



**Town Board Meeting
October 5, 2023, 7:00 p.m.
59 N. Putt Corners & Via Videoconference**

Present: Supervisor Neil Bettez, Councilwoman Esi Lewis, Councilwoman Alex Baer, Councilwoman Julie Seyfert.

At 7:06 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to open the Town Board meeting with the pledge. Seconded by Councilwoman Seyfert, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Agenda: +Overlay Zoning Discussion

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to adopt the agenda as amended. Seconded by Councilwoman Baer, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Public Comment:

Kitty Brown asked about the list of Short-Term rental list.

Consent Agenda:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve and/or authorize the following as part of the consent agenda. Seconded by Councilwoman Baer, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

- a. Approval of Minutes: September 21st, 2023
- b. Establishment of an escrow account for PB23-418, a site plan application for Agri-Business Child Development located at 355 Route 32 North, New Paltz, in the amount of \$1,000.00 with a replenishment level set at \$250.00
- c. Request authorization to add Diane Cano and Celinda Rodriguez to the prepay list for Community Education project painting.

ADU Law Discussion:

The Board agreed to change the law to make it less restrictive by removing the 900 s.f. requirement. A public hearing will be scheduled for a later date.

Discussion-Proposed Retail Dispensaries:

The Board is in support of the business at 1 Old Route 299, which has already been approved by the Town Planning Board. The Board, however, has concerns about the one proposed at 56 Main Street, as it is within 500 feet of Elting Library, a community space.

Authorization to sign proposal:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to Authorization for the Supervisor to sign a Professional Construction Services proposal with LaBella Associates for continued professional construction services associated with contract administration and inspection of the construction for the Plains Road Water District (PRWD), installation and permitting for mechanical backup well PW-3, and contingency project management services, as well as additional authorization for \$240,000.00. Seconded by Councilwoman Baer, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Resolution to lower speed limit:

The Town Board will ask the Chief to use the PD's speed sign to monitor Springtown Road in the area between Dug and Cragwood.

Disc-Subdivision Regulations, Building Construction and Fire Prevention, Overlay Zoning:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to send the Overlay Zoning changes to the Town Planning Board and the Ulster County Planning Board. Seconded by Councilwoman Baer, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Budget Modifications:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to modify the 2023 adopted budget for the use of a temp agency as follows:

TO:					FROM:					
BBB	522	3620.400	Safety Inspections, CE	19,500.00	BBB	522	3620.100	Safety Inspections, PS		19,500.00

Request authorization to *modify* the 2023 adopted budget for cost overruns as follows:

TO:					FROM:					
DBB	522	5130.400	Machinery, CE	25,000.00	DBB	522	5110.400	General Repairs, CE		25,000.00

Request authorization to **increase** the 2023 adopted budget for additional CHIPS funding as follows:

INCREASE:

DBB	960		Appropriations	250,062.00	
DBB	522	5112.200	Perm Improvements, CHIPS		250,062.00

INCREASE:

DBB	510		Estimated Revenues	250,062.00	
DBB	980	3501.000	CHIPS	250,062.00	

Seconded by Councilwoman Baer, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Authorization to offer benefits:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to offer Colonial and MassMutual Benefits at 100% employee cost. Seconded by Councilwoman Baer, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Authorization to approve 2024 MVP rates:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve MVP's published rates for 2024 at a 6.4% rate higher than 2023. Seconded by Councilwoman Baer, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Authorization to purchase and install timeclocks:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to purchase and install 7 biometric timeclocks (Town Hall, Highway, Recycling, Community Center, Justice Court, Youth Center and Pool) at a cost of \$1,116 each (all-inclusive, software, wi-fi capabilities, tech support, and warranty) as the final stage of the computer upgrade project. Seconded by Councilwoman Baer, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Executive Session:

At 7:41 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to go into executive session. Seconded by Councilwoman Baer, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 7:57 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to come out of executive session. Seconded by Councilwoman Baer, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve a Notice of Discipline for Toby Kollbeck for misconduct and incompetence and suspend him without pay for a period of 30 days, effective immediately pending the determination of charges. Seconded by Councilwoman Seyfert, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 7:57 p.m. a motion was made Supervisor Bettez by to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Baer, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rosanna Rosenkranse
Town Clerk