

**Town of Shandaken  
County of Ulster  
State of New York**

**The Town of Shandaken Town Board conducted a Regular Monthly Meeting on Monday September 14, 2020. Shandaken Town Hall. 7209 Rt. 28 Shandaken, NY- 7pm**

**Call to Order  
Pledge of Allegiance  
Roll Call**

**Members Present**  
**Robert A. Stanley – Supervisor**  
**Kyle R. Steen - Board Member**  
**Peter DiSclafani – Board Member**  
**Kevin VanBlarcum – Board Member**  
**Faye Storms – Board Member**

**Recording Secretary**                      **Joyce Grant - Town Clerk**

**On a Stanley/Storms motion the Town Board unanimously approved the minutes of the previous meeting as submitted by the Town Clerk.**



**Town of Shandaken Town Board  
Regular Monthly Meeting Agenda  
Monday, September 14, 2020**

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3. Roll Call**
- 4. Approval of previous T/B Meeting minutes**
- 5. Supervisor's Financial Report**
- 6. Communications -**
  - a. **Climate Smart Resiliency** – UC Cornell Coop Ext. – Melinda Herzog & Brent Gotsch
  - b. **Aaron Bennett** – Little League Baseball for Fall
- 7. Committee Reports:**
  - a. *Ambulance*
  - b. *Building/Zoning*
  - c. *Police*
  - d. *Phoenicia Water*
  - e. *Pine Hill Water*
  - f. *Museum*
  - g. *Recreation*
  - h. *Shandaken Septic*
- 8. Public Comments on Resolutions**
- 9. Motions:**
- 10. Resolutions:**
  - 81. Pay All Bills**
  - 82. Parks and Recreation – Accept Bids for Park Benches**
    - a. 10 – 8 foot All-Weather Picnic Tables for various parks
  - 83. Town Board – Appoint Police Reform Collaborative**
    - a. Kevin Van Blarcum (Town Board), Chad Storey (Town Police Chief), W. James McGrath (Town Police Commission), Wendy Lockwood (Town Court Clerk), Crystal Wei (Mt. Tremper), Michelle Spark (Mt. Tremper), Elizabeth Potter (Phoenicia), Syed Shahzad Adil Shah,

(Phoenicia), Charles Perez (Big Indian), Joshua Brown (Pine Hill),  
Manuela Jean-Pierre (Pine Hill)

**84. Town Board – Authorize Contract with Engineer for Planning Board**

a. Milone & MacBroom, SEQR Reviews

**85. Town Board – No Campaign Signs prior to Columbus Day**

a. *Monday, October 12, 2020*

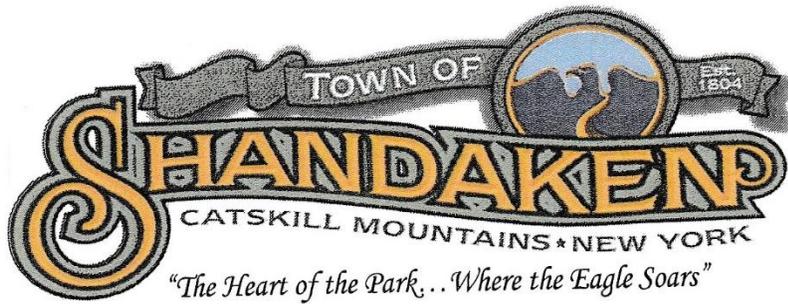
**86. Highway – Purchase Vehicle – Firetruck for Culverts**

**11. Open Public Comment**

**12. Meeting Adjournment - *IN MEMORY OF:***

*Virgil "Stubby" Curtis, Jr.*

*Jeffrey Jacobson*



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Police: (845) 688-9902  
Town Clerk: (845) 688-5004  
Justice Court: (845) 688-5005  
Assessor: (845) 688-5003  
ZBA/ZEO/Planning: (845) 688-5008  
Highway: (845) 688-9901  
Fax: (845) 688-2041

P.O. Box 134, 7209 Rte. 28, Shandaken, NY 12480

## Upcoming Town Board Topics & Activity MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2020

**SHANDAKEN SEPTIC DISTRICT:** Just to give an update and some information for next month's meeting regarding the Septic Maintenance District in Shandaken. Work has been completed on 24 of the approximately 52 systems within the district. This work has all been paid for through the Block Grant provided by the NYC DEP through the CWC. By next month we hope to transfer funds from the remaining Block Grant to the District and will be creating a Budget to move forward with work proposed for next spring on four remote sites as well as start on general maintenance of the District moving forward. In order to do so we will be contracting with Lamont Engineering and Young & Sommer for the construction oversight and legal work necessary to complete the work and assist in contracting for future maintenance. The Septic Maintenance District will be a new page for the Town Budget but will not include any revenue from taxes to support the District as we will have enough money in the Block Grant to continue maintenance well into the future of the District.

**POLICE & JUSTICE:** We have a resolution tonight to appoint a Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative. This Collaborative is mandated under an Executive Order from Governor Cuomo for our community to look at the current status of policing activities and oversight of officers within our Town of Shandaken Police Department. The group will consist of Town Police and Justice personnel as well as several citizens who have shown an interest. As soon as the Collaborative decides on meeting dates and times we will post them accordingly. The Collaborative, under the Executive Order is to derive a Plan which will include a Public Hearing, once in Draft form, and must be submitted to the Town Board for Adoption prior to April 1, 2021. The creation and Adoption of this Plan allows us to continue to apply for grant funding opportunities essential for the continuing operation of our Police Department.

**PLANNING BOARD:** The Planning Board has recently been presented with a number of projects that may require in depth Environmental Reviews. They have asked to utilize services offered by the Town Engineering firm of Milone and MacBroom who has and is still working with us on multiple other projects throughout the Town. The resolution tonight simply allows us to enter into an addendum agreement to provide the Planning Board the services from their Environmental Review Office.

**MISC. :** We have a resolution to accept bids for new picnic tables throughout all of our Town Parks which have fallen into serious disrepair. We also have our annual resolution requesting that Campaign signage for the fall election not be displayed until after Columbus Day. Again, this resolution is a simply a request but is not a requirement of law. Additionally, and with the Board's permission I would like to add a

resolution which was brought to my attention earlier regarding the purchase of a vehicle for the Highway Department. They are in need of a vehicle to help them cleaning out culverts throughout the Town and are seeking to purchase a 1992 International Fire Truck from the Phoenicia Fire District for \$12,000, which is well within his budget for this Fiscal Year.

**Our next regular meeting is scheduled for  
Monday, October 5, 2020 at 7:00 pm.**



**Town of Shandaken  
Ambulance Service**  
**"Committed to Care In the Heart of the Catskills"**

## **August 2020 Report**

TOTAL CALLS RECEIVED - 31

MUTUAL AID GIVEN- 2

RECEIVED – 0

The month of August ushered in a relative return to normalcy in regards to our number of emergency calls, as well as the return to activities and details that were otherwise delayed secondary to the pandemic for the Ambulance Service. Employee activities such as negotiations committee, equipment committee, and vehicle replacement committee have all kicked back into high gear- of course taking into account social distancing, and precautions to protect our fellow responders and public alike. Expect to see much advancement in our capabilities secondary to many of these tasks being able to be fulfilled.

The best news- we have had zero calls involving individuals that potentially had the COVID-19 virus this past month.

One bit of troubling news that goes along with our increased call volume, however, is that we have seen an incredible uptick in our mountain rescue calls as of late. As it is wonderful to see so many people out enjoying the peaks and trails we have here in Shandaken, many embark on such treks woefully unprepared. Lately, it seems that every weekend we find ourselves as EMS, along with many other Emergency Service providers, hiking miles into the woods to locate injured or lost hikers – many of whom have very little business being where they are rescued.

For those that have not followed, are unaware of our local history, are visitors, or are new to the area- we do not have unlimited and dispensable resources. When this happens it quite literally binds up four or more local Volunteer Fire Departments, the only Ambulance service available for 120 square miles, multiple police agencies, DEC Rangers, and several other very finite resources up to and including State Police Aviation and Medevac units for hours. The latest call just this past weekend took approximately 8 hours, and an incident last weekend took the same amount of time. When you make a poor decision, others in Town are potentially unable to receive help while we are committed to that poor decision- on top of the tens of thousands of dollars in expenditure for manpower and equipment to remedy your kerfuffle that is quite literally on the local taxpayers' shoulders.

If you are not experienced or prepared for the worst, rethink your weekend plans to hike some of the most challenging terrain in New York State. Come prepared- research the terrain, understand your own physical limits, have the right gear and nourishment, have a worst case scenario plan, and if you are in doubt DO NOT ENTER THE TRAILS. We commend your desire to trek our forever wild peaks, however do so diligently- considering our finite resources. That decision alone may save a life, or even your own.

Stay safe out there,

*Richard Muellerleile*  
*Chief of Department*

Vehicle	Ending	Beginning	Total
7850	20605	19322	1217
7851	101365	101211	154
625	91560	90059	1501
626	61202	60345	857

**COVID 19 RESOURCES-**

**Ulster County COVID-19 Dashboard-** <https://covid19.ulstercountyny.gov>

**Center for Disease Control-** <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus>

**COVID-19 Dashboard by the Center for Systems Science and Engineering at Johns Hopkins University-** <https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/map.html>

BUILDING/ZONING/PLANNING					
MONTHLY REPORT					
<i>August 2020</i>					
DEPARTMENT CALLS					
BUILDING QUESTIONS					
ZONING QUESTIONS					
FLOODPLAIN QUESTIONS					
BUILDING PERMITS	22				
DEMOLITION PERMITS					
FLOODPLAIN PERMITS	2				
BUILDING INSPECTIONS	40				
FIRE INSPECTIONS					
CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY	3				
CERTIFICATES OF COMPLIANCE	3				
REQUEST FOR RESEARCH					
STOP WORK					
VIOLATIONS					
INCOME	4,780 <sup>00</sup>				

Proposed 2020 fee schedule

Application/Permit	Cost valuation plus CO fee	.50 SF Res	.55 SF Com	Deck
Building Permit	Cost valuation plus CO fee			40 SF
Fine for Working w/o Permit	\$250.			300*
Fence Permit	\$45. Includes CC (Certificate of Compliance)			75°
Alternative Heating Appliance Permit	\$65. Includes CC			100**
Demolition Permit	\$70 Includes CC			120**
Sign Permit	\$70. Includes CC			100**
Logging Permit	\$100.			125**
Floodplain	\$100.			125**
Special Permit	\$100. plus Certified Mailing Fee			150**
Subdivision	\$110.00			150**
Lot Line Adjustment	\$50. Per line			100**
Area Variance	\$50 1 <sup>st</sup> , \$25 Each Add. plus Certified Mailing Fee			100**
Use Variance	\$100. plus Certified Mailing Fee			125**
Manufactured/Mobile Home	\$175. Plus foundation cost			225**
	(Engineer - Contractor must be certified).			
Certificate of Occupancy	\$25.			50**
Certificate of Compliance	\$15.			25**
Municipal Search Request	\$25.			75**
Fire Inspections	\$25.			25**
Appliance Permits(Heating, Hot H2O)	\$15.			25**
Roofing Permits 50%	\$25.			50**
Operating Permit(assembly, hazardous)	\$50. Yearly		inc cc	100**
Alarm* Permit	\$20. One time			35**
False Alarm Fines	1 <sup>st</sup> offense per year.			
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Offense \$50			100**
	3 <sup>rd</sup> & all after - \$200			250**
*Any Alarms that directly contact a responding agency				

Building Permit Renewal one year only \$ 50.00  
 AFTER SECOND YEAR 1/3 of original fee

Director's Report August 202

The Shandaken Historical museum had 58 visitors this month.

We continue to follow NYS Guidelines for the Covid 19 Pandemic.

We continue to post on the Facebook group page "You know you grew up in Shandaken if..."and now" Thanks "to Joyce Grant, we can post on the town's Facebook page as well. This has been successful in reaching more potential visitors. People are sending postcards and photos ,as well as requests for searches of peoples and properties. The more people we reach the more research is requested.

We are hopeful that these outbreaks of Covid 19 will soon come to an end , possibly with a vaccine.....and we all can resume living our lives without worry.

Kathleen Myers\Director

**Supervisor Report August 2020  
Revenues**

Police Fees	\$45.00
Medical Insurance Reimbursement	\$190.22
Ambulance Fees	\$14,040.44
Town Clerk Fees/EZ Pass/Conservation	\$92.50
Cell Tower/Doctor's Office Rental	\$2,300.73
Justice Fees	\$6,217.00
Building Permit Fees	\$3,253.00
Dog Licenses	\$59.00
U.C. Interest	\$326.36
Planning Fees	\$300.00
Misc Rev/Unclassified Revenue	\$83.32
Registrar fees	\$230.00
Refuse & Garbage	\$235.20
Phoenicia H2O Rents	\$14,000.00
Pine Hill H2O Rents	\$9,000.00
Highway	\$25.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$50,397.77</b>



# SHANDAKEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Post Office Box 134  
Shandaken, New York 12480  
845-688-9902 . 845-688-9748(b) . 845-688-5332(f)  
CHIEF OF POLICE CHAD STOREY chief@shandakenpolice.org

## August 2020 Monthly Report

INCIDENT TYPE	NUMBER
911 Misdia/No Voice/Abandoned	7
Accident PIAA/PDAA	11
Alarm Burglary	4
Animal Complaint/Investigation	3
Assault	2
Assist EMS/Fire	9
Civil	2
Community Oriented Policing Project	7
Criminal Contempt	1
Criminal Mischief	4
Disabled Vehicle	6
Dispute	8
Domestic Dispute	3
Encon Violation	1
Erratic Vehicle	2
Fraud/Larceny	2
Harassment	3
Lock Out	3
Lost/Missing Person	2
Noise Complaint	2
Property Check	150
Road Hazard	1
School Check	11
Shots Fired	2
Suicide/Attempted Suicide	1
Suspicious Activity	1
Traffic Stop	21
Trespass	2
Vehicle and Traffic Complaint	6
Welfare Check	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>286</b>

SUMMONS ISSUED	<b>0</b>
ARRESTS	<b>3</b>

Mileage	Start	End	Total
82	0	0	0
83	6849	7833	984
84	115132	118638	3506
85	0	0	0
86	43477	45486	2009

**TOTAL 6499**

**TOWN CLERK:**

There has been no word yet, from Ulster Co, when the DMV bus will return to schedule. This Sat. Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>, Outdoor Yard Sale at Phoenicia Fish & Game. Mobile Vet Van will be at Shandaken Town Hall on Sat, Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>. Shots at 9am, surgeries throughout the day. \$25 Cat Spay/Neuter program through Town Clerk Office.

Vivian Welton – Spoke about the 2020 Census – Online at <https://2020census.gov/>

*MOTIONS: After all COVID-19 precautions were reviewed and discussed, On a Disclafani/Vanblarcum motion the Town Board unanimously agreed to let Mountain Valley Little League use Glenbrook Park for their short, Fall season.*

*At 8:11 pm the Town Board, on a Disclafani/Storms motion, closed the Regular Meeting to go to Executive Session.*

*A clarification on a Personnel, Payroll issue was resolved.*

*The Town Bd closed the Executive Session at 8:20 & re-convened the Regular Meeting.*

*At 8:22 on the Vanblarcum/Disclafani motion the Town Board adjourned.*

**RESOLUTION #81-20**

**OFFERED BY: STORMS**

**RESOLUTION TO PAY ALL BILLS**

**WHEREAS,** The Department of Audit and Control require Town Boards to sign and inspect all vouchers coming into the town for payment, to number and total amounts from each fund.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Town Board authorize the following vouchers paid:

General	\$ 75,455.43
Highway	169,114.82
Phoenicia Water	4,685.70
Pine Hill Water	2,426.34
Phoenicia Lights	894.67
Chichester Lights	143.64
Pine Hill Lights	520.08
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	\$ 253,240.68

**AND MOVES ITS ADOPTION**

Seconded by: VANBLARCUM

**ROLL CALL**

AYES            NAYS

BOARD MEMBER DISCLAFANI	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
BOARD MEMBER STEEN	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
BOARD MEMBER STORMS	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
BOARD MEMBER VANBLARCUM	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
SUPERVISOR STANLEY	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>

**RESOLUTION #82-20**

**OFFERED BY: DISCLAFANI**

**Accept Bids – for Park Picnic Tables**

**WHEREAS**, Pursuant to Town Board resolution, the Town of Shandaken Town Board Advertised for bids for 10 (ten), 8 (eight) foot All Weather Picnic Tables for various parks in Shandaken

**WHEREAS**, bids – clearly marked on envelope ‘Picnic Tables Bid’ were received at the Town Clerk’s Office, Shandaken Town Hall, 7209 Route 28, PO Box 67, Shandaken, NY 12480 no later than 3pm on Monday, September 14, 2020. All submissions would be certified by the Town Clerk as received by that time and the Town Board reserved the right to reject any or all bids.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the following bids were received and accepted as qualified bidders-

**AMERICAN REC. PROD. 144-1 REMINGTON BLVD RONKONKOMA NY 11779 \$6,946 - \$6,786 \$7,199**

**NVB PLAYGROUNDS 3623 N. 700 WEST GREENFIELD IN 46140 - \$8,361.36**

**PILOT ROCK – RJ THOMAS MFG. PO BOX 946 CHEROKEE IA 51012 - \$8,893.40**

**ROSE MOUNTAIN WOODWORKS – PO BOX 93 SHANDAKEN NY 12480 \$4,750**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, After review and consideration, the Town Board hereby awards the Picnic Table Bid to **ROSE MOUNTAIN WOODWORKS** in the amount of \$4,750.

**AND MOVES ITS ADOPTION**

Seconded by: STEEN

**ROLL CALL**

**AYES                      NAYS**

BOARD MEMBER DISCLAFANI   X                        \_\_\_\_\_

BOARD MEMBER STEEN   X                        \_\_\_\_\_

BOARD MEMBER STORMS   X                        \_\_\_\_\_

BOARD MEMBER VANBLARCUM   X                        \_\_\_\_\_

SUPERVISOR STANLEY   X                        \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION #: 83-20**

**OFFERED BY: VABLARCUM**

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING TOWN OF SHANDAKEN POLICE REFORM AND REINVENTION COLLABORATIVE**

**WHEREAS**, on August 17, 2020 the Town of Shandaken was in receipt of a letter from Honorable New York State Governor Andrew M. Cuomo regarding Executive Order 203 of 2020 requiring each local municipality in the State to adopt a policing reform plan by April 1, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, that plan is to be developed between a Collaborative of key stakeholders involved in law enforcement and the general public from that community; and

**WHEREAS**, the development of the **Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative (PRRC)** is to include public meetings and hearings on any plan to be developed; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Shandaken **PRRC** Plan must be adopted by the Town Board and a copy sent to the NYS Division of Budget no later than April 1, 2021.

**THEREFORE, BE IT NOW RESOLVED** the Town of Shandaken Town Board hereby establishes the Town of Shandaken **Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative** including the following members:

**Kevin Van Blarcum** (Town Board), **Chad Storey** (Town Police Chief), **W. James McGrath** (Town Police Commission), **Wendy Lockwood** (Town Court Clerk), **Crystal Wei** (Mt. Tremper), **Michelle Spark** (Mt. Tremper), **Elizabeth Potter** (Phoenicia), **Syed Shahzad Adil Shah** (Phoenicia), **Charles Perez** (Big Indian), **Joshua Brown** (Pine Hill), **Manuela Jean-Pierre** (Pine Hill);

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the *PRRC* members, following public meetings, are directed to create a Draft Plan, and following a public hearing held by the Town Board, create a Final Plan for Town Board adoption to be submitted to the Director of the NYS Division of Budget no later than April 1, 2021.

**AND MOVES ITS ADOPTION**

Seconded by: STEEN

	ROLL CALL	
	AYES	NAYS

BOARD MEMBER DISCLAFANI	__X__	_____
BOARD MEMBER STEEN	__X__	_____
BOARD MEMBER STORMS	__X__	_____
BOARD MEMBER VANBLARCUM	__X__	_____
SUPERVISOR STANLEY	__X__	_____

**RESOLUTION #: 84-20**

**OFFERED BY: STANLEY**

**RESOLUTION HIRING FIRM TO ASSIST PLANNING BOARD WITH SEQR REVIEWS**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Shandaken Planning Board currently has several applications for projects which may require detailed environmental reviews under the New York State State Environmental Quality Review Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Board has voted to utilize the services of Milone and MacBroom, Inc. with offices located at 231 Main Street, Suite 102, New Paltz, NY 12561, for the purpose of assisting them in the SEQR process for current and future applicants and their projects.

**THEREFORE, BE IT NOW RESOLVED** the Town of Shandaken Town Board hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor to enter into an addendum contract with Milone and MacBroom, Inc., to assist the Planning Board in SEQR actions.

**AND MOVES ITS ADOPTION**

Seconded by: VANBLARCUM

	ROLL CALL	
	AYES	NAYS

BOARD MEMBER DISCLAFANI	__X__	_____
BOARD MEMBER STEEN	__X__	_____
BOARD MEMBER STORMS	__X__	_____
BOARD MEMBER VANBLARCUM	__X__	_____
SUPERVISOR STANLEY	__X__	_____

**RESOLUTION #85-20**

**OFFERED BY: STEEN**

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING NO CAMPAIGN SIGNAGE UNTIL AFTER COLUMBUS DAY (October 12, 2020)**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Shandaken recognizes the importance of preserving its natural beauty and viewsapes throughout the Town and

**WHEREAS**, Columbus Day weekend is recognized as a highly desirable time for visitors to travel to our area and enjoy the pristine beauty of Shandaken.

**THEREFORE**, the Town Board of Shandaken requests that campaign signs for the General Election regardless of party affiliation or contest, not be displayed until after Columbus Day, Monday October 12, 2020.

**AND MOVES ITS ADOPTION**

**AND MOVES ITS ADOPTION**

Seconded by: STANLEY

	ROLL CALL	
	AYES	NAYS

BOARD MEMBER DISCLAFANI	__X__	_____
BOARD MEMBER STEEN	__X__	_____
BOARD MEMBER STORMS	__X__	_____
BOARD MEMBER VANBLARCUM	__X__	_____
SUPERVISOR STANLEY	__X__	_____

**RESOLUTION #86-20**

**OFFERED BY STANLEY**

**RESOLUTION FOR PURCHASE OF REPLACEMENT HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Shandaken Highway Superintendent has voiced the need for a replacement truck to clean out highway culverts. And has requested the purchase of a 1992 International Fire Truck from the Phoenicia Fire District.. Mileage is 25,365. Vin #1HTSDPBR2NH397143.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, The Town Board hereby approve the purchase of the aforementioned fire truck from the Phoenicia Fire District, for the cost of \$12,000.

**AND MOVES ITS ADOPTION**

Seconded by: DISCLAFANI

	ROLL CALL	
	AYES	NAYS

BOARD MEMBER DISCLAFANI	__X__	_____
BOARD MEMBER STEEN	__X__	_____
BOARD MEMBER STORMS	__X__	_____
BOARD MEMBER VANBLARCUM	__X__	_____
SUPERVISOR STANLEY	__X__	_____

*At 8:22 on a Vanblarcum/Disclafani motion, the Town Board adjourned.*

*Signed this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2020*

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*Joyce Grant, Town Clerk*