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Town of Union

Town Board
Richard A. Materese, *Supervisor*
Thomas R. Augostini, *Councilman*
Frank J. Bertoni, *Councilman*
Sandra C. Bauman, *Councilwoman*
Heather R. Staley, *Councilwoman*

TOWN OF UNION BOARD MEETING

February 5, 2020

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Union was held on Wednesday, February 5, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Board room, 3111 East Main Street, Endwell, New York.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Richard A. Materese, Councilman Thomas R. Augostini, Councilman Frank J. Bertoni, Councilwoman Sandra C. Bauman, Councilwoman Heather R. Staley.

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

Also in attendance was Village of Johnson City Trustee Ben Reynolds.

Supervisor Richard A. Materese 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, January 15, 2020.
Carried.

HEARING OF VISITORS:

Amanda Dorrell, 115 Patio Drive, Endwell, gave an update on the garbage pickup situation at the Endwell Weis. She said they are now coming between 9:00 – 10:00 AM to empty the dumpsters. She thanked the Board for their help and persistence in resolving this issue.

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



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COMMUNICATIONS FOR FILING:

Move by Augustini, seconded by Bertoni to receive and file the following Communications:

1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Village of Endicott Board of Trustees held on December 10, 2019, the Re-Organizational meeting held on January 1, 2020 and the Regular meeting held on January 6, 2020.
2. 239 Review Submission Form from Broome County Department of Planning and Economic Development – Village of Endicott amendment to Chapter 300 of the Code regarding Permitted and Special Permitted Uses-C District.
3. Letter from Daria Golazeski, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works for Codes & Ordinances, regarding Notification Pursuant to Section 239-nn of the NYS General Municipal Law Local Law for amending Chapter 300 of the Village of Johnson City Code. Section 300-40.9 Home Occupation.
4. Notice from State of New York Department of State acknowledging the filing of Local Laws 2019-09 (Renewable Energy), 2019-10 (Meter Service Rates) and 2019-11 (Sewer User Fees), filed on January 6, 2020.
Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS FOR ACTION:

1. Moved by Augustini, seconded by Bertoni to refer the letters from students at Maine Endwell High School (Kyle Komer, Ben Owen) asking questions about various concerns in the Town to the Town Board.
Carried.
2. Moved by Augustini, seconded by Bertoni to deny the E-mail from Mark Goldman, American Cruisers Car Club Committee Member, requesting use of Highland Park and waiver of fees for their Annual "Cars at Highland Park" custom car show benefitting local Veterans and their families; to be held on Saturday June 15, 2020 from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, until such proper documentation is supplied to the Town that shows local veterans and their families are benefitting from this event.
Carried.

PETITIONS: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:



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(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes requesting the Town Board approve a Resolution urging the New York State Legislature to increase recycling and reduce municipal waste management costs by expanding the NYS Returnable Container Act.)

Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Bauman.

Vote: All yes.

The Resolution was adopted.

Supervisor Richard A. Materese explained the reasoning for this request.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to call for a Public Hearing to be held on Wednesday, February 19, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. for the proposed amendment to the Town of Union Sign Law as it relates to billboard type signs and digital type signs.)

Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Bauman.

Vote: All yes.

The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to call for a Public Hearing to be held on Wednesday, February 19, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. for the proposed amendment to the Town of Union Local Law as it relates to the addition of a Vacant Properties Law.)

Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Bauman.

Vote: All yes.

The Resolution was adopted.

Moved by Staley, seconded by Augustini to approve the following 2020 Budget Transfer:

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| Decrease: | 31 5110 4118 | Blacktop Summer | \$ 200,000.00 |
| Increase: | 31 5110 2040 | Permanent Improvement | \$ 200,000.00. |

Carried.

Moved by Staley, seconded by Augustini to approve the attendance of Anthony Silvestri and Gary Post to the Southern Tier Building Officials meeting on February 26, 2020 at the Sidney Fire Station, Sidney, New York. Authorization to include cost of \$35.00 per person (lunch included) and use of a Town vehicle. The training accounts for all hours of the required 6 hours of annual training for Anthony Silvestri.

Carried.

Moved by Staley, seconded by Augustini to approve the attendance of Gary Post at the NYSBOC Central Chapter Educational Conference at the Holiday Inn, Liverpool, New York on April 7-9, 2020. Authorization to include registration fee of \$360.00 (which includes 3 continental breakfasts and lunches for 3 days) and use of a Town vehicle (he will commute daily with DCPW Daria Golazeski and Jill Pichura). The Educational Conference accounts for 24 hours of the required 24 hours of annual training.

Carried.



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Moved by Staley, seconded by Augustini to authorize the attendance of Chet Kupiec and ten (10) Highway Department employees at the 2020 Annual Dig Safely New York Excavator Safety Seminar on Thursday, March 12, 2020 at Tompkins Cortland Community College, Borg Warner Morse Tech Field House, 170 North Street Dryden, NY, from 7:00am to 2:30pm. There is no cost to attend. The approval would include the use of two (2) Town Vehicles.
Carried.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes requesting permission to sell the 2006 Lee Boy 1000D Paver to the Town of Dickinson for \$22,250.00 with the understanding it would be purchased "As is, Where Is.")
Res. by Staley, seconded by Augustini. Vote: All yes.
The Resolution was adopted.

Moved by Bauman, seconded by Staley authorizing the attendance of Gretchen Uhler, Sheila Daino and Melissa Opeka to the NYS Local Retirement Certification Training on February 12, 2020 from 9 AM to Noon at the Union Endicott School District Office Building. NYSLR will provide the benefits of the enhanced, gold certification, and the changes from the legacy reporting. There is no fee for this seminar.
Carried.

Moved by Bauman, seconded by Staley to approve the attendance of Leonard J. Perfetti, Town Clerk, at the New York State Town Clerks Association Conference, April 26 –April 29, 2020 in Albany, New York; approval is for registration, accommodations, meals and estimated mileage in accordance with Town approved guidelines, not to exceed \$1050.00.
Carried.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to authorize Supervisor Materese to execute a series of letter authorizations for NFP Corporate Services to investigate 2021 medical insurance costs with various individual major insurance carriers for coverages that meet or exceed the coverages provided in the CSEA Collective Bargaining Agreements. Said investigation will not involve use of Town employees or employee work time.)
Res. by Bauman, seconded by Staley. Vote: All yes.
The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to call for a Public Hearing to be held on Wednesday, February 19, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. on the Change of Zone request for 1908 Newell Road (114.11-4-50) from Open Space (OS) to Urban Single-Family (USF).
Res. by Augustini, seconded by Bertoni. Vote: All yes.
The Resolution was adopted.



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(Resolution authorizing the Planning Director to submit the 2019 Section Eight Management and Assessment Program (SEMAP) certification to HUD. Authorization for the Planning Director and Supervisor, or Deputy Supervisor, to execute any documentation necessary for 2019 SEMAP submission.)

Res. by Augustini, seconded by Bertoni.
The Resolution was adopted.

Vote: All yes.

HEARING OF VISITORS:

Carol Laskoski, 37 Edward Street, Johnson City, asked for further information on the recycling issue.

Supervisor Richard A. Materese explained that the Town is asking the Legislature to create a new bottle bill to include all glass, by trying to prove it is a financial burden to carry glass out of state for recycling. He further said the cost of recycling is determined by weight.

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

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

Moved by Augustini, seconded by Bertoni to receive and file the following reports, with the exception of report #1 that was previously received and filed at the January 15, 2020 meeting:

1. Comptroller's Financial Report – December 2019.
2. Town of Union Planning Department Minor Site Plan Review – NYSEG – Security Shelter/Shed, 991 Robinson Hill Road, Tax Map # 126.02-1-40.
3. Town of Union Planning Board Minutes – December 10, 2019.
4. Permits Report – December 2019.
5. Zoning Board of Appeals Decision – Alexander and Yelenda Galkin, 2657 Grandview Place - Application # 2019-004.
6. Town of Union Local Development Corporation Meeting Minutes and Synopsis for their Annual Meeting and Regular Meetings held on December 19, 2019.
Carried.



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Councilwoman Heather R. Staley thanked the other Board members for going out to NPF for insurance quotes.

Supervisor Richard A. Materese said that on social media false information is being reported that the Town is not recycling anymore. He said the Town is recycling until notified otherwise.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 P.M.

Leonard J. Perfetti
Town Clerk

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