

**Town of Knox
Town Board Meeting
September 13, 2016**

PRESENT: Supervisor Lefkaditis
Councilwoman Pokorny
Councilman Kuck
Councilman Barber
Councilman Barcomb

ALSO: Town Attorney Dorfman
Town Clerk Murphy
Highway Superintendent Salisbury

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Lefkaditis reminded residents that if they had something they would like to discuss to let him know so it could be added to the agenda.

Planning Board Chairman Bob Price mentioned that he would like to add a discussion about the process for the Planning Board to work with the Town Attorney to give legal review to town projects.

Supervisor Lefkaditis added the item to 6c – New Business.

Item 3 – Consent to Agenda: Supervisor Lefkaditis asked if anyone wanted anything removed, with no comments Supervisor Lefkaditis moved to have the minutes from the 8.3.16 special meeting removed for further discussion.

RESOLUTION # 164-2016 – REMOVE MINUTES FROM 8.3.16 SPECIAL MEETING FROM CONSENT AGENDA FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION

On motion of Supervisor Lefkaditis, seconded by Councilman Barcomb, the following resolution was carried unanimously.

RESOLVED to remove minutes from 8.3.16 special meeting from Consent Agenda for further discussion.

RESOLUTION # 165-2016 – APPROVE MINUTES FROM 8.9.16 MEETING AND 9.1.16 SPECIAL MEETING.

On motion of Councilman Barcomb, seconded by Supervisor Lefkaditis, the following resolution was carried unanimously.

RESOLVED to approve minutes from 8.9.16 meeting and 9.1.16 special meeting.

Supervisor Lefkaditis stated that minutes from 8.3.16 were incorrectly typed up and that motion 150 should read to “approve existing newsletter with addition of CDTA phone number and reference to email updates and email vs. paper distribution.” He

requested that a motion be made to approve the 8.3.16 minutes with this change and asked for a second. There was no second.

Councilwoman Pokorny made a motion to approve minutes as presented, seconded by Councilman Barcomb.

Supervisor Lefkaditis suggested the board tabling this until next meeting when he would like to play the audio so the audience can hear it for accuracy purposes. He stated to the board don't be shy people a motion is a motion and the audio is there. I sent it to the Clerk and she refused to change it. I'll play for the audience, what do you want to do.

Town Clerk Murphy responded that she has the transcript of the audio and has reviewed that and her notes and believes the minutes are accurate as presented.

Supervisor Lefkaditis responded duly noted, we'll play the audio at the meeting with or without this motion and asked the board, what do you want to do.

Councilman Barber asked if this should be discussed in executive session.

Supervisor Lefkaditis responded no, nothing executive about this, not contracted.

Councilman Barcomb asked what part would be played.

Supervisor Lefkaditis stated that it would be real quick, 6 seconds worth, and suggested that the board table this and make determination later after the audio is played, stating he believes the audio is a little more accurate than notes.

Councilman Barcomb responded that it depends, a longer version would should the context.

Supervisor Lefkaditis responded the Clerk asked a question, (paraphrasing) the motion is as discussed above or more specific; I said no I would like a specific motion and gave specific motion.

Town Clerk Murphy responded I could read the transcript because that is not accurate.

Supervisor Lefkaditis stated he has the audio and would like to play it; it's not an unreasonable request. I don't think the Clerk should take freedom with putting minutes slanted one way or another.

Clerk Murphy responded and was interrupted by the Supervisor who stated, which is my opinion; I'm entitled to my opinion. If we have the audio there is no disputing it.

Councilwoman Pokorny stated that Town Clerk Murphy is often left to reconstruct a motion based on the intent of the discussion.

Supervisor Lefkaditis responded that the question was asked, would you like it to be specific and I stated a specific motion. We cannot use minutes to reflect what we wanted to say or what we thought we said. It was voted on 5 to 0. The question was asked, I said yeah and said it on audio.

Councilman Kuck asked if the changes were made. It appears that stipulations were not adhered to and paid for by taxpayer's money.

Supervisor Lefkaditis responded that Kuck's comments are based on his understanding of the incorrect resolution and suggested the motion is recorded appropriately, which we are obligated to do, and play audio; if you want to make changes after you can do that.

Councilman Barcomb stated that the newsletter has been an idea of Councilman Barber's for years and this town newsletter was turned into something political; embarrassing the town with quotes in the paper; pretty sad; the feedback from residents is that it was political in nature and not appropriate.

Supervisor Lefkaditis responded that if he read the minutes the board approved that there was no political slant to the newsletter; are you changing your statement.

Councilman Barcomb responded that the intent was very clear what changes the board wanted because you were very upset, and you did what you wanted to do.

Supervisor Lefkaditis responded that a specific motion was made, it was altered, what do you want to do.

Attorney Dorfman stated that a motion was made to confirm the minutes and seconded, at some point the discussion has to end and the board has to vote on the motion.

Supervisor Lefkaditis asked Attorney Dorfman to re-state his comment on what a motion is.

Attorney Dorfman stated that the motion that was made; the wording of the motion is appropriate.

Supervisor Lefkaditis replied please put in the minutes this time Tara.

RESOLUTION # 166-2016 - APPROVE MINUTES FROM 8.3.16 SPECIAL MEETING AS PRESENTED.

On motion of Councilwoman Pokorny, seconded by Councilman Barcomb, the following resolution was carried 4 Ayes (Pokorny, Kuck, Barcomb, Barber) to 1 Nay (Lefkaditis)

RESOLVED to approve minutes from 8.3.16 special meeting as presented.

Councilwoman Pokorny suggested that Town Clerk Murphy could be given a chance to read back motions before a vote is taken.

Attorney Dorfman suggested that to avoid this kind of issue in the future it would be better if a motion were made it is made in writing.

Supervisor Lefkaditis asked if he meant write down and hand to Tara; I'm not going to do that. You don't have discrepancies when you have audio, what are we talking about here. Whatever was said was said, whatever was voted on was voted on, forget putting your personal slant and opinions into it, there's an audiotape.

Councilman Barber asked if the audio supersedes the motion that was written down.

Supervisor Lefkaditis responded, Attorney Dorfman stated that whatever the motion is, it has to be recorded appropriately. So if the audiotape doesn't coincide with what the minutes say they are then, yes, of course, it supersedes it. It's okay, we'll catch it at the next meeting.

4A – Liasons Report:

CAC – Councilman Kuck reported that the CAC is discussion water contamination issues for the proposed business district on Route 156. They also discussed the need for the board to begin enforcing scrap vehicles and blighted property issues around town.

PB – Supervisor Lefkaditis reported that the planning board is continuing to work on the Borrego Solar project and commended them on holding 2 special meetings to keep things moving along.

Youth Services – Councilman Barber reported that the youth council would have a September meeting to discuss the playground project as well as the Halloween event.

ZBA – Councilwoman Pokorny reported that no applications have come before the Zoning Board of Appeals, so no business this week.

4B – Section 8 Housing – future agenda item, representative could not make this meeting.

4C – Dog Permitting – Lou Saddlemire requested to meet with 2 board members to discuss ideas for dog license process and survey. Councilman Barber and Councilwoman Pokorny volunteered to meet with Lou.

4D – Senior Services – Supervisor Lefkaditis reported on programs that Charlotte Fuss has been working on.

1. Community Development Block Grant – money available to seniors who need home improvements.
2. County wide Life Time Achievement Award in recognition of Delia Palombo of Knox being given at ceremony on October 30th
3. Home Visiting Physicians are available to seniors who cannot travel to appointments. Call to learn more, packets of information in the Town Clerk's office.

Councilman Barber stated that he has spoken with Charlotte about how hot it can get in the Senior Center and that air conditioners are needed.

Supervisor Lefkaditis responded that the space was too large for air conditioners and would talk further with Town of Berne Supervisor.

5A – Highway Report: Superintendent Salisbury reported that Craven Road is completed after concerns about loose stone. Stone was removed after chip seal, much smoother now, and will have to be re-sealed in spots in the spring.

5B – FEMA: Fourth piece of equipment was delivered - Wheeled Excavator. Still waiting on the trailer, manufacturer keeps delaying order. Supervisor Lefkaditis asked about

money due for backhoe, approximately \$150,000. Available FEMA funds equal around \$104,000 and the remaining money can come from BAN or take out of the equipment line item. Supervisor Lefkaditis recommended using the equipment line item because there are no other scheduled purchases for the year and funds area available.

RESOLUTION # 167-2016 – AUTHORIZE USE OF AVAILABLE FEMA FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$104,000 AND REMAINING FUNDS FROM EQUIPMENT LINE ITEM DA5130.2 FOR PURCHASE OF BACKHOE

On motion of Supervisor Lefkaditis, seconded by Councilman Barber, the following resolution was carried unanimously.

RESOLVED to authorize use of available FEMA funds in the amount of \$104,000 and remaining funds from equipment line item DA5130.2 for purchase of backhoe.

5C – Cameras for Highway Garage & Transfer Station: Councilman Kuck and Bob Price going to meet with Highway garage and Transfer Station to discuss, move to future agenda item for further discussion.

Councilman Barcomb asked about the sales of any old equipment. Superintendent Salisbury reported that a down payment has been made on the 450 truck for a final sale of \$9,100 net to the town and the old backhoe is being advertised now.

6A - Budget Calendar: The board discussed the upcoming 2017 budget workshop scheduled for Tuesday, September 27, 2016 at 7pm and a second date of Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at 7pm, if needed. The tentative vote would be at the regular Board Meeting on October 11, 2016 with a final vote at the November meeting.

RESOLUTION # 168-2016 – AUTHORIZE ADVERTISING OF 2017 BUDGET WORKSHOPS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2016 AT 7PM AND OCTOBER 4, 2016, IF NEEDED

On motion of Supervisor Lefkaditis, seconded by Councilman Barber, the following resolution was carried unanimously.

RESOLVED to authorize advertising of 2017 budget workshops scheduled for Tuesday, September 27, 2016 at 7pm and October 4, 2016, if needed.

Councilwoman Pokorny acknowledged receipt of a salary chart of the Town Clerk Salary for the last 10 years, whereas the Town Clerk received an almost annual raise of 3%. Since 2014 there has been no increase for this position and suggested that a cost of living catch up was a valid request that should be considered at the upcoming budget meeting.

6B – Upcoming Appointments: Councilman Barcomb discussed the open Planning Board positions and suggested that Dan Driscoll's position be filled as soon as possible. Applications should be reviewed and fill position now. There are good candidates and they should be considered. Barcomb questioned the success of the public interview process last time and suggested that a committee review the resumes and make a decision.

Councilwoman Pokorny added that it would be shame to disqualify folks that may not be comfortable or intimidated by the process.

Councilman Kuck stated that he received similar feedback from individuals.

Supervisor Lefkaditis stated that the feedback he received was that it was excellent, people loved it, they liked the open process, it was great.

Councilman Kuck suggested making a motion to change the process to a resume review and private interview by committee.

Resident Anna Wolfe stated she liked seeing the candidates and thought it worked really well.

Councilman Barcomb suggested inviting interested candidates to the next board meeting and asking questions then.

Supervisor Lefkaditis asked how do you do that? It doesn't work, a special meeting should be held and interview publically.

Resident Dee Woessner suggested letting candidates research and submit answers in writing which is more like the process of the planning board.

Councilman Kuck acknowledged that the board wants the most qualified candidates and some may not do well in public setting.

Councilman Barcomb added that on the planning board a lot of research is done outside, we need someone who can do that amount of research outside of a meeting.

Chairman Bob Price added that planning board members do a lot of research outside of meetings; there's a lot of effort that goes on not at meeting.

Councilman Barber suggested the same public format but this time with questions given ahead of time.

Supervisor Lefkaditis agreed that this was a good compromise.

Resident Dana Sherman asked who appoints planning board members, to which the supervisor responded the Town Board.

Resident Kenny Saddlemire stated that the guidelines have to be the same for everyone interested.

Supervisor Lefkaditis suggested holding a special meeting with questions given in advance as a compromise.

Councilman Barcomb added that he'd rather see someone do research then discuss off the cuff, decisions aren't made that way on the planning board, they're made through planning and research.

Kenny Saddlemire responded that you get to see a person's character with a public process.

Councilman Barcomb stated you could also see how much time they put into research, which will show character as well.

Attorney Dorfman affirmed with the board that there are 5 elected board members which has the responsibility to appoint board members and the process of meeting with someone is what is done to appoint, not done for the camera in front of others. This is what elected officials are here to do, this is orderliness for the board, not keeping the public out, it is not what the public thinks it is what the board thinks.

Supervisor Lefkaditis responded that the open process helped the town board form decision, it's not political it helps inform the decision.

Attorney Dorfman stated that he doesn't know of any town that does it this way.

Anna Lefkaditis stated that the School Board members are interviewed by a committee of public and make recommendation to board.

Supervisor Lefkaditis asked if Councilman Barber's compromise was acceptable.

Councilman Barber confirmed the compromise would be to come before the board in a public meeting with prepared questions as well as questions at the meeting.

Supervisor Lefkaditis stated that he doesn't see the need to fill this position, there is no rush.

Bob Price suggested looking into what other towns do.

Supervisor Lefkaditis responded that it is a zero-sum game; all depends on whether you agree with what the town does.

Councilman Barber suggested waiting a month to research what other towns are doing but is leaning towards same process. A motion was suggested to have same process with some prepared questions ahead of time as well as question that evening.

RESOLUTION # 169-2016 – AUTHORIZE SAME PLANNING BOARD INTERVIEW PROCESS WITH SOME PREPARED QUESTIONS AHEAD OF TIME AS WELL AS QUESTIONS THAT EVENING

On motion of Councilman Barber, seconded by Supervisor Lefkaditis, the following resolution FAILED with 3 Nays (Pokorny, Kuck, Barcomb) and 2 AYES (Lefkaditis, Barber).

Councilman Barcomb stated that last time there was an excellent candidate that couldn't make the meeting and don't want to limit the board to this. A motion was suggested to formally invite any planning board candidate to October Town Board meeting for questions from the board and resumes distributed for review by Town Board members beforehand.

Supervisor Lefkaditis suggested giving it a month to circulate resumes, have a special meeting to be set at the October meeting. Motion was removed.

Resident Ed Ackroyd asked if there is a list of what the board is looking for in a candidate.

Supervisor Lefkaditis asked who's coming up with qualifications.

Dana Sherman suggested that a job description be written by planning board members.

Supervisor Lefkaditis asked Chairman Bob Price to send a list of skills to be circulated by the October meeting.

Councilman Barcomb stated that he would be looking for diversity, time availability, variety of perspective and willingness to give time.

6C – Added Item from Planning Board – Chairman Bob Price asked that the planning board get approval to discuss town projects with the town attorney so paperwork can be reviewed in a timely manner.

Attorney Dorfman stated that if the information comes directly from the planning board he can review documents, however if it comes directly from a vendor such as Borrego, it is not okay for him to review the documents.

7A – Proclamation for Dan Driscoll, read by Councilman Barcomb

HONORING and remembering Daniel Driscoll for his selfless dedication, service and contributions to the Town of Knox, New York

WHEREAS, Daniel Driscoll wrote the Town of Knox's first zoning in 1974; and

WHEREAS, Daniel Driscoll served on the Town of Knox's Planning Board for forty one years since it was formed in 1975; and

WHEREAS, Daniel Driscoll served as the Chairperson for the Town's Planning Board from 1978 until 1989; and

WHEREAS, Daniel Driscoll encouraged the Town of Knox to form a Conservation Advisory Council, to advise the Town's boards regarding its natural resources; and

WHEREAS, In 1989, Daniel Driscoll helped the Town of Knox develop its first comprehensive plan; and

WHEREAS, In the 1990's Daniel Driscoll organized the Heldeberg Escarpment Planning Committee and served as its Chairman which led to the Open Space Institute acquiring several large parcels of land in the Heldebergs which would eventually become part of John Boyd Thacher State Park; and

WHEREAS, Daniel Driscoll built the "musical bridge" at the Wolf Creek Falls Preserve in the Town of Knox; and

WHEREAS, Daniel Driscoll played the French horn with the Knox Town Band, and the tin whistle and other instruments with the Traditional Strings; and

WHEREAS, Daniel Driscoll organized a fife and drum corps for the national Bicentennial celebration in 1976 by learning to play the instruments and then teaching the other members; and

WHEREAS, Daniel Driscoll helped found and served as president of the Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy, which has acquired and preserved open space in the area including several preserves in the Town of Knox; and

WHEREAS, Daniel Driscoll served as steward for the Wynn Preserve on Street Road in the Town of Knox; and

WHEREAS, Daniel Driscoll has mentored and guided several Boy Scout Troop 79 scouts through Eagle Scout projects that have benefited the Town of Knox; and

WHEREAS, Daniel Driscoll helped collect and share rhizomes of the hops raised in the Heldebergs which led to Indian Ladder Farms honoring him and the Town of Knox with an IPA Beer named after him; and

WHEREAS, Daniel Driscoll and his wife, Maureen Driscoll raised two daughters in the Town of Knox; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of the Knox Town Board to publicly recognize Daniel Driscoll for his selfless dedication, contributions and service to the Town of Knox ; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Knox Town Board is pleased to honor and remember Daniel Driscoll for his selfless dedication, service and contributions to the Town of Knox; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the original Resolution, suitably endorsed and executed, be delivered to Daniel Driscoll's family and a copy be sent to Governor Andrew Cuomo and President Barack Obama.

**ADOPTED IN KNOX, NEW YORK
SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2016**

*By the order of the Knox Town
Supervisor, Vasilios Lefkaditis;*

RESOLUTION # 170-2016 – ACCEPT PROCLAMATION IN HONOR OF DANIEL DRISCOLL AS READ

On motion of Supervisor Lefkaditis, seconded by Councilman Barber, the following resolution was carried unanimously.

RESOLVED to accept proclamation in honor of Daniel Driscoll as read.

7B – Climate Smart Grant: Councilwoman Pokorny circulated a proposed local law for benchmarking municipal energy use. Robyn Reynolds explained that this local law established energy benchmarking (energy log) of all town buildings to be reviewed and compared with other communities. This is one of the steps towards the grant.

Supervisor Lefkaditis asked if this was a standalone law or something that would need to be added to the zoning ordinance.

Councilwoman Pokorny added that a Public Hearing would need to be scheduled to consider this Local Law.

RESOLUTION # 171-2016 – AUTHORIZE ADVERTISEMENT OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERATION OF LOCAL LAW TO ESTABLISH ENERGY BENCHMARKING TO BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2016 AT 7PM.

On motion of Councilwoman Pokorny, seconded by Councilman Kuck, the following resolution was carried unanimously.

RESOLVED to authorize advertisement of Public Hearing for the purpose of consideration of Local Law to Establish Energy Benchmarking, to be held on Wednesday, November 9, 2016 at 7pm.

Councilwoman Pokorny reported that the town is moving forward on other requirements of the grant including hosting a Solarize Albany meeting. Data is being collected on households that have signed up and we are close to number needed, which is 10 households. A meeting has been set with the Building Inspector to get started on the Energy Code Enforcement Training. Councilwoman Pokorny and Councilman Kuck will attend as well. The next step would be to adopt the Unify Solar Permit.

Attorney Dorfman stated that a public hearing would not be necessary for this step, however he suggested checking with the Planning Board to be sure that it does not interfere with the town's zoning ordinance.

Chairman Bob Price responded that this is only for residential solar which is highly regulated so it should not interfere with local ordinance.

Councilwoman Pokorny explained that the Unify Solar Permit standardizes the application process for solar installation to expedite the process on roof mounted systems only.

Bob Price stated that this should be approved even if the zoning ordinance has to be changed in the future.

Councilwoman Pokorny read a proposed resolution.

Supervisor Lefkaditis stated that he had no objection to this but would like time to review for next meeting. Councilwoman Pokorny withdrew the motion.

7C – Household Hazardous Waste: Councilwoman Pokorny reported that this was a successful event with 60 residents from Knox attending and 53 from Berne. This equates to 53% of the bill being paid by Knox and 47% by the Town of Berne. The total cost of the event was \$16,648.39. Total with 50% DEC grant is \$8,616.47. Knox to pay \$4828.98 and Town of Berne to pay \$3,787.49. Supervisor Lefkaditis asked Town Clerk Murphy to send an invoice to the town of Berne for the amount of \$3,787.49

7E – Property Amnesty Program: Attorney Dorfman and Supervisor Lefkaditis met with Dan Sherman to discuss enforcement of zoning ordinance. Attorney Dorfman

stated that the town always had the means to enforce, however now we are more aware of the properties and gathering names of absentee mortgage holders.

Supervisor Lefkaditis stated that in the past if Dan determined a building to be dangerous the town could take it down, however now Albany County is rejecting bills from municipalities for this work. If a property is hazardous please bring the Knox Building Inspector's attention.

7F – LED proposal: Councilwoman Pokorny reported that the board received a proposal for replacing the lights in the town hall, maintenance building, and highway garage, and concession stand. An updated proposal is needed for the transfer station. The Town Hall & Maintenance Building would take 39 months to pay back the cost of replacing lights with LED. The highway garage would take 63.5 months to pay back and the Concession stand would take 28 months to pay back. Electrical contractors would retrofit and change out all lights to LED. The change would not change the cash flow very much if at all.

Councilman Kuck asked if this would help towards the climate smart grant.

Supervisor Lefkaditis stated that the proposals are not accurate numbers and proposed that the Town hire a contractor to do this ourselves and would probably see a bigger savings.

7G – Newsletter email: Councilwoman Pokorny reported that the newsletter that went out had an email address on the back page; to go paperless send email address to knoxnewsny@gmail.com. Councilwoman Pokorny stated that she has a problem with this email because it is not a town email address, it's a gmail address, and our domain is knoxny.org. People think they are sending it to the town, but they are sending it to Vas and Anna.

Supervisor Lefkaditis replied that an email address should be created – knoxnewsletter@knoxny.org and changed on the newsletter.

Councilwoman Pokorny asked what about all the people who have sent to this address

Supervisor Lefkaditis responded, we'll add them to the list, there were maybe 8.

Councilman Barcomb requested that the online version be fixed on the website.

Supervisor Lefkaditis responded that first the email address needs to be created and then he'll have Anna change the file and send to Town Clerk Murphy.

Fall Festival: Supervisor Lefkaditis reported that this was a successful event with around 500 attending. \$400 was netted by the town and Supervisor Lefkaditis thanked a list of volunteers who helped at the event.

- Laura Pasquini and Anna Lefkaditis for being the architects of the event and doing all the heavy lifting.
- Lou Saddlemire who without fail is always there to prep the grounds and assist whenever needed.

- Knox and Berne Highway Departments specifically Gary Salisbury, Matt Schanz, Randy Bashwinger and Josh Gebe for the use of heavy equipment, help with signs, rubbish control and porta potty's.
- Knox Fire Company & more specifically Chief Vinson & Dave Poole for the donation of radios and a light tower.
- Milton CAT for the donation of light towers.
- Patroon Land Farm, Antonino & Antonina Longo, Denise & Jeff Hoffman for the labor and materials to help set up the morning of the event.
- The Albany County Sheriff's office and the Helderberg Ambulance for being on standby to address any 1st response concerns.
- Gerry Lefkaditis for doing anything and everything he was asked to do.
- Jerome Springer, Bill Pasquini, Sandra Quay, Mike Sikuli, Kiki Lefkaditis, and Joan Adriance for braving the heat and standing for hours on end welcoming visitors and directing traffic.
- Amy Anderson for consulting and sharing her Fair experience
- Empire Amusement for squeezing the Town of Knox into their schedule on short notice.

Councilwoman Pokorny commented that everyone did a wonderful job, however she was concerned that the board was not consulted about this or asked to help in any way.

Supervisor Lefkaditis responded that Laura Pasquini had come to several board meetings.

Councilman Barcomb stated that they all would have been willing to help but they were never included and comments from residents were that the town board said they wouldn't help which was not true, this was not the case. No emails were sent, could have gotten more volunteers.

Supervisor lefkaditis stated that plans for next year will include involvement from the Youth Council and the Town Board.

Councilman Barcomb suggested putting a call out for more volunteers on the website.

Supervisor Lefkaditis mentioned that there is more time to plan for next year's event so the board will have an opportunity to be more involved. An honorable mention was made for Rachel Empie for exemplifying small town character by offering food and drinks to the people running the rides.

Building Ban: Supervisor Lefkaditis explained that he spoke with KeyBank earlier in the week about one more year on the building BAN for town hall. A check for \$80,000 was sent to reduce the BAN, which is done annually, leaving a balance of \$479,981.00. Supervisor Lefkaditis explained that Key Bank offered an interest rate of 1.28%. The Bank of Greene County called and offered an interest rate of 1.0% which would save the town \$1,400.

Councilman Barcomb asked if KeyBank was told that we had a lower offer of 1%.

Councilwoman Pokorny asked if there is any reason to not go with the lower interest rate.

Supervisor Lefkaditis stated no a BAN is a BAN.

Attorney Dorfman asked if Kathy at KeyBank had been called to see if she could do better than the 1.28%.

Supervisor Lefkaditis responded that KeyBank started at 1.4% and the best they could do was 1.28%.

Attorney Dorfman explained that he would have to take time to write up the new BAN resolution to be read by the board.

Supervisor Lefkaditis stated that they would circle back around to it.

RESOLUTION 172-2016 - PAYMENT OF BILLS

On motion of Councilwoman Barber, seconded by Supervisor Lefkaditis, the following resolution was ADOPTED unanimously.

RESOLVED that the Bills be paid on General Abstract #09 of the General Fund, covering claims #233-264 in the amount of: \$24,906.14 and of the Highway Fund, covering claims #265-279 in the amount of: \$34,004.22 for the year 2016.

Councilman Barcomb stated that he has no problem paying the agreed upon salaries for the summer camp however in the future he would rather be pay someone from Knox or Berne instead of someone from Slingerlands.

RESOLUTION # 173-2016 - APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS

On motion of Councilman Barber, seconded by Councilman Kuck, the following resolution was ADOPTED unanimously.

RESOLVED that the Reports of the Town Clerk and Town Supervisor for the Month of August 2016 be approved.

Public Discussion:

Resident Dana Sherman wanted to thank the town board members who attended the 911 ceremony and encouraged everyone to continue to attend events such as this.

Resident John Grennon lives across from the Gun Club on Quay Road and explained to the board that membership has gone from 50 to over 300 members who are using high power rifles for up to 12 hours a day. He explained that this is disrespectful to those who live there. The caliber of rifles are crazy and being used just 50 feet off the road. He is requesting that a sound analysis be done or a schedule be set for quiet hours.

Councilwoman Pokorny responded that there have been complaints before about this.

Councilman Barcomb suggested that there must be a precedent set by other towns and believes a compromise could be made with reasonable expectations of hours of operation. Barcomb volunteered to contact the owners of the club to see if a compromise could be reached.

Supervisor Lefkaditis mentioned that he could not do it because he would like to join the gun club.

Attorney Dorfman presented the board with the prepared BAN.

Supervisor Lefkaditis read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Supervisor of the Town of Knox is hereby authorized to :

1. Pay the principal sum of \$ 80,000.00 and interest in the amount of \$8,840.54 through and including September 6, 2016 to Key Bank pursuant to the Bond Anticipatory Note executed by the Town of Knox on or about September 7, 2015.
2. Execute a one year Bond Anticipatory Note in the amount of \$479,981.00 to Bank of Greene County at an annual interest rate 1.00 per cent per annum.
3. Authorize the Town Attorney to execute an opinion of Counsel directed to Bank of Greene County setting forth the compliance by the Town of Knox of all statutory requirements for the issuance of a Bond Anticipation Note.
4. Execute a certain Bond Anticipation Note with Bank of Greene County in the amount of \$479,981.00 at an interest rate of 1.00 per cent for a period of one year commencing on or about September 14, 2016.

RESOLUTION # 174-2016 - APPROVE BOND ANTICIPATORY NOTE AS READ

On motion of Supervisor Lefkaditis, seconded by Councilman Barber, the following resolution was ADOPTED unanimously.

RESOLVED to approve the Bond Anticipatory Note as read.

With no further business, on a motion of Councilman Barcomb, seconded by Supervisor Lefkaditis, the meeting was adjourned to executive session to discuss litigation and contractual matter, not to reconvene at 10:07pm. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
September 28, 2016

Tara Murphy