

TOWN OF BEEKMAN TOWN BOARD
Minutes for Tuesday January 21st, 2025

The Town of Beekman Board met for a regular TOWN BOARD meeting on Tuesday January 21st, 2025. The meeting was called to order by Deputy Supervisor Wohrman at 6:00PM. The following members were present: Councilman Capollari, Councilman Battaglini and Councilwoman Wohrman.

Also present were the Town Clerk Laureen Abbatantuono.

Deputy Supervisor Wohrman led the Pledge of Allegiance. Deputy Supervisor Wohrman pointed out the emergency exits and called for a moment of silence for all those who have served our Country.

Town Board members read the Resolutions

Public Comments on the agenda: NONE

Public Comments: Bill Crain 254 Gardner Hollow Road asks the Town Board on insight on why they voted NO on one of the agenda items. Bill also made comment on why the comprehensive plan still isn't uploaded onto the website.

Deputy Supervisor Wohrman made a motion adjourn the Town Board meeting at 6:24PM, Seconded by Councilman Capollari, All in Favor, AYE.

Respectfully Submitted by Town Clerk
Laureen Abbatantuono

**BEEKMAN TOWN BOARD
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
JANUARY 21, 2025**

6:00 PM

- Meeting called to order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Administrative Announcement--Fire Exits

TOWN BOARD MEETING

- Supervisor Comments
- Monthly Reports
- Public Comment on Agenda Items and Resolutions (3-Minute Limit)

RESOLUTIONS

1. Accept September 24, 2024 Minutes -**PULLED**

2. Accept September 30, 2024 Minutes-**PULLED**
3. Accept October 8, 2024 Minutes-**PULLED**
4. Accept October 22, 2024 Minutes-**PULLED**
5. Accept November 6, 2024 Minutes-**PULLED**
6. Accept December 30, 2024 Minutes-**PULLED**
7. Accept January 8, 2025 Minutes-**PULLED**
8. Accept January 13, 2025 Minutes-**PULLED**
9. Renew Payroll Services with PAYCHEX
10. Appoint Town Prosecutor for the Year 2025
11. Retain Special Counsel Attorneys to the Town for the Year 2025
12. Approve Entertainment for Summer Concerts for 2025
13. Approve Encumbrances for Fiscal Year End 2024
14. Approve Schreck for Maintenance Contract
15. Approve Renewal of Video Contract with Video Ventures
16. Revising the Funding for the Town Hall Salt Shed Capital Project
17. Create a Capital Project for the Recreation Park Capital Improvements
18. Revise Funding for Town Center Park Improvements Project
19. Revise Funding for the Rec Swim Pond Capital Project
20. Revise Funding for the Doherty Park Improvement Capital Project
21. Payment of Claims

- Other Town Board Business
- General Town Board Comments
- Public Comments (3-Minute Limit)
- **Next Regular Town Board Meeting: Tuesday, February 11, 2025 at 6:00 PM**

ADJOURN

RESOLUTION NO. 01:21:25-1 (PULLED)

RE: ACCEPTANCE OF PAST TOWN BOARD MINUTES

RESOLUTION NO. 01:21:25-2 (PULLED)

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RESOLUTION NO. 01:21:25-3 (PULLED)

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RESOLUTION NO. 01:21:25-4 (PULLED)

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RESOLUTION NO. 01:21:25-5 (PULLED)

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RESOLUTION NO. 01:21:25-6 (PULLED)
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RESOLUTION NO. 01:21:25-7 (PULLED)
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RESOLUTION NO. 01:21:25-8 (PULLED)
RE: ACCEPTANCE OF PAST TOWN BOARD MINUTES

WHEREAS, Town Clerk Laureen Abbatantuono has provided copies of the minutes of the January 13, 2025 Special Town Board Meeting to all members of the Beekman Town Board; and

WHEREAS, Town Board members have had the opportunity to review said minutes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby accepts the minutes of the January 13, 2025 Special Town Board Meeting.

Introduced:

Seconded:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari

Councilman Battaglini

Councilman Lemak

Councilwoman Wohrman

Supervisor Covucci

Dated: January 21, 2025

**RESOLUTION NO. 01:21:25-9
RE: PAYROLL SERVICES WITH PAYCHEX**

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Beekman has determined that it is wise, expedient and in the best interests of the Town to continue to contract with PAYCHEX to perform the Town's Timekeeping and to transparently process all the Town employees time for all payroll services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor to take all steps necessary to continue the agreement with PAYCHEX as per attached.

Introduced: COUNCILMAN CAPELLARI

Seconded: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	AYE
Councilman Lemak	ABSENT
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	ABSENT

Dated: January 21, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 01:21:25-10
RE: APPOINT TOWN PROSECUTOR FOR THE YEAR 2025

WHEREAS, the Beekman Town Board appoints a Town Prosecutor to prosecute zoning violations as well as certain traffic and vehicular violations in our local court; and

WHEREAS, a proposal for terms of employment as Town Prosecutor has been received for the year 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby accepts the proposal dated January 1, 2025 from Paul Ackermann, esq., 35 LaGrange Avenue, Poughkeepsie, New York, 10603 to serve as the Town of Beekman Prosecutor at a fee of \$8,400.00 annually for monthly court sessions in which the various summonses will be prosecuted in addition to the terms and conditions outlined in the attached contract; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to execute a contract of employment between the Town of Beekman and the Paul Ackermann, esq. as attached, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all requests for reimbursement pursuant to this agreement shall be set forth in a signed and itemized voucher audited and approved by the Town of Beekman Board as required by law.

Introduced: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

Seconded: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	AYE
Councilman Lemak	ABSENT
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	ABSENT

Dated: January 21, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 01:21:25-11 (DID NOT PASS)

RE: RESOLUTION TO RETAIN SPECIAL COUNSEL ATTORNEYS TO THE TOWN

WHEREAS, Wallace & Wallace, LLP, the Legal Counsel to the Town of Beekman cannot represent the Town in certain instances; and

WHEREAS, the Town has received an engagement letter from Catania, Mahon & Rider, PLLC to represent the Town of Beekman when requested,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Catania, Mahon & Rider, PLLC with offices at 641 Broadway, Newburgh, New York 12550 be, and hereby is employed and retained to represent the Town of Beekman when requested; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Supervisor to execute the engagement letter dated January 1, 2025, submitted to the Supervisor, a copy of which is annexed hereto; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Catania, Mahon & Rider, PLLC shall be paid in accordance with the engagement letter submitted to the Supervisor dated January 1, 2025.

Introduced: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN

Seconded: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	NAY
Councilman Battaglini	AYE
Councilman Lemak	ABSENT
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	ABSENT

Dated: January 21, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 01:21:25-12

RE: APPROVE ENTERTAINMENT FOR BAND CONCERTS AT TOWN CENTER PARK

WHEREAS, the 2025 Recreation Budget includes funding for entertainment for events for the summer months, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following expenditures be approved for live music performances as follows:

5/16/25	The Crew	\$500
6/27/25	Way Behind the Sun	\$500 (at Rec Park)
7/18/25	That Clique	\$600
8/1/25	GenXtra Band	\$300

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all the events will take place at the Town Center Park Pavilion beginning at 6:00 PM, with the exception of 6/27/25 to be held at Rec Park.

Introduced: COUNCILMAN CAPELLARI

Seconded: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	AYE
Councilman Lemak	ABSENT
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	ABSENT

Dated: January 21, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 01:21:25-13
RE: APPROVE ENCUMBRANCES FOR FISCAL YEAR END 2024

WHEREAS, the Town of Beekman has approved agreements or commitments unperformed for goods or services at year end December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, these are Official Encumbrances according to GAAP, not expenditures payable, but they represent the estimated amounts of obligations ultimately for expenditures in 2025 and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman hereby approves the following Encumbrances for Year End December 31, 2024:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Expense Account</u>	<u>Estimate</u>
Town Code Update	A-1410-0451	\$ 7,000
New Phone System	A-1620-0200	\$10,000
New Fuel System	A-1640-0400	\$40,000
Consulting Study	A-1640-0400	\$10,000
Parks Shed	A-7111-0200	<u>\$15,000</u>
General Fund Total		<u><u>\$82,000</u></u>
Hwy Tanker Truck	DA-5130-0200	<u>\$55,000</u>
Highway Fund Total		<u><u>\$55,000</u></u>

Introduced: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

Seconded: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	AYE
Councilman Lemak	ABSENT
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	ABSENT

Dated: January 21, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 01:21:25-14
RE: APPROVE RENEWAL OF CONTRACT WITH H.A. SCHRECK INC.

WHEREAS, H.A. Schreck Inc. currently provides a Service Contract for the generators for the Dover Ridge Sewer Plant, Lift Station and Water Plant;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to sign the attached contract for the year 2025 beginning in February 2025 thru February 2026, in the amounts not to exceed as follows:

Level 1	\$585
Level 2	\$480

Level 1 parts	\$300
Mileage	\$20.

Introduced: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN

Seconded: COUNCILMAN CAPOLLARI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	AYE
Councilman Lemak	ABSENT
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	ABSENT

Dated: January 21, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 01:21:25-15

RE: EXTENDING VIDEO VENTURES LTD. CONTRACT FOR WEB CASTING SERVICES

WHEREAS, Video Ventures, LTD. has filmed; recorded and posted the Town of Beekman's Town Board Meetings online and, when needed the Planning Board Meetings and ZBA Meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Town's contract with Video Ventures is set to expire on December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Video Ventures, LTD. has submitted a renewal agreement for an additional two (2) years of service in the amount of \$250 per meeting to be considered by the Town Board;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to renew the Town's contract with Video Ventures LTD. to record and webcast Beekman Town Meetings thru December 31, 2026 as attached hereto.

Introduced: COUNCILMAN CAPOLLARI

Seconded: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	AYE
Councilman Lemak	ABSENT
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	ABSENT

Dated: January 21, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 01:21:25-16
RE: RESOLUTION REVISING THE FUNDING FOR THE TOWN SALT SHED CAPITAL PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Town Board previously approved the Funding for the Capital Project for the Salt Shed Improvements in Resolution No. 12:11:24-3, and

WHEREAS, the Town has determined revised Funding sources for the Salt Shed Capital Project,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman approves the funding sources of \$262,500 for the Salt Shed Improvement Capital Project

with \$200,000 use of ARPA Funds and \$62,500 transfer from the General Fund Capital Account.

Introduced: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

Seconded: COUNCILMAN CAPOLLARI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	AYE
Councilman Lemak	ABSENT
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	ABSENT

Dated: January 21, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 01:21:25-17

**RE: RESOLUTION CREATING A CAPITAL PROJECT FOR THE RECREATION CENTER
PARK IMPROVEMENTS**

WHEREAS, the Town of Beekman Town Board is planning to make Capital Improvements to the Recreation Center Park, and

WHEREAS, the Town has approved a contract to resurface the Basketball Complex at the Park for \$34,950;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman hereby approves the creation of the Recreation Center Park Improvements Capital Project Fund with an initial transfer of \$100,000 from the General Fund Capital Account.

Introduced: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN

Seconded: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	AYE
Councilman Lemak	ABSENT
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	ABSENT

Dated: January 21, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 01:21:25-18
RE: RESOLUTION REVISING THE FUNDING FOR THE TOWN CENTER PARK
IMPROVEMENT CAPITAL PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Beekman previously revised the funding for the Town Center Park Improvements in Resolution 12:11:24-12; and

WHEREAS, the Town has determined the new funding sources for the Capital Project Fund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman hereby approves the funding of \$200,000 for the Town Center Park improvements Capital Project Fund with \$180,000 use of ARPA Funds and \$20,000 Transfer In from General Fund Capital Account.

Introduced: COUNCILMAN CAPOLLARI

Seconded: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	AYE
Councilman Lemak	ABSENT
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	ABSENT

Dated: January 21, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 01:21:25-19

**RE: RESOLUTION REVISING THE FUNDING FOR THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO
THE REC CENTER SWIM POND**

WHEREAS, the Town of Beekman previously approved revised funding for the Rec Center Swim Pond Capital Project in Resolution No. 11:19:24-7, and

WHEREAS, the Town has determined new funding sources for the Capital Project,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman hereby approves the funding of \$250,000 for the Rec Center Swim Pond Improvements Capital Project with \$153,585 use of ARPA Funds, \$50,000 Grant and Transfer In of \$46,415 from the General Fund Capital Account.

Introduced: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

Seconded: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	AYE
Councilman Lemak	ABSENT
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	ABSENT

Dated: January 21, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 01:21:25-20
RE: RESOLUTION REVISING THE FUNDING FOR THE DOHERTY PARK
IMPROVEMENT CAPITAL PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Town of Beekman Town Board previously approved the increased funding for Doherty Park Improvement Capital Project Fund in Resolution 12:11:24-10, and

WHEREAS, the Town has determined new funding sources for the Capital Project Fund,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman hereby approves funding of \$300,000 for the Capital Project with \$142,000 use of ARPA Funds and \$158,000 Transfer In from General Fund Capital Account.

Introduced: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN

Seconded: COUNCILMAN CAPOLLARI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	AYE
Councilman Lemak	ABSENT
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	ABSENT

Dated: January 21, 2025

**RESOLUTION NO. 01:21:25-21
RE: PAYMENT OF CLAIMS**

WHEREAS, the Bookkeeper has audited and approved claims pursuant to Sect. 119 of Town Law as set forth in the attached abstracts; be it

RESOLVED, that the payment, therefore, is hereby authorized as follows:

Claims to be paid from the A-General Fund	\$ 214,385.72
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Claims to be paid from the DA-Highway Fund	\$ 135,272.30
Claims to be paid from the SS-Dover Ridge Sewer	\$ 441.80
Claims to be paid from the SW-Dover Ridge Water	\$ 8,610.00
Claims to be paid from the T-Trust & Agency Fund	\$ 2,883.58
Claims to be paid from the H-Capital Fund	<u>\$ 829.00</u>
	<u><u>\$ 362,422.40</u></u>

01/16/2025 Payroll #2

General Fund	\$ 44,060.84
Highway Fund	<u>\$ 30,962.95</u>
	<u><u>\$ 75,023.79</u></u>

Introduced: COUNCILMAN CAPOLLARI

Seconded: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	AYE
Councilman Lemak	ABSENT
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	ABSENT

Dated: January 21, 2025