to be compensated at the rate of \$17.00 per hour to be paid bi-weekly, and

Further Resolved, that the Deputy Town Clerk shall serve at the pleasure of the Town Clerk and shall enjoy limited powers and duties with respect to issuance of licenses and permits and acceptance of fees and filings on behalf of the Town Clerk during normal business hours.

Further Resolved, that Donna Smith shall be eligible for certain insurance benefits as a full time employee of the Town.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

AUTHORIZING SUPERVISOR TO ENGAGE LEGAL COUNSEL

Resolution No. 9 -- Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Town Law, the Town Supervisor is hereby authorized to engage an Attorney for the Town on a contractual basis in matters of legal counsel and representation on a

case by case basis with all claims for service to be paid by voucher and to serve at the pleasure of the Board, and

Further Resolved, that the following persons or firms are hereby authorized to represent the

Town: Paul T. Kellar, Esq. of Kellar & Kellar & Jaiven, PC

David Brennan, Esq. of Young, Sommer, PC

Larry Wolinsky, Esq. of Jacobowitz & Gubit

David Murphy, Esq. of Hacker & Murphy

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

AUTHORIZING PLANNING BOARD AND ZBA TO ENGAGE LEGAL COUNSEL

Resolution No. 10 -- Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Town Law, the Town Board hereby consents and authorizes the Town Planning Board and Town Zoning Board of Appeals to engage an Attorney, to provide legal opinion and advice in matters pending before these Boards, with all claims for service to be itemized and paid by voucher, and

Further Resolved, that the following person or firms are hereby authorized in such matters to represent the Town Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals:

Paul T. Kellar, Esq. of Kellar & Kellar & Jaiven, PC

David Brennan, Esq. of Young, Sommer PC

Larry Wolinsky, Esq. of Jacobowitz & Gubits

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

AUTHORIZING SUPERVISOR TO ENGAGE PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER

Resolution No. 11 -- Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Town Law, the Town Supervisor and Highway Superintendent are hereby authorized to engage a Professional Engineer for the Town on a contractual basis in matters of professional review of applications which come before the Board, and in matter of public works authorized by the Board, with all claims for services to be paid by itemized voucher,

Further Resolved, that the following persons or firms are hereby authorized to represent the Town:

Morris Associates, Inc.

Mercurio, Norton, Tarolli & Marshall Engineering & Land Surveying

Sterling Environmental Engineering, PC

Hagopian Engineering

Brinnier & Larios, PC

Further Resolved, that the Town Planning Board, as part of the subdivision and site plan review authority is hereby authorized to engage a consulting engineer to be selected by the Planning Board, with the understanding that such technical review services will be reimbursed to the Town by the applicant, with claims subject to audit by the Town Board.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

APPOINTMENT OF CONSULTING ENGINEERS FOR SEWER DISTRICT

Resolution No. 12 -- Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Town Law, the firm of Morris Associates, Inc., Poughkeepsie, N.Y., be and hereby is designated as consulting engineer for the operation of the plant, routine testing and laboratory services, and other professional services associated with the operation and maintenance of the sewer system, and

Further Resolved, that Morris Associates, Inc., is hereby designated licensed operator of the plant and;

Further Resolved, that said professional services shall be billed on an hourly basis to be submitted by voucher claim subject to approval by Supervisor and audit by the Board.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS, SALARIES AND HOW PAID

MUNICIPAL CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER/BUILDING INSPECTOR – Henry Vance

Resolution No. 13 -- Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Section 138 of Town Law, that Henry Vance be and hereby is appointed part-time Town Building Inspector and Code Enforcement Officer of the Town of Gardiner to be compensated with a salary of \$25,992.66 per annum to be paid bi-weekly and said salary does not include allowance for use of his personal automobile for official business and mileage will be paid upon submission of a voucher on a monthly basis, and

Further Resolved, that the Town Building Inspector shall serve at the pleasure of the Supervisor pursuant to Town Law, and

Further Resolved, that Mr. Vance is appointed with the full knowledge and understanding that he shall be required to meet and maintain the qualifications prescribed by the Secretary of State.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

DOG CONTROL OFFICER – Vincent Brognano

Resolution No. 14 -- Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Section 114 of the Agricultural & Markets Law and Chapter 80 of the Municipal Code, that Vincent Brognano be and hereby is appointed part-time Dog Control Officer of the Town of Gardiner, and shall be compensated at the rate of \$17.98 per hour and to serve at the pleasure of the Supervisor, and

Further Resolved, said Dog Control Officer shall be compensated for use of his personal vehicle at a mileage rate to be set by the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor Majestic and carried.

TOWN RECYCLING COORDINATOR – Ethan Ladof

Resolution No. 15 – Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Town Law and other statutes, that Ethan Ladof is hereby appointed to serve as part-time Town Recycling Coordinator, and shall be compensated at the rate of \$17.50 per hour to be paid and to serve at the pleasure of the Board.

Further Resolved, that Ethan Ladof is not eligible for certain insurance benefits as a part-time employee of the Town.

Seconded by Supervisor Majestic and carried.

MUNICIPAL BOOKKEEPER – Darlene Halstead

Resolution No. 16 -- Offered by Supervisor Majestic

Resolved, pursuant to Section 29 of Town Law, the Town Board hereby authorizes and consents to the Supervisor's appointment of Darlene Halstead as Municipal Bookkeeper, a position allocated to the competitive class of the civil service, to receive a salary of \$27.04 per hour.

Further Resolved, that Darlene Halstead has successfully fulfilled the requirements by passing the civil service exam and shall continue to be eligible for certain insurance benefits as a full-time employee of the Town.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

DEPUTY TOWN SUPERVISOR – Laura Walls

Resolution No. 17 – Offered by Councilman Hinson

Whereas, the Town Supervisor has appointed Laura Walls as Deputy Supervisor of the Town of Gardiner pursuant to Section 42 of Town Law, and

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Deputy Supervisor shall serve without compensation.

Seconded by Supervisor Majestic and carried.

SOLE ASSESSOR – Maureen Gallagher

Resolution No. 18 - Offered by Councilwoman Walls

The Town Board hereby authorizes and consents to the appointment of Maureen Gallagher as the Sole Assessor for the Town of Gardiner, to be paid bi-weekly and to be compensated at an hourly rate of \$21.65 per hour to be paid bi-weekly and to serve at the pleasure of the Supervisor. The State Board’s Rules for Real Property Tax Administration requires Maureen Gallagher to meet and maintain minimum qualification standards.

Further Resolved, that Maureen Gallagher shall be eligible for certain insurance benefits as a full time employee of the Town.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

2017 EMPLOYEES, POSITIONS, SALARIES AND WAGES
EMPLOYEE SALARIES AND WAGES (GENERAL FUND)

Resolution No. 19 -- Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Town Law, the following named persons are employed in the position indicated to be compensated at the annual salary or hourly rate indicated for the year 2017, subject to the extent of funds appropriated for said services in the Annual Budget, Town General Fund, according to the following schedule:

| <u>Dept/Position</u> | <u>Person</u> | <u>Salary/Wage</u> | <u>Pay Period</u> |
|--|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| P/T Planning Sec/ P/T ZBA Secretary Registrar of Vital Statistics | Margarete Wagner | \$18.26 | Bi-Weekly |
| P/T Building & Park Custodian | Michelle Mosher | Fee Basis | Monthly |
| P/T Supervisor Assistant | Barbara Kobelt | \$15.76 | Bi-Weekly |
| | Donna Smith | \$17.00 | Bi-Weekly |

Further Resolved, the part-time employees listed above are not eligible for health insurance benefits unless specifically authorized by the Town Board.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

CLERK – HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT (General Fund) – Robin Kaufmann

Resolution No. 20 -- Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Town Law, that Robin Kaufmann is hereby appointed part-time clerk of the Highway Department, to be compensated at the rate of \$17.82 per hour to be paid bi-weekly.

Further resolved, that Robin Kaufmann shall not be eligible for certain insurance benefits as a part time employee of the Town.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

CLERK - BUILDING DEPARTMENT (General Fund) – Jewell Turner

Resolution No. 21 -- Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Town Law, that Jewell Turner is hereby appointed part-time clerk of the Building Department, to be compensated at the rate of \$18.83 per hour to be paid bi-weekly.

Further resolved, that Jewell Turner is not eligible for certain insurance benefits as a part time employee of the Town.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

ASSESSOR FIELDWORKER – Nancy DeStefano

Resolution No. 22 – Offered by Councilwoman Walls

The Town Board hereby authorizes and consents to the appointment of Nancy DeStefano as part time Assessor Fieldworker, to receive a salary of \$16.24 per hour to be paid bi-weekly and to serve at the pleasure of the Assessor.

Further resolved, that Nancy DeStefano shall not be eligible for certain insurance benefits as a part time employee of the Town.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

EMPLOYEES SALARIES AND WAGES (HIGHWAY FUND)

Resolution No. 23 -- Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Town Law, the following positions are hereby established, to be compensated at the hourly rate to be paid bi-weekly indicated for the year 2017, Town Highway Fund, according to the following schedule:

| <u>Position</u> | <u>Employee</u> | <u>Wage</u> |
|--------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Working Supervisor | Thomas Powers | \$24.33hr |
| HMEO | Wayne Otis | \$22.21hr |
| HMEO | George Scofield | \$22.21hr |
| HMEO | Mathew Aube | \$22.21hr |
| HMEO | Terry DePiero | \$22.21hr |
| HMEO | Adam Monteleone | \$22.21hr |
| HMEO | John Lischinsky | \$22.21hr |
| HMEO | Kyle Fletcher | \$22.21/hr |

Further Resolved that all overtime pay will be one and one half of regular pay and,

Further Resolved, that those persons regularly employed on a full-time basis (40 hours per week) shall be entitled to health insurance benefits and other benefits as stipulated in the union contract.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

SALARIES OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

Resolution No. 24 - Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Town Law, the annual salaries for elected Town Officials of the Town of Gardiner in the year 2017 are hereby set as follows:

| <u>Position</u> | <u>Salary/Wage</u> | <u>Pay Period</u> |
|-----------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Town Supervisor | \$39,614 | Bi-Weekly |
| Councilperson | \$ 5265 each | Bi-Weekly |

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|----------------------------|---------------|-----------|
| Town Justice | \$14,500 each | Bi-Weekly |
| Town Clerk/Tax Collector | \$54,912 | Bi-Weekly |
| Superintendent of Highways | \$57,235 | Bi-Weekly |

Further Resolved, that the Supervisor, Town Clerk and Superintendent of Highways shall be entitled to certain health insurance.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

MUTUAL AID - HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Resolution No. 25 -- Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, the Town Highway Superintendent is authorized to make mutual aid agreements in accordance with the New York State Highway Law with surrounding Town and County Highway Departments, Fire Departments and Police Agencies.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

ESTABLISHMENT OF PETTY CASH FUND FOR TAX COLLECTOR

Resolution No. 26 – Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, that the Town Board authorizes the establishment of a petty cash fund in the amount of \$100 for the purposes of making change during the tax collection season.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

RETURN CHECK CHARGE

Resolution No. 27 – Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Section 85 of the General Municipal Law that a \$20 charge be imposed on each check tendered and returned for insufficient funds.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

DEPOSITS IN INTEREST BEARING ACCOUNTS

Resolution No. 28 – Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Section 11, General Municipal Law, the town board authorizes the tax collector to deposit, as a temporary investment measure, all tax collections in an interest bearing account.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

AUTHORIZING BID OPENINGS

Resolution No. 29 – Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Section 103(2) of the General Municipal Law, the town board authorizes the Town Clerk to receive and the Town Supervisor or in his/her absence the Deputy Town Supervisor to open competitive bids on public works and purchase contract that are required to be advertised.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

CHAIRMAN OF THE PLANNING BOARD – Michael Boylan

Resolution No. 30 – Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Section 272 of Town Law, that Michael Boylan be and hereby is appointed as Chairman of the Planning Board of the Town of Gardiner who shall serve without additional compensation until the first day of January of the next year in accordance with Town Law. Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

CHAIRMAN OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS – Michael Beck

Resolution No. 31 – Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Section 267 of Town Law, that Michael Beck be and hereby is appointed as Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Gardiner who shall serve without additional compensation until the first day of January of the next year in accordance with Town Law.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS

Resolution No. 32 – Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Section 64 of Town Law, the Town Board hereby designates the Times Herald Record as the official newspaper for the purpose of legal advertising.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

STANDARD WORK DAY – RETIREMENT

Resolution No. 33 - Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Be It Resolved, that the Town of Gardiner hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Retirement System based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the clerk of the body.

| Title | standard work day | Term |
|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Supervisor | 7hrs/5 days | 01/01/16-12/31/17 |
| Town Clerk/ Tax Collector | 7 hrs/5 days | 01/01/14-12/31/17 |
| Town Justice | 6 hrs/5 days | 01/01/14-12/31/17 |
| Town Justice | 6 hrs/5 days | 01/01/16-12/31/19 |
| Town Board | 6 hrs/5 days | 01/01/16-12/31/19 |
| Town Board | 6 hrs/5 days | 01/01/14-12/31/17 |

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|--------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| Hwy Superintendent | 8 hrs/ 5 days | 01/01/16- 12/31/17 |
| Assessor | 7 hrs/5 days | N/A |

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

APPOINTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES OFFICER – Marybeth Majestic

Resolution No. 34-- Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Town Law and other statutes, that Marybeth Majestic, be and hereby is appointed Social Services Officer for the Town of Gardiner and is authorized to administer Home Relief programs and perform such other duties as the Board may prescribe, and to serve at the pleasure of the Board.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

DEPUTY SOCIAL SERVICES OFFICER – Darlene Halstead

Resolution No. 35-- Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Town Law and other statutes, that Darlene Halstead, be and hereby is appointed Deputy Social Services Officer for the Town of Gardiner and is authorized to administer Home Relief programs and perform such other duties as the Board may prescribe, and to serve at the pleasure of the Board.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

ULSTER COUNTY PLANNING BOARD MEMBER – Linda Geary

Resolution No. 36 – Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Section C-49(A) of the Ulster County charter and Section A7-5(A) of the Administration Code, the Ulster County Legislature appoints members of the Ulster County Planning Board, and

The Town Board hereby authorizes and consents to the appointment of Linda Geary as Ulster County Planning Board representative for the Town of Gardiner.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

ULSTER COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL – Marybeth Majestic

Resolution No. 37 – Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, The Town Board hereby authorizes and consents to the appointment of Marybeth Majestic as Ulster County Transportation Council representative for the Town of Gardiner.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK – Christine Palumbo

Resolution No. 38 – Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Section 30 of Town Law, the Town Board hereby concurs with the Town Clerk's appointment of Deputy Town Clerk who shall serve without compensation and shall enjoy limited powers and duties with respect to issuance of licenses and permits and acceptance of fees and filings on behalf of the Town Clerk during normal business hours, and Further resolved, that Christine Palumbo is hereby named Deputy Town Clerk.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

DEPUTY HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT –Thomas Power

Resolution No. 39 – Deputy Highway Superintendent – Offered by Councilwoman Walls Resolved, that the Board concurs with the Superintendent of Highways appointment of Thomas Power as Deputy Superintendent of Highways for the Town of Gardiner pursuant to Town Law Section 7-15 and to serve at the pleasure of the Superintendent of Highways and without additional compensation.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

COMPENSATION FOR BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW

Resolution No. 40-- Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Section 523 of Real Property Tax Law, those persons serving as members of the Board of Assessment Review who attend 2017 Grievance Day procedures and subsequent deliberations shall be compensated at the rate of \$11.69 per hour.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

COURT OFFICER – Heidi Thorban

Resolution No. 41 -- Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Section 20 of Town Law, that Heidi Thorbahn is hereby appointed as part-time Court Officer in the Town Justice Court, to be compensated at the rate of \$17.06 per hour to be paid, bi-weekly, and

Further Resolved, that she shall serve at the pleasure of this Board pursuant to Town Law and other statutes.

Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

TOWN HISTORIAN – A J Schenkman

Resolution No. 42 -- Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, that the Board concurs with the Town Supervisor’s appointment of A J Schenkman as Town Historian for the Town of Gardiner to serve without compensation and at the pleasure of the Supervisor. Seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried.

YEAR-END REVIEW

Supervisor Majestic reviewed the accomplishments of the Town Board for this year.

Rebuilt the front entryway, eliminated the rotten wood and replaced the door with a high grade commercial door. Modified the front stairway to make it safer, installed gutters around the belfry to redirect water from the front entry, sealed and striped the parking lot.

Staffed all committees – appointments were made to the Planning Board, the Parks & Recreation Committee and the Environmental Conservation Committee with each appointment representing our communities diverse nature. The Town Board is currently working with members of the Parks & Recreation Committee giving them authorization to do what is needed at Majestic Park and other Town parklands.

Working on improving and increasing the communication between the various town boards and the public by making minutes available to all on line.

Appointed a community member to represent the Town of Gardiner to the Ulster County Planning Board.

Appointed a new Transfer Station Attendant who is doing a great job.

Entered into a Shared Services agreement with the Town of Shawangunk to use our kennel for boarding during the cold weather months.

Worked diligently to gather and compile financial details for negotiations with the Union regarding the Collective Bargaining agreement by creating pro-forma's that will help with this negotiation as well as future negotiations.

Passed a budget, and while doing so has laid the groundwork for multi-budgeting plans for years to come.

Repaired the Salt Shed up at the Town Highway Garage.

Adopted a law to increase the term of the Highway Superintendent from 2 years to 4 years.

Adopted the Subdivision/Parkland Law where the town will now default to developers paying a fee per lot rather than donating parkland to the town

The Town Board has collaborated with members of the Planning Board and Environmental Conservation Committee to fast track a draft Solar Law. We are currently waiting to hear back from the attorney on the draft law proposed.

Brought the community together and recognized the talents and generosity of our residents and business with the Rockefeller Center Christmas tree project. Supervisor Majestic secured a few pieces of wood from the actual tree and a local artist made a beautiful, unique wooden sculpture that now hangs in the lobby of the Town Hall. A local business donated the time and labor to make Christmas ornaments out of the remaining wood for Friends of the Gardiner Library.

Profits from the sale of the ornaments will go to the Library and Fire Departments. This was a fun project for Supervisor Majestic that she truly enjoyed.

GOALS FOR 2017

Supervisor Majestic also stated what her goals are for 2017.

Revise the Entertainment Law with input from festival organizers to protect the citizens of Gardiner while making the law more manageable for the Festival organizers.

Revise the Ethics Law and re-establish the Ethics Committee

Repair the pavilion at Majestic Park and work on completing the Pole Barn with the redirected \$50,000 grant initially earmarked for parking near the ball field at the Town Hall.

Wash and Paint and make the necessary repairs to the Town Hall set up a maintenance schedule for the town hall as well as other town owned properties for the future.

Address the bridge on Clove Road, with grant money requested from Bridge NY program., Recipients are to be announced on January 17th.

Hire a bookkeeper's assistant to help with bank reconciliations and processing vouchers for claims and with other duties as they present themselves.

Councilwoman Walls is pleased with the strides on the claim processing and multiyear budgeting.

Councilman Hinson is glad to see that the \$50,000 grant for the ball field parking is being re-directed.

PASSING OF ZBA MEMBER

Zoning Board of Appeals member Paul Schwartzberg has passed away after a long illness. His legal expertise was vital to the Board and he created many of the written decisions. He will be missed both personally and professionally.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilwoman Walls, seconded by Councilman Hinson and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:42 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle L. Mosher
Town Clerk