

Town Board

Rose A. Sotak, Supervisor Thomas R. Augostini, Councilman Frank J. Bertoni, Councilman Robert Mack, Councilman John M. Bernardo, Councilman

TOWN OF UNION BOARD MEETING

October 17, 2018

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Union was held on Wednesday, October 17, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Board Room, 3111 East Main Street, Endwell, New York.

<u>BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT</u>: Town Supervisor Rose A. Sotak, Councilman Thomas R. Augostini, Councilman Frank J. Bertoni, Councilman Robert Mack, Councilman John M. Bernardo.

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

Also in attendance were Johnson City Mayor Greg Deemie and Zoning Board of Appeals member Giuseppe Roberto.

Supervisor Rose A. Sotak opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.

BIDS: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to approve the Minutes of the Regular Town of Union Board Meeting held on Wednesday, October 3, 2018. Carried.

HEARING OF VISITORS:

Paul Gonzalez, 508 June Street, Endicott, spoke on behalf of Mitch Curatolo, stating that there is a sewer grate by Mitch's house that has been marked for repair has not been fixed, and is sinking again. Mr. Gonzalez also spoke about the Ziff Law Firm in Elmira that is promoting free hockey tickets for veterans at the Broome County Floyd L. Maines Veteran's Memorial Arena in Binghamton and the First Arena in Elmira.



Scott and Catherine Denmon, 1027 Edgebrook Drive, Endwell, presented pictures to the Board and spoke on the erosion of their backyard from the Patterson Creek. They asked if there was any FEMA money or grant money available to correct this problem.

Councilman Frank R. Bertoni said Disaster Relief money through the Community Development Grant Program was used to stabilize part of Patterson Creek.

Supervisor Rose A. Sotak said Councilman Robert Mack will have Commissioner of Public Works Louis V. Caforio and Highway Superintendent Chester Kupiec look at this issue.

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

COMMUNICATIONS FOR FILING:

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

- 1. Letter from Caitlyn Hanlon, Animal Health Inspector, New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets, to Supervisor Rose A. Sotak with attached Dog Control Officer Inspection Report dated September 14, 2018.
- 2. Copy of a letter from Sandra Lizlovs, Professional Engineer 1, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, to Hon. John Bertoni, Village of Endicott Mayor, regarding the annual inspection of the Village's sewage treatment plant and collection system inflow/infiltration.
- 3. Notice from Charter Communications with upcoming changes 10/1/18.
- 4. Email from GOSR Storm Recovery, to Supervisor Rose A. Sotak regarding GOSR Quarterly Reporting for the period of July 1, 2018 to September 30, 2018, due October 5, 2018 by close of business.

 Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS FOR ACTION:

1. Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to approve the Email from Michelle Beatty, Co-President of Park Manor Homeowners Association, notifying the Town that their annual Halloween Parade will be held on Saturday, October 27, 2018 at 1:00 P.M.; requesting barricades be delivered on Friday, October 26, 2018 and requesting the Town to notify emergency personnel of this event and refer it to Town Clerk Leonard J. Perfetti, Commissioner of Public Works Louis V. Caforio and Highway Superintendent Chester Kupiec. Carried.



- 2. Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to refer the 2019 Proposed Budget for the Endwell Fire District to Comptroller Laura J. Lindsley. Carried.
- 3. Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to refer the Email from Tom Ferraro, President, Union Endicott Little League, to Supervisor Rose A. Sotak requesting changes to the ball fields at Glendale Park for safety purposes (trees trimmed and improvements or replacement of fencing) to Commissioner of Public Works Louis V. Caforio and Parks Manager Ray Vanderpoel. Carried.
- 4. Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to refer the Notice of Foreclosure U.S. Bank Trust, N.A., as Trustee for LSF9 Master Participation Trust vs. Christie L. Antalek – 1017 Oak Hill Avenue, Endicott, New York to Town Attorney Alan J. Pope, Comptroller Laura J. Lindsley and Planning Director Paul A. Nelson. Carried.

PETITIONS: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to adopt the Sexual Harassment Policy and Complaint Form as required by New York State Law.) Vote: All yes.

Res. by Bernardo, seconded by Bertoni.

The Resolution was adopted.

Moved by Bernardo, seconded by Bertoni authorizing the attendance of Anne Raible to the PERMA 2018 Fall Educational Conference at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel, Binghamton, New York on November 1, 2018 for the Session II, Track 1 on the JANUS decision and Session III, Track 1 on Employers Rights. There is no fee to attend the sessions. Carried.

Moved by Mack, seconded by Bernardo to approve the following 2018 Budget Transfers:

Decrease: 10 7145 4159 Recreation Program Services \$ 2.000.00 10 7145 4462 Special Event Services \$ 2,000.00 Increase: **Janitorial Supplies** 40 7110 4150 \$ 2,500.00 Decrease: Increase: 40 7110 4413 **B&G Services** \$ 2,500.00

Carried.



Vote: All yes.

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(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to call for a Public Hearing to be held on Wednesday, November 7, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. to consider the 2019 Preliminary Budget and Annual Fire Contracts for the Fire Protection Districts, and proposed Tax Cap Override local law.)

Res. by Mack, seconded by Bernardo.

The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to purchase mobile camera systems for use in detection of illegal and nefarious activities throughout the part-town area with monitoring to be performed by the Sheriff's Department. Purchase Agreement to be subject to review and approval by the Commissioner of Public Works and the Town Attorney with funds for this purchase (up to \$50,000) to be allocated from Part-Town Fund Balance.) Res. by Mack, seconded by Bernardo. Vote: All yes.

The Resolution was adopted.

At this time, Councilman Frank J. Bertoni thanked the Town Board for their commitment to this project. He said he spoke with Endicott Police Chief Garey who reminded him that the cameras are supposed to be secretive, and to not say anything more about them to defeat the purposes of using them.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes authorizing the following assets be declared surplus to be sold at auction at a later date:

Pickup Truck with plow – replaced by ordered truck from 2018 Capital B68

B71 Small Dump Truck with plow – replaced by ordered truck from 2018 Capital

Jacobson Mower - no longer used F76

M177 6' mower

M198 6' mower

Golf cart

Hell Hound Halloween prop

Metal Tracks for Bobcat – no longer used

Old Broom attachment for F124 - replaced

Old Volleyball stand

Res. by Augostini, seconded by Mack.

The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes authorizing the Supervisor to execute the purchase and sale contract and all other necessary closing documents for the sale of 1006 Taft Avenue to Michael Maione and that all other Town officials as may be necessary are authorized to take such additional and further action to proceed with this sale.)

Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Augostini. Vote: All yes.

The Resolution was adopted.



(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes authorizing the purchase of a new 2018 Caterpillar 938M 3V model Loader through a Buy Back Program from CAT for a price of \$173,045.00 minus trade in \$161,845.00 net difference being \$11,200.00 per NYS OGC contract PC66988 NJPA-032515 CAT. F-165 will be declared surplus for trade-in purposes. The new Loader would be paid for out of the Highway Equipment Account.)

Res. by Bernardo, seconded by Mack.

Vote: All yes.

The Resolution was adopted.

HEARING OF VISITORS:

Heather Staley, 309 W. Main Street, Endicott, said according to the 2016 Comptroller's Financial Report, it showed a deficit of approximately \$800,000.00 for the Water and Sewer Department and asked what the deficit is now in 2018.

Councilman Thomas R. Augostini said the amount is down to \$300,000.00 now.

Mrs. Staley asked if this is a new amount to the deficit or the amount brought down from the original deficit.

Councilman Thomas R. Augostini said it is an amount brought down from the original deficit.

At this time, Supervisor Rose A. Sotak asked Town Attorney Alan J. Pope to explain the difference of a Resolution and a Motion.

Town Attorney Alan J. Pope explained the differences.

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

- 1. Town Clerk's Monthly Report September 2018.
- 2. Town of Union Planning Board Decision Allan and Jessica Eagles Express Auto Office Addition, 3652 George F. Highway, Endwell, Tax map # 142.18-1-28.
- 3. Town of Union Planning Board minutes September 11, 2018.

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- 4. Town of Union Planning Board Decision Mr. B. Kashou, Greater Binghamton Sports Complex, 1500 County Airport Road, Binghamton, Special Overnight Event, Tax map # 110.04-1-26.11.
- 5. Comptroller's Monthly Report September 30, 2018. Carried.

At this time, Councilman Frank J. Bertoni said the 1 N. Page Avenue building is scheduled to be demolished on November 5, 2018 at 10:00 A.M., and that the Town is opening the West Endicott Park for a picnic and area to watch the demolition. He further said the Town Board will be having a Budget Work Session on Wednesday, October 24, 2018 at 5:00 P.M. and also recommended to the students attending the meeting to check out the Endicott Proud Committee if they have community service to do.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 P.M.

Leonard J. Perfetti, Town Clerk

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