

Town Clerk Leonard J. Perfetti Town Board Rose A. Sotak, *Supervisor* Thomas R. Augostini, *Councilman* Frank J. Bertoni, *Councilman* Robert Mack, *Councilman* 

#### TOWN OF UNION BOARD MEETING

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#### August 9, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Union was held on Wednesday, August 9, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Board Room, 3111 East Main Street, Endwell, New York.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Rose A. Sotak, Councilman Frank J. Bertoni, Councilman Robert Mack. Absent: Councilman Thomas R. Augostini.

<u>TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT</u>: Town Attorney Alan J. Pope, Town Clerk Leonard J. Perfetti, Deputy Town Clerk Rebecca Kruczkowski.

Also in attendance were Planning Director Paul A. Nelson and Johnson City Mayor Greg Deemie.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.

BIDS: None.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Moved by Bertoni, seconded by Mack to approve the Minutes of the Regular Town of Union Board meeting held on Wednesday, July 12, 2017 and Special Meeting held on July 26, 2017. Carried.

#### HEARING OF VISITORS:

Victoria Croce, 1722 Farm to Market Road, Endwell, spoke about her property located at 988 Taft Avenue, Endwell that has become a wetland due to a storm drain that has never been cleaned.

Town Attorney Alan J. Pope said Broome County did an engineering study in the area and installed a new drain pipe to help alleviate the problem. He also said the Town cannot go onto County property to change or correct any work they have done.



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Councilman Frank J. Bertoni said Commissioner of Public Works Louis V. Caforio has been in contact with NYS DEC and the Army Corps of Engineers regarding this issue.

Michael Ferris, 208 Union Street, Johnson City and Don Campbell, 209 Union Street spoke about noise problems they are having with the neighbor and asked if the Town has a noise ordinance for Westover. He further said the police are at the problem house at least three times a week for complaints.

Town Attorney Alan J. Pope said the Town does have a noise ordinance and that they should talk to Deputy Commissioner of Public Works – Codes Daria Golazeski regarding enforcement of the code.

Councilman Robert Mack said these complaints might be able to be monitored under the new Town Lockdown Law.

Paul Gonzalez, 508 June Street, Endicott, spoke about the methane gas at the landfill and asked the Town to encourage the County to use it instead of selling it.

Deanna Caiti, 608 Anson Road, Endicott, asked what was being done on Watson Boulevard by the old IBM Country Club.

Supervisor Rose A. Sotak said that the floodwall closure is being installed.

Councilman Robert Mack explained the reason behind the installation.

Planning Director Paul A. Nelson said the funding for the project came from multiple agencies.

Mitch Curatolo, 1010 Autumn Drive, Endwell, said he is pleased to see that Leonard Perfetti was appointed to the Clerk position and hopes it doesn't take long to fill the vacant Council position.

As no one else wished to speak, Supervisor Rose A. Sotak closed the first Hearing of Visitors.

#### COMMUNICATIONS FOR FILING:

Moved by Bertoni, seconded by Mack to receive and file the following Communications:

1. Charter Communications Notices – July 11, 20 & 28, 2017.



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2. Letter from Susan E. Reif, District Clerk, Union-Endicott Central School District, to Clerk Gail L. Springer, notifying of the names and addresses of the 2017-201 Union-Endicott Board of Education members.

3. Letter from New York State Department of State Records and Law Bureau, that Local Law No. 3 of 2017 (Rezoning of 1713, 1723 and 1727 Farm To Market Rd. from PUD to Suburban Single) has been filed.

4. Minutes of a Work Session and Regular Meeting of the Johnson City Village Board held on June 20, 2017 & July 18, 2017.

5. Endwell Fire District Audit Report for Fiscal Year 2016.

6. Letter from New York State Department of State Records and Law Bureau, that Local Law No. 4 (Establishing CCA Program) has been filed.

7. Letter from William T. O'Connell, Director Community Planning and Development Division. U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development regarding Fiscal Year 2017 Monitoring Review of the Disaster Recovery Grant (CDBG-DR) Program. Carried.

### COMMUNICATIONS FOR ACTION:

1. Moved by Bertoni, seconded by Mack to refer the copy of an email from Rinaldo Roma and Robert Koban to Broome County in reference to Brixius Creek Watershed, 1801 Utica St., Endwell, agreement with Broome County to use the entrance and parking lot area to Town Attorney Alan J. Pope and Commissioner of Public Works Louis V. Caforio. Carried.

2. Moved by Bertoni, seconded by Mack to refer the email from Rich Dixson requesting a streetlight that is missing be replaced on the 600 block of Dickson Street to Commissioner of Public Works Louis V. Caforio Carried.

3. Moved by Bertoni, seconded by Mack to refer the email from Rose DiVirgilio, ChHC, DiVirgilo Benefit Resources, LLC, 659 Main St., Johnson City, requesting the Town to speak with DOT to resolve the matter of concern due to the lack of curb after the intersection of Main St. and Evelyn St. were repaved to Commissioner of Public Works Louis V. Caforio. Carried.

4. Moved by Bertoni, seconded by Mack to approve and refer the email from Sharon McGuinness, Co-President, Park Manor Homeowners Association, requesting permission for the Association's block party on Saturday, August 26, 2017 (rain date August 27, 2017), for the upper part of Knoll Drive (1001 Knoll to 1017 Knoll) to be blocked off and for barricades to

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be delivered August 15, 2017 to Town Clerk Leonard J. Perfetti and Highway Superintendent Chester Kupiec.

Carried.

5. Moved by Bertoni, seconded by Mack to approve the letter from Rick Materese, Executive Director, Boys & Girls Club of Western Broome Family Center, to Supervisor Rose A. Sotak and the Town Councilmen requesting to have the fee waived for a park shelter at West Endicott Park (nearest the carousel) for an end of summer/beginning of school year celebration for our student patrons on Sunday, August 20, 2017 beginning at 3:00 P.M. and refer it to Commissioner of Public Works Louis V. Caforio. Carried.

6. Moved by Bertoni, seconded by Mack to refer the letter from Ronald D. Kimber, 305 Doyleson Ave., Endwell, to Supervisor Rose A. Sotak in reference to a tree that needs to be removed from the creek bed behind his house to Town Attorney Alan J. Pope, Commissioner of Public Works Louis V. Caforio and Highway Superintendent Chester Kupiec. Carried.

7. Moved by Bertoni, seconded by Mack to refer the email from Kristin Stiles, requesting use of the 17C Sports fields on September 16, 2017 to hold a benefit for Robert Vinson who was badly injured in a car accident and is at Upstate Medical Hospital for treatment to Commissioner of Public Works Louis V. Caforio and approve it contingent on his approval. Carried.

PETITIONS: None.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

Moved by Mack, seconded by Bertoni to approve the following 2017 Budget Transfers:

Decrease:	10 7145 2200	Office Equipment	\$ 500.00
Decrease:	10 7145 2500	Other Equipment	\$ 500.00
Increase:	10 7145 4462	Special Event Service	\$ 1,000.00

Carried.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to amend Chapter 151, Article IV Conduct, Miscellaneous Section §151-39 Aggressive Panhandling of the Zoning Code.) Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Mack. Vote: All yes. The Resolution was adopted.

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Moved by Bertoni, seconded by Mack authorizing the attendance of Community Development Coordinator Sara Zubalsky-Peer at the HUD sponsored CDBG training August 22 - 24, 2017 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. There is no cost for the training itself, which is being held in the HUD regional office. Authorization to include hotel costs (3 nights), tolls, parking, per diem meals at the Town rate and use of a Town vehicle. The estimated cost of training is \$850.00 and is an eligible expense under CDBG program guidelines and funding is available in the CDBG administrative budget line. Carried.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to approve the Community Development Block Grant Federal Fiscal Year 2017 Annual Action Plan as recommended by the Citizens Advisory Council for Community Development; and authorize the Supervisor or Deputy Supervisor to execute any and all documentation required to submit said plan to HUD.) Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Mack. Vote: All yes. The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes authorizing the sale of surplus vacant properties to Rajat Saha, 20 Lincoln Ave., Johnson City, NY 13790 for the amounts listed pursuant to his proposals dated 7/31/17.

Properties are located at:

194 St. Charles St., Johnson City, NY 13790 - Purchase price \$3,000 68 Roberts St., Johnson City, NY 13790 - Purchase price \$4,000 56 Cherry St., Johnson City, NY 13790 - Purchase price \$3,000

The sale of these properties is subject to a Permissive Referendum. The payments for these sales will be returned to the CDBG budget.) Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Mack.

The Resolution was adopted.

Vote: All yes.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to authorize Supervisor Rose A. Sotak to sign and execute upon Town Attorney approval the Refuse and Recycling Collection Agreement with Maine Endwell Central School District for the period of service 7/1/17 through 6/30/2018; at the sum of \$25,410.00 as approved by the Board of Education on 7/6/17.) Vote: All yes. Res. by Mack, seconded by Bertoni. The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes authorizing Supervisor Rose A. Sotak to sign the following documents in connection with the SAM Grant:

**Project Information Sheet** Grantee Certification **Project Certification** Completed and signed W-9



Grantee Questionnaire Financial Documentation SEQRA Documentation.) Res. by Mack, seconded by Bertoni. The Resolution was adopted.

Vote: All yes.

### HEARING OF VISITORS:

Paul Gonzalez, 508 June Street, Endicott, asked about the status of the EJ building.

Town Attorney Alan J. Pope gave an update.

As no one else wished to speak, Supervisor Rose A. Sotak closed the second Hearing of Visitors.

## DEPARTMENT REPORTS ON FILE IN THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE:

Moved by Bertoni, seconded by Mack to receive and file the following Department Reports:

- 1. Town of Union Planning Board Minutes June 13, 2017.
- 2. Permits Reports May and June 2017.
- Town of Union Planning Department Minor Site Plan Review Decision AT&T Mobility, 7 N. Seward Avenue, Endicott, Tax Map #141.20-8-8.2.
- 4. Town of Union Local Development Corporation Minutes April 27, 2017.
- 5. Town of Union State Transportation Assistance Expended Report December 31, 2016.
- 6. Town of Union Financial Report December 31, 2016.
- 7. Comptroller's Monthly Report July 31, 2017.
- Town of Union Code Office Decision Non-Conforming Use David McDonough, 1660 Union Center Maine Highway, SBL# 125.13-1-34.
  Carried.

At this time, Councilmen Frank R. Bertoni and Robert Mack congratulated Leonard J. Perfetti on his appointment to the Town Clerk position and said they look forward to working with him.



## ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Bertoni, seconded by Mack to adjourn the meeting. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 P.M.

LJP/bk

Leonard J. Perfetti Town Clerk