

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

**The Town of Shandaken Town Board conducted a Regular Monthly Meeting on Monday
February 6, 2017 – 7pm. Shandaken Town Hall. 7209 Rt. 28 Shandaken, NY**

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

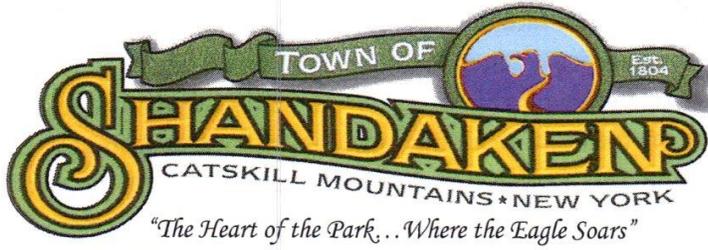
Members Present
**Robert Stanley – Supervisor
Gael Alba - Board Member
Peter DiSclafani – Board Member
Tim Malloy – Board Member
Faye Storms – Board Member**

Recording Secretary **Joyce Grant - Town Clerk**



**Town of Shandaken Town Board
Regular Monthly Meeting Agenda
Monday February 6, 2017 – 7pm**

- 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**
- 7. Committee Reports:**
 - a. *Ambulance*
 - b. *Police*
 - c. *Phoenicia Water*
 - d. *Pine Hill Water*
 - e. *Museum*
 - f. *Recreation*
- 8. Public Comments on Resolutions**
- 9. Motions:**
- 10. Resolutions:**
 - 54- Pay All Bills**
 - 55- SAFARI - Advertise for Firm to Conduct Feasibility Study**
 - a. Relocation of 38 Main Street Building – CWC \$15,000 grant
 - 56-SAFARI – Advertise for Consultant for CRS Application**
 - a. Community Rating System – AWSMP \$15,000 grant
 - 57-Ambulance – Hire & Change Personnel & EMT Rate Change**
 - a. F/T Paramedic – Coddington – @ \$16.67 per hour
 - b. Interim Training Officer - Muelerleile @ \$192.31 Bi-Weekly
 - c. EMT's to receive \$10.70 per hour
 - 58- Police – Renew URGENT Contract with Ulster County**
 - 59- Highway – Advertise for Gravel Crushing Bid**
 - 60- Town Board - Support Funding for Belleayre Mtn. Ski Center**
 - a. NYS 2017-18 Budget Allocation
 - 61- Supervisor – Hire Secretary/Bookkeeper**
 - a. Carol Herdman - \$11.75 per hour
- 11. Open Public Comment**
- 12. Meeting Adjournment - *IN MEMORY OF: Helen Varecha,***



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 Police: (845) 688-9902
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 Justice Court: (845) 688-5005
 Assessor: (845) 688-5003
 ZBA/ZEO/Planning: (845) 688-5008
 Highway: (845) 688-9901
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Upcoming Town Board Topics & Activity

MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2017

SAFARI: We have two resolutions tonight regarding our work toward better flood resiliency. The first is concerning the possible relocation of the two buildings on Main St closest to the Stony Clove Creek which currently house Ruth Gale Realty and the Catskill Clothing store. We have received a \$15,000 grant from the CWC to perform a feasibility study. This relocation plan is part of a larger plan outlined in the Local Flood Analysis done for the Hamlet of Phoenicia last year.

We also have a resolution to hire a firm to assist us, and more specifically our Code Officer Warren Tutt, in completing an application through FEMA's Community Rating System or CRS. CRS is a program whereby communities can apply and, depending upon the depth of information, education and communication you provide residents, garner varying amounts of points. The more points you accrue the more you can reduce flood insurance rates for your residents Town-wide. Due to the amount of work and information we have available and provide to our residents regarding flooding currently, we believe we can work toward at least a 10-15% reduction in those costs for residents. We have received a \$15,000 grant from the Ashokan Watershed Stream Management Program and Cornell Cooperative Extension of Ulster County to perform this task.

We hope to receive proposals for both these activities before our next meeting and hope to award both at March's Board meeting

AMBULANCE: Last month we were forced to take emergency action to increase the wage for our drivers from \$9 per hour to the new State Minimum Wage of \$9.70 per hour. Previously our Technicians, or EMT's, were making \$1 per hour more than the drivers due to the increased training and service they provide. Tonight we have a Resolution to increase the EMT rate from \$10 per hour to \$10.70 per hour. We will be addressing the Paramedics over the next few months. These rates were set in their contract and we will need to address this in that contract for the coming years so as to continue to meet proposed Minimum Wage increases.

Additionally, one of our Full-Time Paramedics is taking an undeterminable "leave of absence" for personal reasons. We are promoting Part-Time Paramedic Jim Coddington to Full-Time to cover this loss, additionally Deputy Chief Muellerleile will be taking over the duties of Training Officer, which was being performed by the same individual.

BELLEAYRE: Belleayre Mountain located wholly within the Town, is operated by the Olympic Regional Development Authority (or ORDA) based in Lake Placid. They also operate two other facilities (Whiteface in Lake Placid and Gore Mountain in North Creek.) If you were not aware, it is Budget season in Albany. We were alerted to an announcement made by Governor Cuomo approximately two weeks ago

concerning Capital Funding to be provided to ORDA for their ski facilities. Regrettably, the announcement of a \$20 million investment proposed by the Governor was specifically slated for infrastructure and upgrades at Whiteface and Gore only, without mention of Belleayre. Belleayre is a vital part of our community and region and many residents and visitors are disappointed, to say the least, about this omission. A Unit Management Plan for repairs and upgrades at Belleayre was prepared over a number of years. In December of 2015 the plan passed environmental review and was approved by the State DEC, yet the state fails to fund the plan or even items in that plan. Just as we struggle to maintain the upkeep on our bridges, roads, buildings and vehicles. It is the State's responsibility to maintain the necessary infrastructure and improvements needed for Belleayre to maintain a safe and relevant recreational facility, like Belleayre. We have a resolution tonight to request the Governor to correct this omission as soon as possible and ask our County Legislature and County Executive to do the same.

HIGHWAY: We have a resolution to go out for bid for gravel crushing and hope to receive bids prior to our meeting next month in order to award.

Additionally, work is moving forward on the replacement bridge for Route 28 in Big Indian and Woodland Valley Bridge. We have a meeting coming up with DOT to discuss the full plan for the Big Indian Bridge, but it sounds like the plan remains to be building the new bridge next to the existing bridge. Motorists will continue to use the existing bridge, without a detour, and they hope to move the lanes onto the new bridge sometime in the summer of 2018. Woodland Valley Bridge is still slated to reopen this spring.

Additionally, we received notice that another of our bridges on Peck Hollow, which is in need of serious replacement, was awarded \$885,000 through the New York Bridges Program. We are meeting with DOT officials next week to go over the plan for replacement and hope to be going out over the next few months for that work. It should be noted that we were the only government, including the County, who received these funds in Ulster County.

MISC.: We have a resolution to renew our contract with the County for our Police Department to participate in URGENT (Ulster Regional Gang Enforcement Team).

I'm also happy to report that there is a resolution to hire a Full-Time Confidential Secretary for my office, since the previous Secretary left last September. Tonight we will be hiring Carol Herdman who comes to us with previous experience in Governmental accounting with the US Navy. I'd like welcome Carol aboard and also I would like to thank Tina Rice, who was helping out periodically and to Patti Heinz the Part-Time Secretary for taking on more of a workload until this point.

Lastly, our Franchise Agreement with Charter Communications/Spectrum (formerly Time Warner Cable) is due for renewal in May. We have several areas of the Town we would like to see service extended to and the State has requested that Spectrum find a way to provide many more properties, state-wide, with service and improved service to boot. Board member Storms and I will be meeting with a few folks over the month to review the current agreement and look for ways to try and provide better service throughout our community. If you are in an area of Town that is currently lacking in Television and Broadband Services, feel free to contact my office so we work toward creating a committee to work on this over the next few months.

**Our next regular meeting is scheduled for
Monday, March 6, 2017 at 7 pm.**

Town Clerk – Upcoming Events

Phoenicia Business Association is Sponsoring a February Food drive. Drop off at stores in Phoenicia

Shandaken Historical Museum will have a Postcard show at the museum on Sun. Feb. 12th. 1-4pm

CPR Training February. Free. Call Patti Rudge for info. 845-254-4126

Fly Tying Class by Hank Rope at Pho. Fish & Game. Feb 18,24 & March 4, 11th Call 254-5904

Big Indian Native Am. Cultural Center Moccasin Workshop Sat. Feb. 18th 10-3 Call 254-4238

Pancake Supper Pho. United Methodist Church Tues. Feb. 28th 5-7pm

Public Comment on Resolutions

Res. 60-17 – Those who spoke in favor: Kathy Nolan, Tony Lanza, Bill Becker, Chuck Perez, Judy Shiner, Roy Dignes. None spoke against Res. 60-17

Phoenicia Library – Home Delivery of Library Materials available, call 688-7811

Open Comment

Lance Hoffman –Shandaken, had issues pertaining to highway dept. and bridge project for Muller bridge was illicit. Supr. Stanley stated that all paperwork was in order for project & approved by FEMA.

Anique Taylor & Alan Fliegel – Spoke against the CMRR Catskill Mtn. Railroad and the storage of their train cars on their property on Lower High Street, Phoenicia.

Cliff Faintych – Town of Denning introduced himself to the board, he is running for Dist. 22 of UC Legislature.

Town Board Adjourned at 8:25 on a Malloy/Disclafani motion.



January 2017 Report

TOTAL CALLS RECEIVED-27

MUTUAL AID GIVEN- 1

MUTUAL AID RECEIVED- 0

Good evening Supervisor Stanley, members of the board, and town residents.

I would like to start this month report by commending all the Shandaken Ambulance staff on a job well done in the past year. The ambulance has been through a lot in the past year, but that has not stopped the dedication of the Drivers, EMT's, and Paramedics that work for this fine town from doing a professional job every time they are called for service. Attached to this month's report you will find the end of year report from 2016. In 2016 the Ambulance responded to 433 calls for service with an 86% time of call to on scene of under 15 minutes. I would also like to report that as of February 1st we have switched over to the new E-pcr software and I have been getting great feedback from the staff as to the use and ease over the last software. I would like to end my report by saying have a safe and healthy month.

Vehicle	Ending	Beginning	Total
7850	99212	98307	905
7851	78800	78714	86
625	64697	64450	247
626	15476	14170	1306

Stay Safe Out There,

Regards,

Brendan Whalen

Chief, Town of Shandaken Ambulance Service

TOWN OF SHANDAKEN AMBULANCE SERVICE



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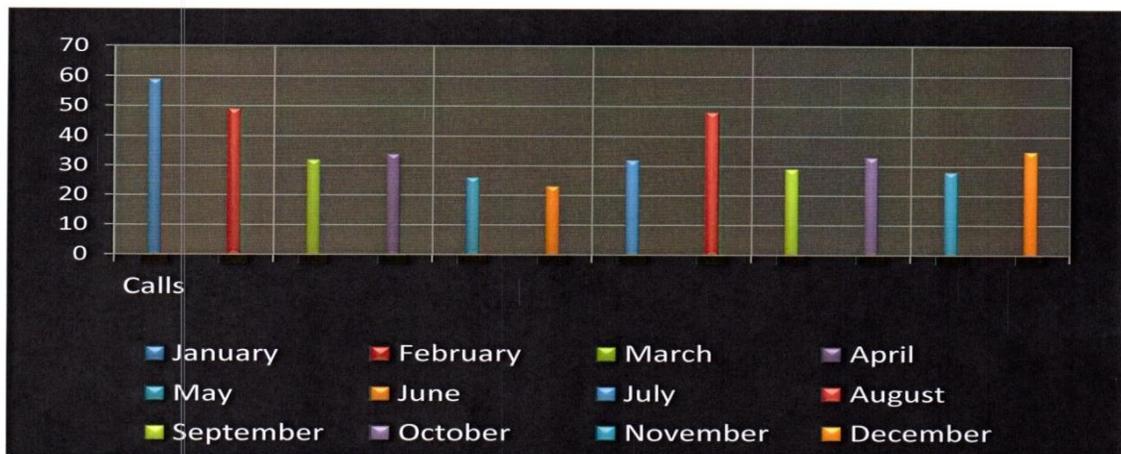
2016 Year End Report

Total calls received 2016 - 433

Total mutual aid given 2016 - 11

Total mutual aid received 2016 - 4

Town Of Shandaken Ambulance - Calls By Month 2016



TOTAL MILEAGE BY UNIT – 2016

UNIT NUMBER	BEGINNING MILEAGE	ENDING MILEAGE	TOTAL
7850	90225	98307	8082
7851	73587	78714	5127
625	57658	64450	6792
626	3825	14170	10345

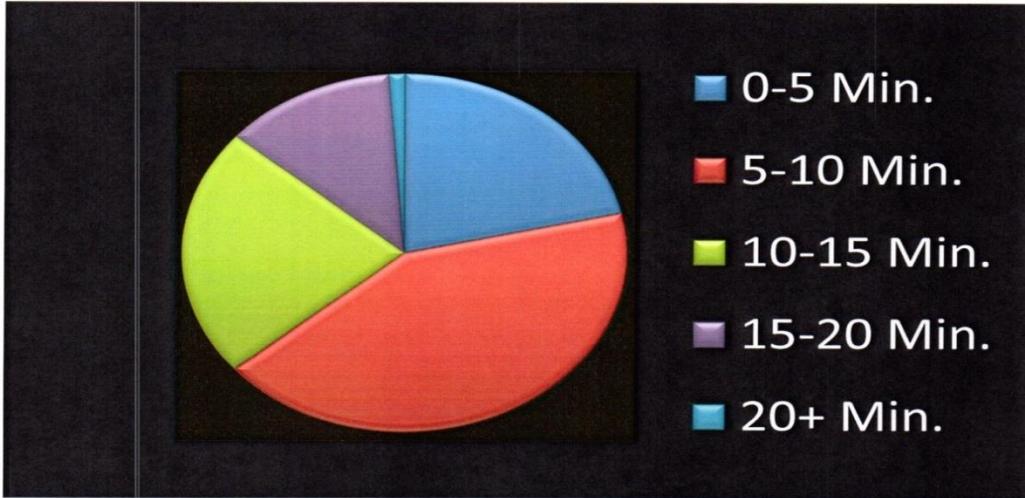
TOWN OF SHANDAKEN AMBULANCE SERVICE



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Town Of Shandaken Ambulance - Average Response Time 2015

Numbers Based on Time of Dispatch to First Arriving Ambulance Unit



RESOLUTION #54-17

OFFERED BY: Disclafani

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	\$ 43,819.95
Highway	11,566.85
Phoenicia Water	4,339.61
Pine Hill Water	2,779.86
Phoenicia Lights	1,130.79
Chichester Lights	157.79
Pine Hill Lights	637.76

	\$ 64,432.61

AND MOVES ITS ADOPTION

Seconded by: MALLOY

ROLL CALL

	AYES	NAYS
BOARD MEMBER ALBA	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
BOARD MEMBER DISCLAFANI	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
BOARD MEMBER MALLOY	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
BOARD MEMBER STORMS	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
SUPERVISOR STANLEY	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>

RESOLUTION # 55 - 17

OFFERED BY: MALLOY

RESOLUTION ADVERTISING REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL TO HIRE FIRM FOR FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR PHOENICIA LFA PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Town of Shandaken Town Board has completed a Local Flood Analysis (LFA) in the Hamlet of Phoenicia in 2016; and

WHEREAS, the LFA identifies several projects including the possible relocation of certain structures within the Hamlet including a property located at 38 Main St., Phoenicia; and

WHEREAS, the Town applied for and received a \$15,000 grant through the CWC to conduct a feasibility study for said relocation with the property owners approval; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Shandaken Town Board advertise for a Firm to conduct said feasibility study in order to properly assess the possibility of this project through the attached Request For Proposals.

AND MOVES ITS ADOPTION

Seconded by: STANLEY

	ROLL CALL	
	AYES	NAYS
BOARD MEMBER ALBA	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER DISCLAFANI	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER MALLOY	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER STORMS	<u> X </u>	_____
SUPERVISOR STANLEY	<u> X </u>	_____

RESOLUTION # 56 - 17

OFFERED BY STANLEY

RESOLUTION ADVERTISING REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL TO HIRE CRS CONSULTANT

WHEREAS, the Town of Shandaken Town Board and the Shandaken Area Flood Assessment and Remediation Initiative (SAFARI) members have been diligently working toward efforts to help identify and reduce flood threats throughout the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Shandaken Flood Mitigation Plan identifies activities to help the Town achieve the goal of reduction of threats from flooding as well as helping to reduce the costs of Flood Insurance Rates for the benefit of all Town Property owners; and

WHEREAS, the Flood Mitigation Plan includes Initiative 18 which stresses “Participation in the Community Ratings System (CRS) to further manage flood risk and reduce flood insurance premiums for NFIP policyholders”; and

WHEREAS, the Town has received a \$15,000 grant from the Ashokan Watershed Stream Management Program (AWSMP) to hire a consultant to assist the Town in registering in CRS; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Shandaken advertise for a Consultant to assist the Town Code Enforcement Officer as the Town Floodplain Administrator in applying into CRS and to help ensure continued participation in the program for the coming years; and

AND MOVES ITS ADOPTION

Seconded by: STORMS

	ROLL CALL	
	AYES	NAYS
BOARD MEMBER ALBA	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER DISCLAFANI	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER MALLOY	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER STORMS	<u> X </u>	_____
SUPERVISOR STANLEY	<u> X </u>	_____

RESOLUTION #57-17

OFFERED BY: STORMS

AMBULANCE TECHNICIANS

WHEREAS, under §20 of the Town Law, the Town Board shall designate all appointed officers and employees of the Town;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following personnel be appointed to the Shandaken Town Ambulance at the following rates:

Jim Coddington F/T Paramedic @ \$16.67 per hour

Rich Muellerleile as Interim Training Officer @ \$192.31 Bi-Weekly

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Town of Shandaken Town Board hereby raises the EMT's pay rate to \$10.70/hr .

AND MOVES ITS ADOPTION

Seconded by: MALLOY

	ROLL CALL	
	AYES	NAYS
BOARD MEMBER ALBA	__X__	_____
BOARD MEMBER DISCLAFANI	__X__	_____
BOARD MEMBER MALLOY	__X__	_____
BOARD MEMBER STORMS	__X__	_____
SUPERVISOR STANLEY	__X__	_____

RESOLUTION #58-17

OFFERED BY: ALBA

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING RENEWAL OF CONTRACT WITH ULSTER COUNTY FOR ULSTER REGIONAL GANG ENFORCEMENT NARCOTICS TEAM (URGENT)

WHEREAS, various Towns and Village Police Departments in the County of Ulster together with the Ulster County Sheriff's Office and the Ulster County District Attorney's Office, as Member Agencies, seek to operate and act collectively as a task force team pursuant to Federal policies and guidelines, such task force known as the Ulster Regional Gang Enforcement Narcotics Team (hereinafter referred to as 'URGENT'); AND

WHEREAS, the mission of URGENT is to achieve maximum coordination and cooperation, through utilizing the combined resources of Member Agencies, to primarily investigate gang members and affiliates involved in criminal enterprises, as well as investigate narcotic related offenses and the possession and sale of illegal firearms in Ulster County; and

WHEREAS, membership in the URGENT task force will benefit the Town of Shandaken in that will provide a specialized unit to combat gang violence and narcotic trafficking within the Town and County of Ulster; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed the Inter-Municipal Cooperative Agreement (URGENT) PROPOSED BY THE Ulster County District Attorney and the Ulster County Sheriff; and

WHEREAS, the Police Chief of the Town of Shandaken has also reviewed the Inter-Municipal Cooperative Agreement and has recommended that the Town Board approve the agreement.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Town Board of Shandaken hereby approves the agreement and membership in the task force;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Town of Shandaken Police Chief Chad Storey is authorized to execute the agreement on behalf of the Town of Shandaken.

AND MOVES ITS ADOPTION

Seconded by: STANLEY

	ROLL CALL	
	AYES	NAYS

BOARD MEMBER ALBA	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER DISCLAFANI	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER MALLOY	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER STORMS	<u> X </u>	_____
SUPERVISOR STANLEY	<u> X </u>	_____

RESOLUTION #59-17

OFFERED BY DISCLAFANI

ADVERTISING FOR GRAVEL CRUSHING

WHEREAS, THE Town of Shandaken Highway Department is seeking bids for crushing of item 4 at the Town owned gravel bank, specifications are available at the Highway Superintendant’s Office, 7209 Route 28, Shandaken, NY or by calling (845) 688-5031

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that bids will be 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, March 6, 2017 to be opened at the regular Town Board meeting scheduled for 7 pm that evening.

AND MOVES ITS ADOPTION

Seconded by: MALLOY

	ROLL CALL	
	AYES	NAYS
BOARD MEMBER ALBA	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER DISCLAFANI	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER MALLOY	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER STORMS	<u> X </u>	_____
SUPERVISOR STANLEY	<u> X </u>	_____

RESOLUTION # 60 - 17

OFFERED BY STANLEY

SUPPORTING NEW YORK STATE FUNDING FOR BELLEAYRE INFRASTRUCTURE

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Shandaken recognizes recreational tourism as our biggest economic driver here within the Catskill State Forest Preserve; and

WHEREAS, Belleayre Mountain Ski Center (**BELLEAYRE**), located wholly within the Town of Shandaken and Ulster County, is a major economic driver for many of our communities, not just within Shandaken but along the Route 28 Corridor and the Catskill Mountain Scenic Byway communities; and

WHEREAS, **BELLEAYRE** is operated by the Olympic Regional Development Authority (**ORDA**), which also operates multiple recreational facilities throughout New York State including Gore and Whiteface Mountains located in the Adirondacks; and

WHEREAS, Governor Cuomo recently made an announcement concerning the upcoming New York State budget proposing \$20 million in capital investment for much needed upgrades and repairs at ORDA facilities, but specifically earmarked those funds for use at Gore and Whiteface Mountains excluding **BELLEAYRE**; and

WHEREAS, New York State has already recognized the necessity for upgrades and improvements at **BELLEAYRE** as outlined in the Unit Management Plan (**UMP**) and approved by the State in 2015; and

WHEREAS, **BELLEAYRE** has not been able to implement long-needed and awaited upgrades and repairs to the existing equipment and lodges for many years due to lack of capital funding; and

WHEREAS, the Governor has also reiterated in several statements and visits to our region, his understanding of the importance of **BELLEAYRE** on the Central Catskills economy;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, The Shandaken Town Board formally requests the Governor to correct this oversight in his current 2017-18 NYS Budget proposal and provide capital funding for the much needed infrastructure upgrades at **BELLEAYRE** Mountain Ski Center; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Shandaken Town Board requests the Ulster County Legislature and Ulster County Executive, Honorable Michael P. Hein, provide support for the Town of Shandaken and **BELLEAYRE** on this issue concerning the single largest economic driver in western Ulster County and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Governor’s Office, Ulster County Executive and Legislature and our NYS Senator James Seward and Assembly Member Kevin Cahill.

AND MOVES ITS ADOPTION

Seconded by: MALLOY

	ROLL CALL	
	AYES	NAYS
BOARD MEMBER ALBA	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER DISCLAFANI	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER MALLOY	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER STORMS	<u> X </u>	_____
SUPERVISOR STANLEY	<u> X </u>	_____

RESOLUTION # 61-17

OFFERED BY: MALLOY

SECRETARY / BOOKKEEPER TO THE SUPERVISOR

WHEREAS, under §29, Subsection 15, of the Town Law the Town Board may authorize the Supervisor to make a designation for the position of Full time Secretary/Bookkeeper to the Supervisor; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approve the appointment of **Carol Herdman** to serve at the pleasure of the Supervisor, and receive \$11.75 per hour when discharging the duties of said office, not to exceed \$20,000, for the Fiscal Year 2017.

AND MOVES ITS ADOPTION

Seconded by: STANLEY

	ROLL CALL	
	AYES	NAYS
BOARD MEMBER ALBA	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER DISCLAFANI	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER MALLOY	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER STORMS	<u> X </u>	_____
SUPERVISOR STANLEY	<u> X </u>	_____

Signed this 7th day of February, 2017

Joyce Grant - Town Clerk