

**Town of Shandaken
County of Ulster
State of New York
Monday, September 9, 2013**

The Town of Shandaken Town Board conducted their regular Monthly meeting as per Resolutions #2. Minutes of the Monthly Regular Town Board Meeting held in Shandaken on Monday Sept. 9, 2013 at 7pm at the Town Meeting Hall Rt. 28, Shandaken NY.

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

**Members Present Doris Bartlett, Board Member
 Alfred Higley, Jr, Board Member
 Jack Jordan, Board Member
 Robert Stanley, Supervisor
Members Absent Vincent Bernstein, Board Member**

Recording Sect. Joyce Grant, Town Clerk

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

Communications:

From Assessors Office: Basic Star Exemption Renewal - Shandaken residents with the Basic Star exemption will be required to renew with the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance. Starting this week you will be receiving registration instructions from New York State by mail. Once you receive this notice, you must either file online or by phone to continue receiving your exemption for 2014 and subsequent years. The deadline for the star renewal is December 31, 2013.

For those who receive Enhanced Star and Senior with Enhanced Star, **THIS DOES NOT AFFECT YOU**. You will continue to file your applications with the Shandaken Assessors' office. The renewal application will be mailed to you in the next few months.

If you have any questions contact the Assessors Office at (845)688-5003.

Upcoming Town Events:

Saturday Sept. 15 – Shandaken Fish Frenzy – Phoenicia Library. 11am-5pm. 688-7811

Wednesday Sept. 18 – Boy Scout Registration Phoenicia School 7pm Ages 6-18 – 688-5823

Saturday Sept. 21 Spiritual Arts Fair – Big Indian Park 10-5pm 845-586-2330

Saturday Sept. 28 – Free Legal Advice for Seniors – Phoenicia Library 10:30am 688-7811

Saturday Oct. 5th – Heat the Church Ham Dinner – Shandaken Memorial United Methodist Church – 5-7pm , takeouts start at 4:30. 688-7164

***All Town Events are listed on our Google Calendar, Website & Facebook pages.
www.shandaken.us**

Committee Reports

Phoenicia Water – Rick Ricciardella – The Phoenicia Water District is still under a Restriction. No outdoor watering until further notice. Smith Reservoir is not working and is in the process of being repaired. The pumps are here from NYSEG and will be installed.

No Reports from Pine Hill Water, Museum & Recreation

Public Comment

Rick Ricciardella – We should write to NYC & County to let the know we have to dredge the streams from Pine Hill down into all the hollows.

Supervisor Stanley – We are continuously working on these projects through multiple sources. We met with the CRZ and discussed raising buildings as opposed to smartly dredging or “gravel harvesting” of the streams without damaging the ecology of the streams.

Faye Storms – Phoenicia Rotary \$100 Night was a great success. Mike Ricciardella & his staff did a wonderful job.



Town of Shandaken Town Board **Regular Monthly Meeting Agenda** **Monday, September 9, 2013**

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of previous T/B Meeting minutes
4. Supervisor's Financial Report
5. Communications
6. Committee Reports:
 - a. Ambulance
 - b. Police
 - c. Phoenicia Water
 - d. Pine Hill Water
 - e. Museum
 - f. Recreation
7. Public Comments on Resolutions
8. Motions:
9. Resolutions:
 119. Pay All Bills
 120. Town Board – 1 yr. Extension for Smart Growth Grant
 121. Town Board – No Campaign Signage until after Columbus Day
 122. Town Clerk – Recognizing Town Clerk as Town Information Office
 123. Highway – Approve lease for new Highway Truck
 124. Ambulance – Hiring new employee
 125. Planning Board – Accept Munster Resignation/Advertise Opening
10. Open Public Comment
11. Meeting Adjournment - *IN MEMORY OF: Henrietta Short*



Town of Shandaken

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

"The Heart of the Park... Where the Eagle Soars"

Upcoming Town Board Topics & Activity

Supervisor: (845) 688-7165
 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

Month of September 2013

SAFARI/ NY Rising Communities: Earlier today the

Community Reconstruction Zone Committee met for the first time since the \$3 million award for the Town was announced. Discussions revolved around what projects are the most feasible and beneficial to the Town. No specific project was discussed, but they will be seeking input on where we can best implement a project that will have the most benefit for the entire community. It is not clear, this being an introductory meeting, where the committee would like to focus most but they are encouraging public input as to what the general public would like to see.

Potential projects should include at its core a resiliency component to ensure the future viability of the community, but should also include components concerning emergency response activities as well as economic and environmental benefits for the community. There are several funding sources included in this initiative and the Town of Shandaken, as has been said several times over by State and Regional officials, is far ahead of many of the other communities due to our work following Irene. The committee, although just starting to meet, is anticipating some unique and exciting projects to come out of this activity. According to the State's timeline for the committee, there will be several public outreach activities and meeting over the next few months. The State anticipates completing the committee's process by next spring.

Audit: Last month we hired an independent accounting firm to perform an audit for the Town under federal guidelines due the Town receiving more than \$500,000 in federal funding during a single calendar year. The Town had hoped to be eligible for a "Program Specific" Audit, which would have been solely focused on auditing only the portions of the budget directly concerning FEMA funding. That is not the case. After meeting with the auditing firm, it was noted that the Town has also been in receipt of other federal funds through grants and Stream work projects funded by federal agencies other than FEMA. This means we will have to pay for the "Single Audit" which is legally required. They hope to complete this work over the next month. The difference in cost to

the Town is approximately \$4,000. We anticipate that these audits will be routine for the Town over the coming years as we continue FEMA and stream restoration projects.

Shandaken Day: First, I would like to thank everyone who helped us make Shandaken Day in Mt. Tremper a success again. Although business was slow, it was steady, and we received word that the other festivals in the area experienced the same crowds. The highlight of the day was the awards ceremony where we conferred the Pride of Shandaken award on Gary Carr, Jr. for his years of dedication to this community through the Ambulance and Fire Departments and the Boy Scouts. We awarded the Hamlet Hero award to the Friends of the Catskill Interpretive Center who after decades of dedication to this endeavor are starting to see the project move forward. They anticipate ground-breaking on the first phase of this project by fall of next year. As a special note the Town also conferred an Award of Merit to Ernie Longhi, Sr. for his 20 years of dedicated service to the Town of Shandaken Ambulance Department. Lastly, but certainly not least, was the Shandaken Cup. Due to the lack of emergency responders on the scene, sadly due to a number of emergency calls that took place that day, the Shandaken Cup was lost by the Ambulance squad to the Shandaken-Allaben Hose Company. The battle was fierce but only came down to a single pull as the Ambulance Squad was again called to the line of duty in the Town. Next year the event returns to Big Indian Park the location of our biggest turnout. It will also be the five year anniversary of the placement of the Winnisook statue in the park, which to this day still attracts motorists for photos. We look forward to working with the communities of Big Indian and Oliveira and celebrating everything they have to offer.

Tonight: Our first resolution is to extend our Smart Growth grant which is paying for the new signs and kiosks to be placed as soon as the Highway Department finishes current paving work. We also have our annual resolution requesting no campaign signage until after the Columbus Day holiday on October 14th. We have resolutions to hire a new paramedic for the Ambulance and to officially designate the Town Clerk's office as the Town's Public Information Office. There is a resolution to purchase a new dump truck after the loss of several vehicles in a fire earlier this year. We are purchasing this through a lease agreement and will have this vehicle purchased in full by 2018. Lastly we received a letter of resignation from Joan Munster, who has served multiple terms on the Planning Board. We wish her and her husband, former Town Board member Joe Munster, best wishes as they move on to enjoy some time with their grandchildren. Of course, the Town will be advertising the opening with applications due before the end of the month.

Our next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 7, 2013 at 7pm.

CHIEF W.J.MCGRATH

SHANDAKEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

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MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT			
005 abandoned vehicle	1	163 crim poss drug paraphernalia	
010 ABC violation	1	168 death investigation	
015 acc/aircraft		170 disabled vehicle	4
020 acc/fatal		175 disorderly conduct	1
025 acc/h&r		176 dive call	
027 acc/animal	1	177 DNA swab	
030 acc/hunting		180 domestic	1
035 acc/nav		185 drowning	
040 acc/piaa	3	187 encon violation	
045 acc/pdaa	6	190 escape	
048 acc/unk piaa	1	195 explosion	
050 acc/atv	2	200 family court violation	
052 acc/snowmobile		204 fire brush	
054 address verification sex offndr	2	205 fire structure	2
055 agg harass misdemeanor		210 fire vehicle	
057 agg harass felony		212 fireworks	
060 animal complaint	9	215 forgery	
061 animal lost		220 found property	4
062 animal cruelty		225 fraud	1
065 armed robbery		230 gambling offense	
070 arson		235 harassment	6
075 assault misd		240 hazmat	
080 assault felony		243 heat emergency	
090 attempt to locate		245 homicide	
100 aid founded	3	248 identity theft	
105 aid unfounded	4	250 illegal dumping	1
107 atv complaint	1	255 illegal parking	
110 background investigation		257 impact detail	
115 bad check		258 impersonation/ false personation	
116 bail jump/ fail to appear		260 indecent exposure	
117 bias crime		265 acc/industrial	
120 bomb threat		268 Internet crime	
125 bribery		270 intoxicated driver	
130 burglary	4	275 intoxicated person	1
135 burglary in progress		278 juvenile incident noncriminal	
139 check welfare	5	280 kidnap	
140 child abuse		282 k9 assist	
141 civil process	1	285 landlord tenant dispute	
145 civil dispute		290 larceny misd	3
148 contribute to delinquency minor		295 larceny fel	2
150 controlled substance offense		300 larceny in progress	
151 Community Oriented Pol Prjct	1	301 local law viol	
155 counterfeiting		305 lockout	12
160 criminal mischief	2	310 lost check	
161 crim poss weapon		315 lost plate	
162 crim trespass		320 lost person	

AUGUST 2013

CHIEF W.J.MCGRATH

SHANDAKEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

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325 lost property	2	435 stolen property	1
330 mail tampering		440 suicide	
335 manslaughter		444 suspicious activity	6
340 marihuana	1	445 suspicious fire	
345 medical	14	448 suspicious noise	
350 menacing		450 suspicious person	4
353 mental health	1	455 suspicious vehicle	
355 missing person		460 theft of services	
360 mv theft		465 traffic hazard	2
361 navigation crime		466 traffic post	2
362 navigation non crime		470 train derailment	
363 narcotic investigation		475 trespass	5
365 neighbor dispute	4	476 unwanted subject	2
370 noise complaint	5	480 unattended death	
372 personnel compl		485 unauthorized use mv	
375 pubic offense		490 unknown disturbance	
378 open door	1	495 unlawful imprisonment	
380 panic alarm		497 unl poss noxious substance	
383 promote prison contraband		500 unregistered mv	
385 prostitution		504 vehicle repossession	1
390 rape		505 VTL complaint	15
395 reckless endangerment		510 violate order of protection	
399 recover property		515 warrant arrest	
400 request patrol	12	517 water emergency	
401 request for assistance	8	518 warrant execution seizure	
405 robbery		519 warrant execution eviction	
410 runaway		520 warrant execution search	
411 serve op		523 weapon seizure ct order	
412 security check	28	525 wires down	1
413 school violence		531 workplace viol domestic	
414 serve paper		532 workplace viol emp/emp	
415 sex offense		533 workplace viol client	
417 sex offender offense		534 workplace viol client/client	
420 sexual abuse		535 school incident	
421 sex harass spousal domestic		550 zero tolerance	
422 sex harass empl/employ		900 other	
423 sex harass client/ employee		901 urgent	
424 sex harass client/client		911 e911 call	7
425 shots fired	1		
430 special assignment		TOTAL CALLS HANDLED	208
Violations	1	Uniform Traffic Tickets	12
Misdemeanors	4	Parking Tickets	4
Felonies	0		
Total Arrests	5	Total nysdmv cleared at court	18
Total Charges	9	Total monies collected from fines	\$1,340.00

AUGUST 2013

Vehicle Report Odometer	Miles	New Investigations	22
100219/83 Chevy Impala	1562	Closed Investigations	9
19977/84 Ford PPV	4102	Open Investigations	8
64643/85 Chevy Trailblazer	496	Closed Investigations w/arrests	5
95454/86 Ford Exploder	258	Closed Investigation warrant adv	0
151401/87 Ford Crown Victoria	589		
Total Miles Patroled	7007		

TOWN OF SHANDAKEN AMBULANCE SERVICE



PO BOX 91 PHOENICIA, NY 12464

August 2013 Report

Total calls received- 44

Mutual aid given- 8 (4-Town of Lexington, 3-Town of Olive, 1-Margaretville)

Mutual aid received- 1 (Multiple calls in District)

Tonight we see an additional resolution to hire a part-time Paramedic as two additional Paramedics have found work elsewhere. We welcome Melvin Harrington to our team- who brings us over twenty years of experience in EMS and Firefighting, as well as instructor certifications in both. We would also like to thank Ernie Quick and Matthew Goodnow for their service and wish them best of luck in the future.

August also saw the completion of another successful Shandaken Day- albeit we may have not come home with the Shandaken Cup we came back with much, much more. This year we handled two simultaneous Advanced Life Support calls in the District on two separate occasions, handled two major trauma calls that were both physically and emotionally challenging, and maintained a presence at the Town event all day- educating the public about who we are, what we do, and how we do it.

We also celebrated full time EMT Ernest Longhi Sr.'s twenty years of Service to the Town, complete with merit from the Office of the County Executive. This past particular Saturday without a doubt proves that the Town of Shandaken Ambulance is committed to our craft- and is good at it. I personally could not be more proud of the professionalism exemplified by crews that day and every day- the Town of Shandaken is truly fortunate to have such a dedicated crew.



UNIT NUMBER	MILEAGE	TOTAL
7850	64797	1310
7851	62351	154
625	28262	1974
626	87566	759

Stay safe out there!

Richard W. Muellerleile
Chief, Town of Shandaken Ambulance Service

Committed To Care In The Heart Of The Catskills

Supervisor Report August 2013

Lieu of Taxes	\$	5,000.00
U.C. Sales Tax	\$	32,107.56
Phoenicia Water Dist. Interest	\$	7.73
Ambulance Fees	\$	5,916.87
Phoenicia Library Rent		\$300.00
Phoenicia Library Electric(reimbursement)		
Justice Fees	\$	9,929.95
Town Clerk Fees	\$	195.75
Police Fees	\$	60.00
Building Permit Fees	\$	525.00
Zoning Fees	\$	200.00
Dog Licenses	\$	98.50
Mariner Tower	\$	762.20
Phoenicia Water Rents		
Highway Interest	\$	163.70
Supervisor's Interest		
Health Reimbursement	\$	2,054.00
Fuel Reimbursement	\$	16,593.50
Recreation Donation		
Pine Hill Water Rents		
Recycling reimbursement	\$	50.64
Parks & Recreation fees	\$	100.00
NYS DEC Smart Growth Grant	\$	9,346.00
NYS DEC Greenway Grant	\$	3,275.92
Total	\$	86,687.32

RESOLUTION # 119-13

OFFERED BY: Jordan

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	\$ 40,325.90
Highway	39,761.29
Phoenicia Water	4,854.75
Pine Hill Water	816.91
Phoenicia Lights	867.79
Chichester Lights	130.35
Pine Hill Lights	511.07

AND MOVES ITS ADOPTION

Seconded by: Higley

Roll Call: 4 Ayes, 1 Absent (Bernstein)

RESOLUTION #120-13

OFFERED BY Stanley

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN
A ONE-YEAR EXTENSION FOR SMART GROWTH GRANT**

WHEREAS, the Town of Shandaken has been awarded a Smart Growth Grant through the NYS-DEC; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Shandaken has started work through this grant including Pavilion Repairs at Glenbrook Park, New Town-wide Welcome Signage and Informational Kiosks; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Shandaken anticipates this work to continue over the next year,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Shandaken hereby authorizes the Supervisor to sign an agreement extending the Grant period for an additional one-year period.

AND MOVES ITS ADOPTION

Seconded by: Bartlett

Roll Call: 4 Ayes, 1 Absent (Bernstein)

RESOLUTION #121-13

OFFERED BY Higley

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING NO CAMPAIGN SIGNAGE
UNTIL AFTER COLUMBUS DAY (October 14, 2013)**

WHEREAS, the Town of Shandaken recognizes the importance of preserving its natural beauty and viewscapes 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, October 14, 2013.

AND MOVE ITS ADOPTION

Seconded by: Stanley

Roll Call: 4 Ayes, 1 Absent (Bernstein)

RESOLUTION #122-13

OFFERED BY Bartlett

RECOGNIZING TOWN CLERK AS TOWN INFORMATION OFFICE

WHEREAS, The Town Clerk acknowledges that an online presence is a huge asset to our Town; for posting information regarding Town events & happenings, as well as Emergencies & during extended outages.

WHEREAS, The Town Clerk recognizes the importance of quickly distributing emergency information and safety information to the public.

WHEREAS, the Town Clerks office can offer consistent coverage of events and information and post on a regular basis to keep town information up to date.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Town Board hereby appoints the Town Clerk's office as Town of Shandaken Public Information Office - whose duties will include: Town Website Posting, Facebook Administrator, Posting on Google Town Events Calendar & Liaison to Channel 23 Public Access TV.

AT NO ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION. *During State of Emergencies, postings will have prior approval from Emergency Response Command Control Unit.

AND MOVE ITS ADOPTION

Seconded by: Jordan

Roll Call: 4 Ayes, 1 Absent (Bernstein)

RESOLUTION # 123 -13

OFFERED BY Jordan

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LEASE FOR HIGHWAY TRUCK

WHEREAS, the Town of Shandaken Highway Department lost several vehicles earlier this year due to fire, and

WHEREAS, the Town Highway Department is purchasing a 2013 International Tri-Axle Chassis with Viking Dump, and

WHEREAS, in the interest of lessening the impact on the taxpayers of the Town the Town Board wishes to amortize the cost of this vehicle over a period of five years,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Shandaken Town Board authorize the Town Supervisor to enter into agreement with First Niagara Leasing, Inc. located in Albany, NY for the annual lease amount of \$22,095.85 (twenty –two thousand ninety five dollars and eighty five cents) with installment payments to be made annually starting 2014 and ending 2018.

AND MOVE ITS ADOPTION

Seconded by: Stanley

Roll Call: 4 Ayes, 1 Absent (Bernstein)

RESOLUTION # 124 -13

OFFERED BY Stanley

HIRING AMBULANCE PERSONNEL

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 be appointed to the Shandaken Town Ambulance:

Part Time Paramedic: \$189.11 per 12 hour shift, including trips - Melvin Harrington

AND MOVE ITS ADOPTION

Seconded by: Jordan

Roll Call: 4 Ayes, 1 Absent (Bernstein)

RESOLUTION # 125-13

OFFERED BY Higley

ACCEPT PLANNING BOARD RESIGNATION

WHEREAS, Joan Munster, has submitted a resignation letter to the Town of Shandaken for her position with Town of Shandaken Planning Board; and

WHEREAS, the Town would like to advertise for the opening Planning Board Member.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Shandaken hereby accepts Joan Munster's resignation from the Town of Shandaken Planning Board and the Town will immediately advertise for the vacant position.

AND MOVE ITS ADOPTION

Seconded by: Jordan

Roll Call: 4 Ayes, 1 Absent (Bernstein)

Signed this 10th day of September, 2013

Joyce Grant – Town Clerk