



Town Board
Special Meeting
March 22, 2024

The Town Board of the Town of Chester convened at the Town of Chester Municipal Center, 6307 State Route 9, Chestertown, New York, at 4:30 pm.

Roll Call:

Supervisor John Maday – Present
Deputy Supervisor Karen DuRose – Present
Councilman Chris Aiken – Absent
Councilperson Jenna Cooper – Present
Councilman Larry Turcotte – Absent
Town Clerk, Mindy Conway – Present

Special Meeting:

Supervisor Maday **opened** the Special Meeting at 4:36 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

RESOLUTION NO. 67 OF 2024: ACT ON HEALTH INSURANCE COMPANY FOR RETIREES

WHEREAS, Humana Group Medicare Advantage Plan will no longer be servicing the area after May 31, 2024,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board approves Anthem Medicare Advantage Plan PPO 5PH for retirees and authorizes the Town Supervisor to sign documents accepting the change, effective June 1, 2024.

On a motion by Councilperson Cooper, seconded by Councilwoman DuRose, Resolution No. 67 of 2024 was **ADOPTED**.

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RESOLUTION NO. 68 OF 2024: AUTHORIZE THE TOWN CLERK TO ADVERTISE FOR SAND BIDS

WHEREAS, the Town of Chester Highway Department desires to purchase sand for winter road maintenance,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Clerk is authorized to advertise for bids for an amount of sand set by the Highway Superintendent with a submission date by April 8, 2024, at 2 pm and will be publicly opened and read aloud April 8, 2024, at 2:00 pm at the Town Clerk's office. The Town Clerk will then submit the Bids and the recommendation of the Highway Superintendent to the Town Board for consideration and approval, if any, at its next regularly scheduled meeting, April 9, 2024.

On a motion by Councilwoman DuRose, seconded by Councilperson Cooper, Resolution No. 68 of 2024 was **ADOPTED**.

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RESOLUTION NO. 69 OF 2024: AUTHORIZE SUMMER HOURS OF OPERATION FOR LOON LAKE BOAT LAUNCH AND DECONTAMINATION STATION AND ACCEPT THE LOON LAKE BOAT LAUNCH SCHEDULE, POLICY, AND PROCEDURE

WHEREAS, the Town of Chester operates a public Boat Launch on Loon Lake, and

WHEREAS, the Loon Lake Boat Launch is staffed 7 days a week from mid-May to mid-October in order to carry out aquatic invasive plant inspections, boat decontamination, and management of launching and retrieval of watercraft, and

WHEREAS, the season maybe cut short due to the repairs on the dam,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board will not charge for the boat launch due to the shortened season, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Town Board authorizes the following schedule of operation, policy, and procedure:

2024 Hours of Operation:

- From Mother's Day to June 14th the launch hours:
Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday - 7 am to 6 pm; and
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday - 8 am to 5 pm.
- From June 15th to September 9th the launch hours:
7 am to 6 pm seven days a week
- From September 10th to Columbus Day the launch hours:
Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday - 7 am to 6 pm; and
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday - 8 am to 5 pm.

Policy:

- All watercraft being launched and retrieved at the Loon Lake Boat Launch shall be inspected by Boat Launch Attendants for aquatic invasive species
- Any boats being deemed contaminated shall be decontaminated before being launched. Contaminated boats being retrieved from the Loon Lake may be decontaminated before leaving the Boat Launch area
- Aquatic Invasive Species inspection and decontamination shall be provided for no fee regardless if the boat is to be launched at or retrieved from the Loon Lake Boat Launch

Procedures:

- Boat Launch Attendants shall carry out aquatic invasive species inspections on all watercraft before launching and after retrieving
- Boat Launch Attendants shall decontaminate all contaminated watercraft before the vessel is allowed to launch into Loon Lake

On a motion by Councilperson Cooper, seconded by Councilwoman DuRose, Resolution No. 69 of 2024 was **ADOPTED**.

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On a motion by Councilperson Cooper, seconded by Councilwoman DuRose, the meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm.

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Respectfully submitted,

Town Clerk