

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

March 7, 2018

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Union was held on Wednesday, March 7, 2018 at 7:00 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 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 Kruczkowski.

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Public Hearing was called for on Wednesday, March 7, 2018, at 7:00 P.M., in relation to the proposed increase and improvement of the facilities of the Water District in the Town of Union, Broome County, New York, consisting of a control panel at the Choconut Pump Station, including costs incidental thereto, at a maximum estimated cost of \$28,000.00; and to hear all persons interested in the subject thereof, concerning the same, and to take such action thereon as is required or authorized by law. Pub. & Posted 2/26/18.

As no one wished to speak, Supervisor Rose A. Sotak closed the Public Hearing.

BIDS:

Bids were called for on Monday, March 1, 2018 at 10:00 A.M. for Grand Avenue Corridor and Interceptor "B" Combined Sanitary/Storm Sewer Separation Projects, Village of Johnson City Town of Union CDBG-DR Program.

Bids were received as follows:

Vacri Construction Corporation Total Bid Price: \$885,000.00

Alternate #1: \$ 60,000.00



G. DeVincentis & Son Construction Co., Inc. Total Bid Price: \$ 969,000.00 Alternate #1: \$ 42,000.00

Chicago Construction Company

Total Bid Price: \$1,282,000.00

Alternate #1: \$ 76,500.00

Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to receive and file the Bids for Grand Avenue Corridor and Interceptor "B" Combined Sanitary/Storm Sewer Separation Projects, Village of Johnson City Town of Union CDBG-DR Program.

Carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to approve the minutes of the Regular Town of Union Board meeting held on Wednesday, February 21, 2018 and the Special Work Session held on Tuesday, February 27, 2018. Carried.

HEARING OF VISITORS:

Sara Kane, Deputy Director of Management and Budget, Broome County, gave an overview of the State of the County Address given by Broome County Executive Jason Garner last week. She said the theme of the address was "Building a Better Broome," focusing on jobs, lower taxes, infrastructure, fighting blight, developing better housing, public & school safety and the heroin epidemic.

Mitch Curatolo, 1010 Autumn Drive, Endwell, praised the work of the Town of Union Public Works Department on the great job they did on clearing the streets during the snow storms. He also spoke about the drug house on Autumn Drive.

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. Notice of Tentative Railroad Ceiling for city and town assessment roll to be filed in 2018 from New York State Department of Taxation and Finance Office of Real Property Tax Services.
- 2. Letter from William T. O'Connell, Director, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Buffalo Office, 465 Main Street, Buffalo, to Supervisor Rose A. Sotak regarding



Program Year Review (PYR) Letter; Town of Union, New York Reporting Period October 1, 2016 to September 30, 2017 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program.

- 3. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Village of Endicott Board of Trustees held on January 23, 2018.
- 4. Letter from Sabina Mora, Project Manager, New York State Empire State Development, to Town Clerk Leonard J. Perfetti, in reference to a Public Hearing required by the UDC Act regarding the Town of Union Floodwall Capital Project, that will be held on March 9, 2018 at 2:00 P.M. at the Town of Union Office Building, 3111 East Main Street, Endwell, New York. Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS FOR ACTION:

- 1. Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to refer the Notice of Foreclosure Bank of America, Plaintiff, vs Karen A. Tisci, 61 Helen Street, Johnson City to Town Attorney Alan J. Pope, Comptroller Laura J. Lindsley and Planning Director Paul A. Nelson. Carried.
- 2. Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to refer the letter and waiver form from Carolyn P. Chalachan, Landfill Sr. Account Clerk, Broome County Department of Public Works Division of Solid Waste Management to Supervisor Rose A. Sotak announcing the Municipal Cleanup Tip Fee Waiver Day of Disposal and requesting Municipalities to complete form to participate to Commissioner of Public Works Louis V. Caforio and Deputy Commissioner of Public Works for Environmental Services Daniel Schofield. Carried.
- 3. Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to refer the letter from Marcus J. Molinaro, Dutchess County Executive, to Supervisor Rose A. Sotak regarding the "ThinkDIFFERENTLY" Initiative and requesting the Town Board to consider adopting a Resolution in support of the initiative to Town Planning Director Paul A. Nelson. Carried.
- 4. Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to refer the e-mail from Kevin Every, 2717 Watson Boulevard, Endwell, regarding two sewage backups that occurred at their residence within a 10 day time period and requesting assistance with installation of a Backflow Valve at their property to help eliminate future backups to Commissioner of Public Works Louis V. Caforio.

 Carried.

PETITIONS: None.



(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to accept and place on file in the Town Clerk's Office the February 22, 2018 Investigative Report (Redacted) by Paul J. Sweeney,

Esq. regarding employee complaints against Supervisor Rose A. Sotak.)

Res. by Bernardo, seconded by Bertoni.

Vote: Yes Augostini Bertoni Mack Bernardo

Abstain

Sotak

The Resolution was adopted.

Moved by Bernardo, seconded by Bertoni to hire Keris Mickovska as a Clerk – Permanent Part-Time in the Planning Department/Section 8 at a salary of \$10.00/Hour. Anticipated start date is March 19, 2018, after successful completion of pre-employment testing. Carried.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes authorizing Supervisor Rose A. Sotak to sign, upon approval of the Town Attorney, the following NYSLRS authorizations:

Retirement Online Contact Administrator Authorization – Sheila Daino Security Administrator Retirement Online Authorization – Sheila Daino

Alternate Security Administrator Retirement Online Authorization – Laura Lindsley.)

Res. by Mack, seconded by Bernardo.

The Resolution was adopted.

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

 Decrease:
 31 5142 4128
 Calcium Chloride
 \$ 12,000.00

 Increase:
 31 5142 4129
 Rock Salt
 \$ 12,000.00

 Decrease:
 31 5110 2500
 Other Equipment
 \$ 13,000.00

 Increase:
 31 5142 4129
 Rock Salt
 \$ 13,000.00

Carried.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes authorizing Supervisor Rose A. Sotak to sign, upon approval of the Town Attorney, the Key Bank Cash Wire Transfer Service Payment Authorization Form.)

Res. by Mack, seconded by Bernardo.

The Resolution was adopted.

Vote: All yes.

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(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes authorizing Supervisor Rose A. Sotak to sign, upon approval of the Town Attorney, the Key Bank Cash Management Services Master Agreement.)

Res. by Mack, seconded by Bernardo.

The Resolution was adopted.

(PREPARED RESOLUTION FILED AS PART OF THESE MINUTES AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$28,000 SERIAL BONDS OF THE TOWN OF UNION, BROOME COUNTY, NEW YORK, TO PAY THE COST OF THE INCREASE AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE FACILITIES OF THE CHOCONUT WATER DISTRICT IN THE TOWN OF UNION, BROOME COUNTY, NEW YORK.)

Res. by Mack, seconded by Bernardo.

The Resolution was adopted.

Moved by Augostini, seconded by Mack to authorize the advertisement of bids for T-Shirts for Recreation Programs and Park and Recreation Seasonal Staff Shirts for the 2018 season. Bids to be received by Town Clerk Leonard J. Perfetti on Monday, March 26, 2018 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 call for a Public Hearing to be held Wednesday, March 21, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. to consider input on the Change of Zone request for 26 Kentucky Avenue (Tax Map # 157.07-1-8) from Industrial (I) to Urban Multi-Family (UMF).)

Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Augostini.

The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes authorizing the purchase Two (2) Smith Medium Duty Sanders to outfit two (2) Ford F550 Trucks per Oneida County Contract #1889 from Viking Cives (USA). The total purchase price is \$19,056.80 to be paid out of the "Other Equipment Line 31 5110 2500.)

Res. by Bernardo, seconded by Mack.

The Resolution was adopted.

Moved by Bernardo, seconded by Mack to approve the attendance of Kenneth Jennison at the NYS Floodplain and Stormwater Managers Association meeting in Rochester, NY, April 23-25, 2018. Authorization to include Registration fee of \$235.00, Hotel cost of \$123.00 for 2 nights, meals not covered by registration and use of a town vehicle. This will complete the twelve hours of required yearly training to keep Certified Floodplain Manager Certification. Carried.



Moved by Bernardo, seconded by Mack to authorize the re-advertisement of Bids for New Refuse Facility – Mechanical Contract Retro Active. Bids to be received by Town Clerk Leonard J. Perfetti on Monday, April 2, 2018 at 10:00 A.M., at which time they will be opened and read aloud.

Moved by Bernardo, seconded by Mack to authorize the re-advertisement of Bids for New Refuse Facility – Plumbing Contract Retro Active. Bids to be received by Town Clerk Leonard J. Perfetti on Monday, April 2, 2018 at 10:00 A.M., at which time they will be opened and read aloud.

Carried.

Moved by Bernardo, seconded by Mack to authorize the advertisement of Bids for Curb and Gutter/Sidewalk Replacement Contract One. Bids to be received by Town Clerk Leonard J. Perfetti on Tuesday, March 27, 2018 at 10:00 A.M., at which time they will be opened and read aloud.

Carried.

Moved by Bernardo, seconded by Mack to authorize the advertisement of Bids for Underdrain Installation and Connection at Miscellaneous Locations. Bids to be received by Town Clerk Leonard J. Perfetti on Tuesday, March 27, 2018 at 10:00 A.M., at which time they will be opened and read aloud. Carried.

Moved by Bernardo, seconded by Mack to authorize the advertisement of Bids for Curb and Gutter Replacement Contract Two. Bids to be received by Town Clerk Leonard J. Perfetti on Tuesday, April 3, 2018 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 approve the Agreement between the Town of Union and Broome County for the Farm to Market Road Pedestrian Improvement Project – Cost Sharing Agreement; not to exceed \$20,000.00 and authorize Supervisor Rose A. Sotak to execute the said Agreement.)

Res. by Bernardo, seconded by Mack.

The Resolution was adopted.

HEARING OF VISITORS:

Carol Laskoski, 37 Edwards Street, Johnson City, asked for an explanation on Communications for Filing #3 of this meeting.

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Vote: All yes.



Supervisor Rose A. Sotak said it has to do with the disabled and was referred to Planning Director Paul A. Nelson for more clarification.

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 of Union Planning Department Decision Special Permit for a Telecommunications Facility Extension of Decision Up State Tower Co., LLC/Blue Wireless, 1209 Taft Avenue, Tax Map # 125.11-1-3.
- Town Clerk Monthly Report February 2018. Carried.

At this time, Councilman Robert Mack announced that the John Mack Foundation was awarded \$2500.00 from Gault Auto Mall through their Gault Gives Back Program.

Supervisor Rose A. Sotak announced that the Town of Union received an award at the Annual Association of Towns of the State of New York Conference for being one of twenty founding members of the Association of Towns of the State of New York that began in 1933. She said it was a great honor to receive the award on behalf of the Town.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

LJP/bk

Leonard J. Perfetti, Town Clerk