

Town Board

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

TOWN OF UNION BOARD MEETING

January 18, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Union was held on Wednesday, January 18, 2017 at 7:30 P.M. in the Town Board Room, 3111 East Main Street, Endwell, New York.

<u>BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT</u>: Supervisor Rose A. Sotak, Councilman Thomas R. Augostini, Councilman Frank J. Bertoni, Councilman Leonard J. Perfetti, Councilman Robert Mack.

<u>TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT</u>: Town Attorney Alan J. Pope, Town Clerk Gail L. Springer, Deputy Town Clerk Rebecca Kruczkowski.

Also in attendance were Village of Endicott Mayor John Bertoni, Village of Endicott Clerk/Treasurer Anthony Bates and Village of Johnson City Mayor Greg Deemie.

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 Reorganizational meeting and the Minutes of the Regular Town of Union Board meeting held on Wednesday, January 4, 2017.

Carried.

HEARING OF VISITORS:

Lisa Wolf, 441 Country Knoll Drive, Endwell, asked if there were any updates regarding her abstract that was left for Town Attorney Alan J. Pope to review.

Town Attorney Alan J. Pope said he reviewed the abstract and wrote a letter to both Mrs. Wolf and her neighbor regarding his findings; specifically pointing out the parts of the abstract that show there is no responsibility of the Town of Union for their properties. He further said the



property indicated in the abstract for the Town's responsibility, is located on Hillside Terrace not Country Knoll Drive.

At this time, Town Clerk Gail L. Springer returned the abstract to Lisa Wolf.

Ken Fontana, 1125 Taft Avenue, Endicott, President of Endicott Little League, thanked the Board for their past and future support and for their consideration of use of CDBG funding for the new fencing and foul line safety net at Logan Field. He said there are 500 youth involved in their Little League program.

John Bertoni, Village of Endicott Mayor, said the fencing at Logan Field is very old and the safety of the children is their main reason for the CDBG application. He also said he has played and coached baseball at Logan since the 1960's and is on the Board of Directors. He said their goal is to make sure kids have a lasting positive impression of their childhoods.

Supervisor Rose A. Sotak said the Town Board is happy with what has gone on in that Park.

Paul Gonzalez, 508 June Street, Endicott asked if CDBG money could be used to make a donation to the Honor Flight Organization the takes veterans to Washington, DC.

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. State Liquor Authority Standardized NOTICE FORM for Providing 30-Day Advanced Notice from Alberto Paolini for Ristorante Dell'Arco, LLC, 2308 Watson Blvd.
- 2. Minutes of the Regular Meeting and Work Session of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Johnson City held on December 20, 2016.
- 3. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Endicott held on November 22, 2016, Reorganizational Meeting held on December 31, 2016 and Work Session held on January 10, 2017.
- 4. Invitation to The Broome County Association of Towns & Villages Meeting on Thursday, January 26, 2017.
- 5. Letter from Jacqueline Gerchman, Interim Executive Director, SEPP Management Group, Inc. with a copy of SEPP's Annual Report for 2015-2016.



- 6. Letter from Mark L. Dedrick, CPCA, Code Enforcement Officer/Building Inspector, Town of Vestal regarding 239 Review Gateway Sign Application, Lockridge Outdoor Advertising, LLC, Tax Map # 157.14-1-4, 400 Main Street, North.
- 7. Letter from Kerry A. Delaney, Acting Commissioner, NYS Office for People with Developmental Disabilities in reference to Section 41.34 of the Mental Hygiene Law, Site Selection Hearing: Proposed Resident at 18 Sweet Briar Court, Endwell, NY. The Town of Union's objection to the proposed site is denied.
- 8. Letter from Dara Disko-McCagg, Principal Examiner, Professional Standards Unit, Division of Local Government and School Accountability, State of New York, Office of The State Comptroller, acknowledging receipt of the corrective action plan.
- 9. Letter from Gabriel F. Deyo, Deputy Comptroller, Office of the New York State Comptroller, reporting that they have reviewed the supporting documentation and calculation of our tax levy limit, as well as our tax levy for the fiscal year ending in 2017, and have no changes.

 Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS FOR ACTION:

- 1. Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to refer the Notice of Motion for Order for Voluntary Discontinuance and Cancellation of Notice of Pendency for Foreclosure Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc., Plaintiff, vs. Jeremy M. Taber, Defendant, 1116 Day Hollow Road, Endicott to Town Attorney Alan J. Pope, Town Comptroller Laura J. Lindsley and Town Planning Director Paul A. Nelson. Carried.
- 2. Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to refer the Notice of Foreclosure- CitiMortgage, Inc., Plaintiff, vs. Michael B. McCall, Defendant, 103 Taylor Avenue, Endicott to Town Attorney Alan J. Pope, Comptroller Laura J. Lindsley and Planning Director Paul A. Nelson. Carried.
- 3. Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to refer the Notice of Foreclosure Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Plaintiff, vs. Kellie Duff, Defendant, 107 North Arthur Avenue, Endicott to Town Attorney Alan J. Pope, Comptroller Laura J. Lindsley and Planning Director Paul A. Nelson. Carried.
- 4. Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to refer the Notice of Availability of Urban Forestry Grant Funds from New York State Department of Environmental Conservation to Economic Development Director Joseph Moody and Parks Manager Ray Vanderpoel. Carried.



- 5. Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to refer the letter from Noelle Rivera, 914 Squires Avenue, Endicott, in reference to a request for full reimbursement for the repairs to her vehicle that was involved in an accident with a Town of Union pickup truck on December 12, 2016 to Town Attorney Alan J. Pope and the Town's Insurance Carrier. Carried.
- 6. Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to refer the letter from Carolyn and Don Anderson, 31 N. Knight Ave., Endwell, requesting a sign for some parking issues by their driveway to Commissioner of Public Works Louis V. Caforio and Highway Superintendent Chester Kupiec.

 Carried.
- 7. Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to refer the letter from Mayor John Bertoni, Village of Endicott, requesting contributions for the Stage at Little Italy to Economic Development Director Joseph Moody and Town Planning Director Paul A. Nelson. Carried.
- 8. Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to refer the letter from Michael Skrebutenas, Senior Vice President, Regional Director, The Community Preservation Corporation, in reference to the financing structure of the 20 affordable rental units located at 10 Woodland Avenue, Union, there is no excess profit or contingency in the deal sufficient to cover the additional water or sewer infrastructure costs to the Town Board and Planning Director Paul A. Nelson.

 Carried.

PETITIONS: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to establish the standard workdays for elected and appointed officials and to report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by elected and appointed officials to the Town Clerk.)

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

The Resolution was adopted.

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

Decrease: 31 5110 4118 Blacktop Summer \$ 1,205,000.00

Increase: 31 5110 2045 Blacktop Summer - Permanent \$ 905,000.00 Increase: 31 5110 4126 Blacktop Repairs \$ 300,000.00.

Carried.

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(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to authorize Supervisor Rose A. Sotak to sign and execute the UHS/EAP Business Direct Agreement effective 1/1/17 through 12/31/17 providing an employee assistance program and support for the annual amount of \$3,224.00.

The Town attorney has approved the agreement.)

Res. by Augostini, seconded by Perfetti.

Vote: Yes Sotak Augostini Bertoni Perfetti

Vote: All yes.

<u>Abstain</u>

Mack

The Resolution was adopted.

Moved by Perfetti, seconded by Bertoni to authorize the advertisement of bids for the following:

Pool Supplies - Dry Chlorine Tablets

Concession Supplies - Food Items

Concession Supplies – Ice Cream

Concession Supplies - Soda/Water/Sports Drinks/Juice.

Bids to be received by Town Clerk Gail L. Springer on Monday, February 6, 2017 at 10:00 A.M. at which time they will be opened and read aloud. Carried.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to declare the following Town owned properties as surplus and authorize the sale of said properties through a RFP process (The eventual sale of each parcel will need to be approved by the Board subject a Permissive Referendum).

515 Fernwood Avenue, Johnson City

3799 Sally Piper Road, Endicott

194 St. Charles Street, Johnson City

26 Main Street Terrace, Johnson City

147 Hudson Street, Johnson City

68 Roberts Street, Johnson City

56 Cherry Street, Johnson City

1709 Nanticoke Drive, Endicott 618 Zimmer Avenue. Endicott)

by Bertoni, seconded by Augustin

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The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to issue a no finding of significant impact (FONSI) and to approve the amendment to the FFY 2016 CDBG Annual Action Plan and

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authorize the commitment and transfer of funds as indicated in the public notice. Said approval shall also authorize Supervisor Rose A. Sotak to execute all contracts and related documentation to implement the project.

Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Augostini.

The Resolution was adopted.

Vote: All yes.

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(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to authorize the Town of Union to enter into a sponsorship agreement for the 2017 Dick's Sporting Goods Open in the amount of \$3,200.00, and to authorize the Town Supervisor to execute such contract. 2017 Part-Town Budget includes such funding.)

Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Augostini.

The Resolution was adopted.

Moved by Augostini, seconded by Mack to approve Derek Waddell, Jillian Stout and Daria Golazeski to attend the NYSBOC Central Chapter Educational Conference at the Holiday Inn, Liverpool, NY April 4-6, 2017. The Educational Conference accounts for 24 of the required 24 hours of training. They will commute daily to the conference. The registration fee covers 3 continental breakfasts and lunches for 3 days.

Expenses to be covered include:

Registration per person \$360.00 Use of Town Vehicle

Carried.

Moved by Augostini, seconded by Mack to authorize the advertisement of Bids for Town Street Lighting Replacement Project. Bids to be received by Town Clerk Gail L. Springer on Wednesday, February 15, 2017 at 10:00 A.M. at which time they will be opened and read aloud.

Carried.

HEARING OF VISITORS:

As no one 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:

- Town Clerk Monthly Report December 2016.
- 2. Town Clerk Annual Report 1/1/2016 12/31/2016.
- 3. Comptroller's Monthly Reports November & December 2016.

Carried.

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At this time, Councilman Leonard J. Perfetti recognized the life of long time Town employee Rick Hanakovic who passed away recently.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

GLS/bk

Gail L. Springer, RMC Town Clerk