



**Town of Shandaken Town Board
Regular Monthly Meeting Agenda
Monday, February 7, 2022**

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-Tommy Toal – Free Smoke Alarms American Red Cross
7. Committee Reports
 - a. Ambulance
 - b. Building/Zoning
 - c. Police
 - d. Phoenicia Water
 - e. Pine Hill Water
 - f. Museum
8. Public Comments on Resolutions
9. Motions:
10. Resolutions:
 41. Pay All Bills
 42. Land Acquisition from Nature Conservatory
 43. Appoint Town Registrars
 44. Assessors Bd of Review Member – Faye Storms
 45. Town Property Easement to NYSEG
 46. Set Public Hearing for Logging Permit
 47. Set Town Bd Workshop & Public Hearings on Short Term Rental Law, Conservation Advisory Comm.
 48. Purchase of Replacement Ambulance Vehicle
 49. Appoint Building Inspector – Howard McGowan

Open Public Comment

Meeting Adjournment -IN MEMORY OF - Ragnhild Arp – Earnest Fudge, Jr. - Elizabeth Sullivan – Clark & Maryann Ulmer – Donna Keefe – Charles Tar

Supervisor Report January 2022
Revenues

Police Fees	\$ 75.00
Dog Licenses	\$ 41.00
UC Mortgage	\$ 93,515.77
Ambulance Fees	\$11,980.53
Town Clerk EZ Pass	\$ 75.00
Dec 2021 - Fines & Forfeitures	\$ 6,580.00
Building Permit Fees /Zoning	\$ 1,191.00
2022 Tax Warrant	\$ 400,000.00
Planning	\$ 69.60
Highway Revenue	\$ 409,533.10
False Alarms	\$ 600.00
Wagering	\$ 10.00
Vital Statistics	\$ 140.00
General Payroll Taxes	\$ 19,073.16
J. Killian Donation	\$ 100.00
Tibet House	\$ 5,000.00
Time Warner - Franchise Fee	\$18,538.86
Totals	\$ 966,523.02



SHANDAKEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

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January 2022 Monthly Report

INCIDENT TYPE	NUMBER	INCIDENT TYPE	NUMBER
911 Misdial/No Voice/Abandoned	10	Harassment	
Accident PIAA/PDAA	16	Local Law	
Abandoned Vehicle		Lock Out	6
Alarm Burglary/Panic/Robbery	6	Lost/Missing Person	2
Animal Complaint/Investigation	1	Noise	1
Assist EMS/Fire	5	Property Retrieval/Lost/Found	1
Criminal Mischief	2	Public Service	11
Disorderly Conduct	2	Open Door	
Encon Violation		Property Check	469
Larceny	3	Road Hazard	1
Community Oriented Policing Project	1	School Check	11
Custody Dispute		Shots Fired	
Civil	3	Suspicious Activity	5
Disabled Vehicle	7	Traffic Stop	52
Dispute	3	Trespass	1
Domestic Dispute	5	Vehicle and Traffic Complaint	4
Erratic Vehicle	1	Welfare Check	7
Foot Patrol	1	Warrant	1
Fraud/Larceny	1		
Mental Health Law	1	Total	

Property Checks 469
Total w/property checks 640

SUMMONS ISSUED	25
ARRESTS	7



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

January 2022 Report

TOTAL CALLS RECEIVED - 52

MUTUAL AID GIVEN - 0

MUTUAL AID RECEIVED - 1 (Multiple calls in the District)

As most of Shandaken "dodged the icicle" that turned the balance of points East powerless and freezing, isolated parts of the Town experienced outages just the same from this last storm. We certainly have seen our fair share of outages during winter. In times of power outage some folks resort to unconventional means to have some semblance of normalcy- but they don't consider the risks associated with the little comfort these remedies afford. This particularly applies to portable generators, and heating appliances that we don't routinely use- like an old fireplace or kerosene heater. Many a time we have seen a generator running too close to a home causing high levels of carbon monoxide inside, structure fires due to individuals utilizing a fireplace that wasn't cleaned, or space heaters in unsafe areas causing both. NEVER use a grill meant for the outdoors inside the home for the same reasons. These risks just aren't worth the reward.

By far one of the most dangerous situations we encounter during a storm like our most recent involve electricity. Common sense tells you to stay away from any downed line, however when it is blocking you in your driveway you suddenly become a trained linemen. Don't be that person- it could kill you. Treat all downed lines like they are live with power and deadly. Anything a wire touches can be charged so stay aware of fences and other objects near the wire. Stay at least 30 feet away and call 911. Also, contrary to popular belief Google cannot provide you an electrical engineering degree- so stop trying to wire in generator transfer switches, or back-feeding your home through a large amperage plug. You could kill yourself or others. When in doubt, call a professional BEFORE the storm. If not, go to a warming center. The Town, and County routinely list these on social media, and will notify via alerts during an emergency if you are signed up (hint: sign up).

COVID UPDATE- As of 2/6 there are 948 active cases of COVID in Ulster County, down far from the 3,157 reported in January. There are 8 active cases in the Town of Shandaken at this time. Total cumulative cases in the Town since the beginning of the pandemic have reached 245, with 236 recovered. The County has accounted for the suspected fatality from last month, so we now unfortunately have one fatality on record. Total cumulative cases in the County have reached 35,778, just about 350 shy of 10,000 new cases since our last Town Board Meeting. There are a total of 361 cumulative fatalities since the beginning of the Pandemic in the County, with 34,469 individuals recovered.

Stay safe out there, and wear a mask!

Richard Muellertede

Chief of Department, Shandaken Ambulance

Town Clerk

We are working on our list of elderly & at risk citizens. I will be posting on our website and facebook pages for info on people who are 1-elderly and alone 2-physically at risk 3-those with no transportation. Especially if they have no back up heat source.

Also: I will be requesting volunteers to help (depending on conditions), check on these folks during extended outages. Email me if you know someone who may need help or if you wish to volunteer! My email is townclerk@shandaken.us

SHANDAKEN HISTORICAL MUSEUM’S DIRECTOR’S REPORT FOR JANUARY 2022

Tours were given to 43 visitors

Currently I’m doing genealogy searches for several Shandaken families Hinckley, Molyneaux, McCann DeLong Ellsworth, Coons and Whispell.

Many people are also looking for old pictures of their newly purchased house, for example Jane Todd’s daughter recently acquired a home here in Pine Hill. Also in Pine Hill there are inquiries about the stone walls that encased our creeks.....as well as our historic arch bridges.

I continue to share our history on multiple Facebook pages and answer many history questions there. I hope to create a renewed interest in our history. Also, I worked closely with Evan Pritchard who had a Native American history event through the Phoenicia library.

We had an emergency with our furnace spilling gallons of water on the floor where Vinnie Sorbellini recently worked on repairing the wall from moisture damage. Our furnace room is once again drying out THANKS to Barbara Twerdack quickly getting Bottini in there. They replaced the grey tank, and Vinnie was available for consultation. It worked out great. It’s wonderful to have someone I can call on the weekends when all our other town offices are closed, Vinnie saved the day.

We will continue to social distance and wear our masks. We also very much look forward to working with our new Town Supervisor and our Town Council and the new representatives there.

Thank you ,
Kathleen Myers\Director\Historian

Comments on Resolutions

Andrew Peck Nature Conservatory gave info and answered question on resolution 42. Tina Rice W.Valley, had comments on resolutions 48 & 49, Rob Stanley Pine Hill had comments on Resolution 49.

Public Comments.

Angela Galindo Phoenicia commented on her efforts to get cell service in Shandaken, Residents of Pine Hill, Isaac Schweiger & Angel Molino commented on the property on Main St that had a fire and debris is still there (zoning officer Sarah Pellizari, stated that a Notice of Violation was sent to owner on 1/14/22, and he has 30 days to reply).

RESOLUTION # 41-22

OFFERED BY:

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	\$ 497,852.31
Highway	128,864.32
Phoenicia Water	19,190.97
Pine Hill Water	33,600.82
Phoenicia Lights	---
Chichester Lights	---
Pine Hill Lights	2,934.50

	\$ 682,469.22

BOARD MEMBER DRAKE	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER KNEISSL	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER STEEN	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER VAN BLARCUM	<u> X </u>	_____
SUPERVISOR DISCLAFANI	<u> X </u>	_____

RESOLUTION # 44-22

OFFERED BY: DISCLAFANI

ASSESSORS BOARD OF REVIEW

WHEREAS, under § 20 of the Town Law, notes of Decision 9, the Town Board should designate all appointed officers and employees of the Town;

Therefore be it Resolved, that **Faye Storms** is hereby Appointed to the Assessors Board of review, at no compensation

AND MOVE ITS ADOPTION

Seconded by: STEEN

ROLL CALL

	AYES	NAYS
BOARD MEMBER DRAKE	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER KNEISSL	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER STEEN	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER VAN BLARCUM	<u> X </u>	_____
SUPERVISOR DISCLAFANI	<u> X </u>	_____

RESOLUTION #45-22

OFFERED BY STEEN

RESOLUTION FOR EASEMENT ON TOWN OWNED PROPERTY

Whereas, The Town of Shandaken has received a request from NYSEG (New York State Electric & Gas), to permit an easement on Town owned property located at 85 Bonnie View Ave. Pine Hill.

Whereas, This easement would allow electrical service to a property owner adjacent to our town owned property sbl #4.45-1-1.

Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Shandaken hereby agrees to an easement for NYSEG on our property as listed above.

AND MOVE ITS ADOPTION

Seconded by: DRAKE

ROLL CALL

	AYES	NAYS
BOARD MEMBER DRAKE	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER KNEISSL	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER STEEN	<u> X </u>	_____
BOARD MEMBER VAN BLARCUM	<u> X </u>	_____

Joyce Grant – Town Clerk