

Town Board

Robert Mack, Supervisor Thomas R. Augostini, Councilman Frank J. Bertoni, Councilman Joseph P. Nirchi, Sr., Councilman David Kudgus, Councilman

TOWN OF UNION BOARD MEETING

August 9, 2023

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Union was held on Wednesday, August 9, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Board room, 3111 East Main Street, Endwell, New York.

<u>BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT</u>: Supervisor Robert Mack, Councilman Thomas R. Augostini, Councilman Frank J. Bertoni, Councilman Joseph P. Nirchi, Jr., Councilman David Kudgus.

<u>TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT</u>: Attorney Assistant Gina Middleton, Town Clerk Leonard J. Perfetti, Deputy Town Clerk Rebecca Kruczkowski, Planning Director Christopher Kylor. Absent: Town Attorney Alan J. Pope.

Also in attendance was John Bernardo, previous Town of Union Supervisor.

Supervisor Robert Mack opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A Public Hearing was called for on August 9, 2023 to seek public input in regards to the proposed Substantial Amendment to the 2019 CARES ACT: CDBGCV & CDBG-CV3 Annual Plan.

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John Bernardo, Director of SEPP, thanked Chris Kylor and staff on this plan that is being put together. He said good work is being done in SEPP buildings and assuming we can move forward with it, additional work can be done. He also said much of the work is already underway and all has been bid out.

Councilman Thomas Augostini said to highlight for the record, this is for generators at the Harry L. Drive building in Johnson City and for Nichols Notch in Endicott that currently do not have generators for a vulnerable population.

Supervisor Robert Mack said tonight we are voting on some overages to fund those two generators. He said with the weather we are having, along with power failures and the populations in those buildings, it makes it a necessity.

As no one else wished to speak, Supervisor Robert Mack closed the Public Hearing.



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, July 12 2023, and the special Meeting held on Tuesday, July 18, 2023.

Carried.

HEARING OF VISITORS:

Dan Loiselle, 3201 Wayne Street, Endwell, said the building on Watson Boulevard across from the Byrne Dairy was torn down and he asked if the Board knew if something will be built there.

Supervisor Robert Mack said there is nothing known of as of yet.

Councilman Thomas R. Augostini said the property is owned by Rob Salamida and there has always been discussion about what would be going in at that location.

As no one wished to speak, Supervisor Robert Mack closed the First Hearing of Visitors.

COMMUNICATIONS FOR FILING:

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

- 1. Charter Communications Notices 7/7/23, 8/1/23.
- 2. Letter from Susan E. Reif, District Clerk, Union-Endicott Central School District, notifying the Town of the names and addresses of the 2023-2024 Union Endicott Board of Education members.
- 3. Union Volunteer Emergency Squad, Inc. monthly report June 30, 2023. Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS FOR ACTION:

1. Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to refer the Notice of Claim from Gina Mancini, 223 Bermond Avenue, Endicott, for an accident with a Town of Union tractor trailer on July 6, 2023 and requesting reimbursement for damages sustained to Town Attorney Alan J. Pope,



Commissioner of Public Works Louis V. Caforio, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works for Environmental Services Daniel Schofield and the Town Insurance Carrier. Carried.

- 2. Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to approve the Email from Dan Griffith, West Corners Fire District Commissioner requesting use of a Town of Union garbage truck on Thursday, August 17, 2023 for their annual Ice Cream Social, and refer it 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 approve the Email from Meaghan Pariseau & Erin DiRado, Co-Leaders, Girl Scout Troop 30019, requesting use of a pavilion #7 and fees be waived at Highland Park on Saturday, August 28, 2023 at 6:00 P.M. for their annual Bridging Ceremony and refer it to Commissioner of Public Works Louis V. Caforio and Parks Manager Jay Vassil.

 Carried.
- 4. Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to approve the Email from Dave Hubman, President of Endicott Lions Club, requesting use of the facility at 17C Sports Complex on Saturday, October 7th from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM to hold their annual Punt, Pass and Kick Competition and refer it to Commissioner of Public Works Louis V. Caforio and Parks Manager Jay Vassil.

 Carried.
- 5. Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to refer the letter from Janet Maxian on behalf of Nicholas Sarchioto announcing a Public Hearing regarding Imperium3 New York Project will be held on Thursday, August 10, 2023 from 2:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. by ZOOM and requesting funds to be released for this project to the Town Board. Carried.
- 6. Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to refer the letter from Huso Hadzic, currently residing at 8104-223 Street NW, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada regarding an injury he received at Highland Park Pool on August 6, 2023, to Town Attorney Alan J. Pope, Commissioner of Public Works Louis V. Caforio, Park Manager Jay Vassil and the Town's Insurance Carrier. Carried.
- 7. Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to refer the Notice of Claim from Jordan Mastronardi, 2937 Northwood Drive, Endwell, regarding damage from flood water in his basement caused by improper work performed by a third party construction company replacing pipes on Northwood Drive for the Town of Union, to Town Attorney Alan J. Pope, Commissioner of Public Works Louis V. Caforio, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works Environmental Services Daniel Schofield and the Town's Insurance Carrier. Carried.



PETITIONS: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

Motion to approve the following 2023 Budget Transfers:

Increase	Recreation Equipment	10-7145-2501	\$ 1,000.00
Increase	Special Events Services	10-7145-4462	\$ 4,000.00
Increase	Special Events Supplies	10-7145-4162	\$ 1,000.00
Decrease	Recreation Dept. Supplies	10-7145-4159	\$ 3,500.00
Decrease	Recreation Dept. Printing	10-7145-4403	\$ 2,500.00
Increase	Building Maint .& Services	20-1620-4413	\$ 5,000.00
Decrease	Capital Improvement	20-1620-2050	\$ 5,000.00
Increase	Temp Non-Payroll	20-8160-4099	\$20,000.00
Decrease	Tipping Fee	20-8160-4513	\$20,000.00
Carried.			

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to approve the following 2023 Invoices from the Johnson City PBA for Security at the Town of Union Court due to the Court not having a Bailiff: June 5, 2023 - \$1,800.00 and July 10, 2023 - \$960.00 for a total of \$2,760.00 and approval of future invoices received for similar services through the end of 2023 or when a bailiff is hired, whichever should come first. Also, requesting approval of any necessary budget transfers for said invoices to be as follows:

Increase 10-1110-4512 Justice Department Professional Services \$XX.XX

Decrease 10-1110-1010 Justice Department Base Salaries \$XX.XX.)

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

The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to approve the following 2023 Budget Modification:

Increase	Highway P/T Other Equipment	31-5110-2500	\$37,617.23
Increase	Highway P/T Appropriated Fund Balance	31-5990-0000	\$37,617.23

This increase is needed to cover the cost of a new Mack 2024 GR42F dump truck in excess of the 2022 BAN amount of \$140,000.00.)

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

The Resolution was adopted.



(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to request Change Order #1 (one) for G. DeVincentis & Son Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of \$10,064.00, thus increasing the project total to \$994,064.00 for the Drainage Improvements Project- Construction. The project increase is due to a change in pipe bedding material.)

Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Nirchi.

The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes authorizing the purchase of a new 2024 Mack Granite GR42F Dump Truck off of the Onondaga County Heavy Truck Class 8 Statewide Contract #8996. The purchase price is \$177,617.23. Monies for this purchase will be from the Highway Capital Line.)

Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Nirchi.

The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes authorizing the order of seven (7) new 2024 Chevrolet Silverado 2500 HD work trucks from National Fleet Auto Group under the Sourcewell Contract 091521-NAF for \$56,005 each FOB (free on board) our highway garage. Funding for the trucks will be through a combination of prior year's capital allocations and fund balance. All replacements have been Town Board approved, but the manufacturer was not accepting non-retail orders until just recently. One truck is for the Refuse Department, three are for the Parks Department and three are for the Highway Department. Vehicles to be declared surplus will be decided upon once a build schedule has been received from the dealer.)

Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Nirchi.

The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to approve the estimate for professional services to clean up and secure 3608 Briar Lane, Endwell, NY from First General of Southern NY. Inc., 2906 E. Main Street, Endwell, New York in the amount of \$26,873.78, subject to Town Attorney approval.)

Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Nirchi.

The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to approve the estimate for professional services to clean up (Outside Only) of 508 June Street, Endicott, NY 13760 from Hawk's Haven Inc., 164 Squirrel Hill Road, Chenango Forks, New York, in the amount of \$4,500.00. This work is being performed on an emergency basis pursuant to a Court Order authorizing said professional services, therefore, one estimate was obtained.)

Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Nirchi.

The Resolution was adopted.

Vote: All yes.



(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to approve an increase in the salary of the Highway Superintendent by \$2,500 effective July 25, 2023, which is the one year anniversary of the hire date of the said Highway Superintendent, on the condition that the Commissioner of Public Works approves the same in writing.)

Res. by Nirchi, seconded by Augostini.

Vote: All yes.

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The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution as part of these minutes to accept and approve the FFY 23-24 CDBG Annual Action Plan and authorize the Town Supervisor, Deputy Supervisor, & Planning Director to execute and submit any and all documentation to HUD for required 45-day comment and review period.)

Res. by Kudgus. Seconded by Augostini.

The Resolution was adopted.

Moved by Kudgus, seconded by Augostini authorizing Planning Director Christopher Kylor to request proposals for Engineering Services for the CDBG FFY 23-24 Village of Endicott North Arthur Avenue Street Reconstruction project.

Carried.

Moved by Kudgus, seconded by Augostini authorizing Planning Director Christopher Kylor to request continued Engineering Services from Hulbert Engineering for the Grand Ave Phase #7 project.

Carried.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to accept and award the Bids for the Town of Union Surplus Property Auction to Steven Zanazzi, 782 Marconi Blvd. Copiaque, New York as follows:

618 Zimmer Avenue, Endicott	\$2,200.00
1709 Nanticoke Drive, Endicott	\$2,200.00
56 Cherry Street, Johnson City	\$2,200.00
147 Hudson Street, Johnson City	\$2,200.00
68 Roberts Street, Johnson City	\$2,200.00
194 St. Charles Street, Johnson City	\$2,200.00.

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

The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to approve the combined notice of Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and Request for Release Of Funds (RROF) for the Town of Union Community Development Block Grant Federal Fiscal Year 2023 Annual Action Plan and authorize the Supervisor or Deputy Supervisor to execute all documentation required for



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submission to HUD. The Supervisor, Deputy Supervisor, and/or Planning Director are further authorized to prepare and submit any technical corrections to the FONSI/RROF that may be required by HUD.)

Res. by Kudgus, seconded by Augostini.

The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to increase the current allocated funds for CDBG-CV & CV3 projects: SEPP Nichols Notch generator & SEPP Harry L. Apartments. The Town of Union will use unobligated funds of CDBG-CV funds to increase IDIS #1723 Harry L. Apartments Emergency Generator project from \$85,000.00 to \$136,200.00 (increase of \$51,200.00) & IDIS #1724 Nichols Notch Apartments Emergency Generator project from \$90,000.00 to \$114,730.00 (increase of \$24,730.00).)

Res. by Kudgus, seconded by Augostini.

The Resolution was adopted.

HEARING OF VISITORS:

Carol Laskoski, 37 Edwards Street, Johnson City, asked about attack on the life guard at the Z-pool and if they arrested anyone in the attack. She also asked about the sale of the surplus properties.

Supervisor Robert Mack said the Z-pool is in the Village of Endicott and he believes there have been arrests made in the attack. He further said the surplus properties are empty lots from the flooded properties that were torn down; and he heard the new owner wants to put small modular homes on them. He said we are happy to get rid of them so we don't have to take care of them anymore.

As no one else wished to speak, Supervisor Robert Mack 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 Monthly Report June 2023.
- 2. Town of Union Planning Board Decision Site Plan Approval –Retail Business Application # PB-2023-16, Rochelle Lane, Shops at 607, 4416 Watson Boulevard, Endwell, Tax Map # 142.02-1-14.



3. Town of Union Planning Board Decision – Site Plan Approval – Small Scale Solar Project - Application # PB-2023-20, Peter & Barbara Stanko, 520 Boswell Hill Road, Endicott, Tax Map # 124.03-1-29.

Carried.

Councilman Frank J. Bertoni said he had the pleasure of going to the soft opening of the Dick's House of Sports and that it is a wonderful addition to the community.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

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

Leonard J. Perfetti Town Clerk

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