

**Continuation of Public Hearing on Proposed Moratorium, 7:15 p.m.
Town Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
February 2, 2017**

Present: Supervisor Neil Bettez, Councilman Dan Torres, Councilwoman Julie Seyfert-Lillis.

Absent: Councilman Jeff Logan, Councilman Marty Irwin.

At 7:18 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Torres to open the continuation of the public hearing on the proposed moratorium. Seconded by Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 7:18 p.m. Councilman Logan and Councilman Irwin arrived.

Public Input:

None

At 7:30 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Logan to adjourn the public hearing until March 2, 2017 at 7:15 p.m. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 7:32 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to open the Town Board meeting with the pledge. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Public Input:

Amanda Gotto spoke about the recent arrests made at the Blue Moon Cabaret.

Lee Noble asked if New Paltz is a Sanctuary City.

Agenda: +Legal Counsel for Building Department, +Status of revised moratorium law, +SUNY Impact letter, Table the Mill Brook Preserve MOA. A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to adopt the agenda as amended. Seconded by Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 7:47 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to go into executive session for the purposes of conducting an interview, and to invite Laura Petit to join. Seconded by Councilman Logan. Councilman Irwin requested the interview be conducted in public, and the applicant accepted. Motion tabled.

Interview- Waste Reduction and ReUse Outreach Assistant:

The Town Board spoke to Leanne Maloney and indicated that she was the top choice of all the applicants. A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve the hiring of Leanne Maloney as the Waste Reduction and ReUse Outreach Assistant for the Town of New Paltz, at the advertised rate of pay. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Appointment:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to appoint Joshua Tabak to the Transportation Implementation Committee. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Rte. 299 Gateway Committee Appointments and Resolution:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve the following resolution and appoint Susan Blickstein, Laura deNey, John Orfitelli, Matthew DiDonna, Peter Kaufman, Joe Douso and Lagusta Yearwood as the "Special Board" and himself as the liaison:

WHEREAS, the Town of New Paltz has hired the firm Barton & Loguidice (B&L) to work with the Town of New Paltz Route 299 Gateway Committee ("the Committee") to solicit input from the community with workshops, interviews, and hearings, to review the Town Comprehensive Plan as it relates to the Route 299 Gateway area, and to revise the Plan and the Town's Zoning Code as needed to reflect the community's vision for this important entranceway to the Town and the Village, and

WHEREAS, we anticipate that amendments to the Town's Comprehensive Plan may be necessary to support the proposed zoning changes and, according to New York State Town Law §272-a(4), a "Special Board" may prepare a proposed town comprehensive plan and amendments thereto, and

WHEREAS, a "Special Board" is defined in New York State Town Law §272-a(2)(c) as follows: "special board" means a board consisting of one or more members of the planning board and such other members as are appointed by the town board to prepare a proposed comprehensive plan and/or an amendment, and

WHEREAS, in the event the Special Board is directed to prepare a proposed comprehensive plan or amendments thereto, such Board shall, by resolution, recommend such proposed plan or amendments to the Town Board,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that “the Committee” shall consist of Lagusta Yearwood, Town of New Paltz Planning Board; Peter Kaufman, New Paltz Bike/Pedestrian Committee; Laura deNey, Town of New Paltz EnCB; John Orfitelli, Town of New Paltz Historic Preservation Commission; Joseph Douso, Town of New Paltz Zoning Board of Appeals; Susan Blickstein, AICP/PP, PhD, Citizen Member; and Matthew DiDonna, Citizen Member. Neil Bettez, Town Supervisor will be a liaison to the Town Board.

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board formally constitutes “the Committee” as a “Special Board” for the purpose of any recommended amendments to the comprehensive plan that may be necessary.

Seconded by Councilman Torres. A friendly amendment was offered by Councilman Irwin proposing text revisions. A motion was made by Councilman Torres approving the text revisions to all but the last “Whereas” and the “Now, therefore”, by Councilman Irwin. Seconded by Supervisor Bettez. Aye votes cast by Supervisor Bettez, Councilman Torres and Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis. Nay votes cast by Councilman Logan and Councilman Irwin. Motion carried.

Presentation- Kate Fishman and Laura Petit: Revision of Town Law § 66-Landfill:
Ms. Petit, Recycling Coordinator, indicated that Kate Fishman is a senior at the New Paltz High School who has been working with her to fulfill her community service requirement. She has been working to edit the antiquated law pertinent to the landfill. Ms. Fishman indicated that the law dates back to the 1960’s and made reference to the landfill on Pioneer Trail, which no longer exists. The revisions were made to reflect the use of the Transfer Station now on Clearwater Road, and the additions of definitions for recyclables, reuse and recycling. The revised law also includes various rules and regulations. She will continue to work on this with Ms. Petit.

Acceptance of Minutes:
A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to accept *the Police Commission and Joint Town & Village Minutes of January 19, 2017*. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast. Councilman Logan abstained due to his absence from the meeting. Motion carried.

Senior Coordinator Contract:
A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to authorize the Supervisor to sign the contract with Kathy Pugliese as the Senior Coordinator. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Monthly POs:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve the authorization to create the following purchase order on a monthly basis for payroll processing purposes:

AFLAC	PTA020	\$1,356
ALLSTATE	PTA020	\$750
MET LIFE	PTA020	\$20
NEW PALTZ PBA	PTA024	\$3,650
NY LIFE	PTA020	\$700
NYS DEFERRED COMP	PTA017	\$3,750 (2X) 3 in Jun & Nov
TOWN OF NP GENERAL A FUND	PTA 020	\$5,000
	PTA019	\$210
TOWN OF NP GENERAL B FUND	PTA020	\$232
	PTA019	\$5
TOWN OF NP DA FUND	PTA020	\$580
	PTA019	\$5
TOWN OF NP DB FUND	PTA020	\$1,663
	PTA019	\$24
TOWN OF NP SP DISTRICTS FUND	PTA020	\$200
	PTA019	\$35
UPSEU-GENERAL	PTA024	\$482
UPSEU-HIGHWAY	PTA024	\$596

Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

PrePays:
A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve the prepayment of \$13,047.90 as a down payment to RenoSys Corporation for the installation of a pool liner in both the main pool and the

wading pool in the spring of 2017. It will be charged to the B-Fund line BBB-522-7110-400, and the appropriation of the additional fund balance to cover the cost. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Water Bill Request:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to allow for the customer with account #292-0 to arrange a payment plan with the Water Department and Comptroller to pay their unusually high bill, with no penalties charged. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Affordable Care Act Resolution:

A motion was made by Councilman Torres to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, profound social, demographic, technological, and political changes have swept across the United States during the tenure of the 44th President, including important shifts in government policy and public opinion; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that the nation continues to advance and embrace change in the form of legislation such as the Affordable Care Act, ACA, which makes healthcare and health insurance more affordable and more available to more Americans; and

WHEREAS, since 2010, 19.2 million people have gained health insurance and the uninsured rate has dropped 38%; and

WHEREAS, under the new Administration, the ACA is likely to be irresponsibly repealed without a replacement plan in place; and

WHEREAS, if the ACA is fully repealed, 23.1 million people could lose their health insurance, including 1.4 million young adults on parents' plans; and

WHEREAS, a repeal of the ACA would have detrimental effects on the residents of New York, as an estimated 2.7 million New Yorkers would lose coverage, including 19,850 individuals in Ulster County; and

WHEREAS, the estimated direct New York State budget impact of the repeal is \$3.7 billion; and

WHEREAS, a repeal would result in a total loss of \$595 million in additional federal Medicaid funding currently available through the ACA, which goes directly to New York counties and helps to lower property taxes; and

WHEREAS, Ulster County would lose \$2,935,566 in allocated annual funding; and

WHEREAS, the New Paltz Town Council believes the health and civil rights of Americans should never be at risk; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the New Paltz Town Council opposes any effort to repeal or weaken the Affordable Care Act; and be it further

RESOLVED, the New Paltz Town Council further opposes any similar measure that unnecessarily causes a massive increase in the deficit, reduces consumer rights and protections, and puts the health of the American people at risk; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Clerk of the Town of New Paltz shall forward copies of this resolution to U.S. Senators Charles Schumer and Kirsten Gillibrand, U.S. Congressman John Faso and Hon. Governor Andrew Cuomo.

Seconded by Supervisor Bettez, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Update-Cleaner Greener Communities:

Supervisor Bettez indicated that the program by NYSERDA consists of 10 High Impact Actions. The Town Board recently approved the Unified Solar Permit and accomplished Benchmarking. The Town Building Department has agreed to go to Energy Training, and the Town will be working to install Electric Vehicle Charging Stations, mostly funded through grants. The coordinator was very pleased with the Town's progress.

Status Update-Revised Moratorium Law:

Supervisor Bettez indicated that he is waiting to hear back from Attorney Victoria Polidoro regarding her attendance at a meeting. Councilman Irwin indicated that he would like to see the revised law brought before the Board expeditiously. Further discussion ensued.

At 8:46 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rosanna Mazzaccari
Town Clerk