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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

August 10, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Union was held on Wednesday, August 10, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Board Room, 3111 East Main Street, Endwell, New York.

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

TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT: Town Attorney Alan Pope and Town Clerk Leonard J. Perfetti.

Supervisor Richard A. Materese opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

BIDS:

Bids were called for on Tuesday, July 12, 2022 for Dittrich Street Flood Pump Station Reconstruction.

Bids were received as follows:

Vacri Construction Corporation	\$365,000.00
G. DeVincentis & Son-	\$332,000.00
Pro Con Contracting-	\$333,000.00

Moved by Bertoni, seconded by Bauman to receive and file the Bids for Dittrich Street Flood Pump Station Reconstruction.
Carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:



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Moved by Bertoni, seconded by Bauman to approve the Minutes of the Regular Town of Union Board Meeting held on Wednesday, July 13, 2022
Carried.

HEARING OF VISITORS:

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

COMMUNICATIONS FOR FILING:

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

1. Charter Communications – Programming Change – August 1, & 15, 2022.
2. 2022-2023 Union Endicott Central School District Board of Education Members list.
3. Union Volunteer Emergency Squad, Inc. – Monthly Financial Report – June 2022.
4. Resignation letter from Highway Superintendent Chester Kupiec effective July 8, 2022.
5. 239 Review Submission Form from the Town of Owego regarding a New Local Law regulating Solar Energy Systems with amendments to Wellhead and Zoning Chapters.
6. Resignation letter from Comptroller Gretchen Uhler effective July 22, 2022 with the offer to return to assist with the budget and in training of her replacement.
7. 239 Review Submission Form from the Town of Chenango regarding Proposed Local Law #5, Rezone select parcels from Pdd-5 and Residential to Neighborhood Commercial, and select parcels from Pdd-5 to Agricultural.

Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS FOR ACTION:

1. Moved by Bertoni, seconded by Bauman to approve the Email from Dan Griffith, West Corners Fire Commissioner, requesting use of a garbage truck on August 18, 2022 for their annual Ice Cream Social to be held at West Corners Fire Station #1, 500 Day Hollow Road, Endicott, and was referred to Deputy Commissioner of Public Works for Environmental Services Daniel A. Schofield.

Carried.



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2. Moved by Bertoni, seconded by Bauman to approve the Email from Beth Fisher, Tioga State Bank, partnering with WBNG, requesting to hold their 6th Annual No Shave November/Cure the Blue 5K at Highland Park on Saturday, November 5, 2022 using the 5K course they used in the past, with the use of the facilities building for their pancake breakfast, Pavilion #7 to house the timers for the 5K, and the gym for registration and t-shirt distribution and was referred to Commissioner of Public Works Louis V. Caforio and Parks Manager Jay Vassil.

Carried.

3. Moved by Bertoni, seconded by Bauman to approve the letter from Karen Kuzel, 821 Rosewood Terrace, Endwell, requesting permission to hold a block party on Saturday September 10, 2022, from 5:00 P.M to 8:00 P.M., with a rain date of Sunday September 11, 2022 and barricades to be placed at the corners of Catalina Boulevard and Rosewood Terrace, and Debonair Road and Rosewood Terrace. Request to include the use of an additional 10-15 traffic cones to create a 'Kid Zone' for the safety of the children during activities, and was referred to the Highway Superintendent.

Carried.

4. Moved by Bertoni, seconded by Bauman to approve the letter from Suzanne Meredith and Jacqueline Tedesco, Town of Union Historians, advising the Board that the George F. Johnson Carriage House is restored and finally ready to house the Amos Patterson Museum artifacts and eventually the Town of Union Historian's Office. They are asking for assistance in moving items from the Town office building to the new location, and was referred to Deputy Commissioner of Public Work – Environmental Services Daniel A. Schofield.

Carried.

5. Moved by Bertoni, seconded by Bauman to approve the Email from Jamie Brink, Girl Scout Troop 60195, requesting use of a donated Pavilion at Glendale Park on Saturday, October 1, 2022 to hold their "Back to Scouts Bash", with a bounce house that they paid \$25.00 fee for use of, and was referred to the Parks Manager Jay Vassil.

Carried

6. Moved by Bertoni, seconded by Bauman to approve the Email from the GFWC Tri-Cities Women's Club requesting permission to have their annual September 11th ceremony at the Remembrance Garden at Highland Park on Sunday, September 11, 2022 at 6:30 P.M., and was referred to Parks Manager Jay Vassil.

Carried.

7. Moved by Bertoni, seconded by Bauman to approve the request from David Hubman, Endicott Lions Club, requesting use of 17C Sports Facility and waiver of fees on Saturday, October 8, 2022 from 5:00 P.M to 7:00 P.M. to host a Punt, Pass and Kick Competition, and was referred to Parks Manager Jay Vassil.

Carried.



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PETITIONS: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to authorize Supervisor Richard A. Materese to approve the payment of \$53,116.40 for obtaining mitigation credits for the Daren Drive Storm water Improvements project. Payment will be from the ARPA Funds.)

Res. by Staley, seconded by Bertoni.

Vote: All yes.

The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to authorize Supervisor Richard A. Materese or Deputy Supervisor Thomas R. Augostini to sign the proposal from Highland Associates to Prepare Construction Documents to accommodate the New York State Police Substation. The fixed fee for this project is \$60,500.00 plus reimbursable expenses, and payment will be from the Lost Revenue ARPA Funds.)

Res. by Staley, seconded by Bertoni.

Vote: All yes.

The Resolution was adopted.)

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to authorize Supervisor Richard A. Materese or Deputy Supervisor Thomas R. Augostini to sign the proposal from Griffiths Engineering for Engineering Services for the New York State Police Substation renovations. The fixed fee for this project is \$6,000.00 and will be paid from the Lost Revenue ARPA Funds. Res. by Staley, seconded by Bertoni.

Vote All yes.

The Resolution was adopted.)

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to approve the Supplemental Agreement #3 with NYSDOT for Hooper Road (CR 33) at Watson Blvd. PIN 9754.55, D035931. The work involves the intersection improvements of Hooper Road (CR 33) at Watson Blvd. This is a Locally Administered Project. The estimated cost for the Construction and Construction Support and Construction Inspection work is \$472,768. The Town will be reimbursed 80% of \$472,768, or \$378,214, with Federal funds. In addition, the Town will be reimbursed 15% of \$472,768, up to \$70,915, with State Marchiselli funds. Authorization for the Supervisor or Deputy Supervisor to execute all such project related documents subject to review and approval of the Town Attorney.)

Res. by Staley, seconded by Bertoni.

Vote: All yes.

The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes authorizing Supervisor Richard A. Materese or Deputy Supervisor Thomas R. Augostini to sign the proposal from Delta Engineers, Architects & Surveyors for Professional Engineering Services for Schedule of



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Remedial Actions pursuant to NYSDEC NOV, dated June 9, 2022. The lump sum is \$9,600.00, and it will be paid from the ARPA Funds.)

Res. by Staley, seconded by Bertoni.

Vote: All yes.

The Resolution was adopted.

Quotes were received on July 14, 2022 for a Robotic Pool Cleaner.

Quotes are as follows:

Coral Isle Pools & Spas	\$5,599.00	in stock
Poolwarehouse.com	\$5,499.00	not available until December
Maytronics.com	\$5,599.00	not available until late August

Moved by Bauman, seconded by Staley to authorize the purchase a Robotic Pool Cleaner from Coral Isle Pools & Spas, for their quote price of \$5,599.00. This unit is currently available, while the other two units are not at this time.)

Res. by Bauman, seconded by Staley.

Vote: All yes.

The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to approve the 3 year collective bargaining agreement with the CSEA White Collar Unit and for authorization for the Supervisor, Commissioner of Public Works and Town Attorney to execute the same as may be applicable.)

Res. by Bauman, seconded by Staley.

Vote: All yes.

The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to appoint Scott Paugh as Highway Superintendent, retroactive to the starting date of July 25, 2022 with an annual salary of \$60,000.00. and normal benefits as provided to other department heads up to the 2023 Re-Org meeting.)

Res. by Bauman, seconded by Staley.

Vote: All yes.

The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to to call for a Public Hearing to be held on Wednesday, September 7, 2022, at 7:00 P.M. regarding the Change of Zone request by the Samaritan Counseling Center of the Southern Tier, Inc. for 2 S. Knight Avenue, from Urban Single-Family (USF) to General Commercial (GC).

Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Bauman.

Vote: Yes
Staley
Bauman



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Materese
No
Bertoni

The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to declare Lead Agency for the petition to rezone 2 S. Knight Avenue from Urban Single-Family (USF) to General Commercial (GC), and to declare the project an Unlisted Action under SEQRA.)

Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Bauman.

Vote: All yes

The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes authorizing the Town Supervisor to sign an Intent to Apply form for the 2022 Round 6 (part 1 of 2 award rounds) of Restore NY Funding, and to approve up-fronting up to \$1,000.00 in part-town funds for the required application fee payable to Urban Development Corporation d/b/a Empire State Development when it is due, and to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign the subsequent Restore NY Application and execute any other documentation as may be required.)

Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Bauman.

Vote: Yes
Staley
Bauman
Materese
No
Bertoni

The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes requesting to Move \$115,000.00 from 2021 Home Improvement (IDIS #1633) to Shady Drive (IDIS #1679) & West Endicott (IDIS #1683 Street Reconstruction projects. Funding was authorized after two Public Hearings and an Amendment to the FFY CDBG 2021-2022 was made and approved by HUD & Town of Union Board.)

Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Bauman.

Vote: All yes.

The Resolution was adopted.

HEARING OF VISITORS:

Dan Loiselle, 3201 Wayne Street, Endwell, asked for clarification on the resolution for Hopper Road at Watson Blvd since they just did improvements a few years ago, and about the State Police Building.



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Supervisor Richard A. Materese said it's a continuation and completion of the Hooper Road/Watson Boulevard project. He also explained that the State Police are moving back on the lower level and our Town Court is coming back to the first floor. He said it will be a savings of at least \$50,000 a year in rent.

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

1. Town Clerk's Monthly Report – June 2022.
2. Town of Union Planning Board Decision – Special Use Permit Approval – Small Scale Solar Project, William & Tara Adee, Application # PB-2022-22, 921 Hooper Road, Endwell, Tax Map #125.19-3-13.
3. Town of Union Planning Department – Minor Site Plan Approval – Equipment Upgrade, Verizon Site Name: Endwell North, Application # PD-2022-023, 701 Hooper Road, Endwell, Tax Map #141.08-2-4.
4. Town of Union Planning Board Decision – Special Permit: Development in a Floodplain – Enhancement of Existing Driveway, Norbut Solar Farms, NSF Union Center Maine Highway, LLC-Application # 2022-09A, 1571 & 1657 Union Center Maine Highway, Tax Map #'s 124.04-1-8.1 and 124.04-1-5.1.
5. Town of Union Planning Board Decision – Special Use Permit: Large-Scale Solar Project, 15 MW a.c. Distributed Community Solar Farm, Norbut Solar Farms, NSF Union Center Maine Highway, LLC-Application # 2022-09C, 1571 & 1657 Union Center Maine Highway, Tax Map #'s 124.04-1-8.1 and 124.04-1-5.1.
6. Town of Union Planning Board Decision - Site Plan Approval: Large-Scale Solar Project, 15 MW a.c. Distributed Community Solar Farm, Norbut Solar Farms, NSF Union Center Maine Highway, LLC-Application # 2022-09B, 1571 & 1657 Union Center Maine Highway, Tax Map #'s 124.04-1-8.1 and 124.04-1-5.1.
7. Town of Union Local Development Corporation Minutes – June 23, 2022.



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8. Town of Union Planning Board Decision – Special Permit Approval Revised: Outdoor Seating and Cooking, Application # PB-2022-25A - The Fairways Indoor Golf Co., 511 Hooper Road, Tax Map # 142.13-1-12.

9. Town of Union Planning Board Decision – Revised Site Plan Review: Outdoor Seating and Cooking, Application # PB-2002-25B – The Fairways Indoor Golf Co., 511 Hooper Road, Tax Map # 142.13-1-12.

10. Town of Union Permits Report – July 2022.
Carried

Councilwoman Heather R. Staley said tomorrow is Queen Robertson's 17th birthday and she will be a senior at Tiger Ventures this year. She also said she is her youngest child and the last one at home.

Supervisor Richard A. Materese wanted to commend Councilwoman Heather R. Staley for her work on the National Night Out in Endicott. He said it was a huge success and over 200 families were given food. He said the West Endicott Fire Department was there demonstrating their truck and the Union EMS and Broome County Sheriff's Department were also in attendance.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 P.M.

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