

## Special Stonybrook Swim Club Meeting

June 2019  
Hillsdale Borough Hall

Meeting started at 7:35 p.m. Present were Mayor Ruocco, Councilwoman Abby Lundy and Borough Administrator, Jonathan DeJoseph, Chairman Roe Metz, Commissioners Dan Sullivan, Linda Parisi, Roseann Heytink and Patty Hughes, Pool Manager.

Mayor Ruocco thanked everyone for meeting tonight to address a comment from The Hillsdale Swimming Pool Commission that Jonathan was trying to sabotage the pool. The Mayor was hoping that it was an exaggeration and they don't want to see the pool disappear. The Borough Administrator just wants to see that the pool can make a profit.

The discussion tonight is in reaction to the commission's comments. Chairman Metz said the pool wants to make money but want more financial burdens forced on us especially the time clock that we are being forced to purchase. The payroll system is in place and has been working for all these years. The time clock would cost \$3,000 versus \$150 in time cards. The Finance Committee wanted it for risk reduction. Since there have not been any issues, and since the Commission was in agreement that we did not want to time clock that we did not have to get it. We are also being charged for Microsoft office, \$8 month, Right to Know requirements for \$462 and new phones. We are trying to make money so that we can move forward. A discussion followed.

There was an issue with the tree bill of \$11,800. Patty had gone over the tree work with the company that could be done for the \$4,000 purchase order that was cut in 2018. However, the bill came in at much more. The bill was reduced to \$7,800. Patty brought this to Jonathan's attention and he said that the bill had to be paid. Jonathan said we had to comply with the town's \$40,000 total vendor purchase order. Commissioner Parisi said we were overcharged on the trees even though vendor knew we only had \$4,000 and then the additional money had to come from our budget in 2019.

Mayor Ruocco said that the Commission's roll is independent as long as we stick to our budget. We have to purchase through the town's vendors.

There was a problem with the sewers at the club on Saturday, June 8, June 11, and June 14. The DPW was called in to help us get it cleaned up on Saturday but it happened again during the week. They returned on Wednesday and Mr. Rooter was also there and said there was another clog under the sidewalk by the snack bar and another line. The DPW was supposed to return on Thursday morning, but then Patty was notified by the DPW super that they would not be coming as they were advised by the Business Administrator. Patty

immediately called Barry Stein of B. Stein Excavating who was able to repair the line without disrupting the sidewalk. The total cost was \$3,800 plus DPW overtime costs (TBD). Chairman Metz asked that there be better communication between the BA to Patty.

A lengthy discussion followed concerning how long it take Patty to get approval to purchase supplies even though we are using the town's vendors. There was a delay in getting a new printer last year due to the BA requiring additional prices last year.

There needs to be greater communication between the BA and Patty. If he knows that we need new radios and we have approval, then he should just tell her Which vendor to use and to prepare purchase order for that vendor instead of getting three quotes over a week long period

Patty also brought up the fact that BA wants her to take Time Management course. Patty said she gave him paperwork in January for a February class and then again in May for a September class and she still has not heard from him.

Patty did say that she was able to get a check from the BA immediately for the new fryer that had to be replaced at the snack bar in a timely manner.

Submitted by:  
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