



**Town Board Meeting  
January 16, 2020, 7:30 p.m.,  
Town Courthouse, 23 Plattekill Ave.**

**Present:** Supervisor Neil Bettez, Councilman Dan Torres, Councilwoman Alex Baer, Councilwoman Julie Seyfert-Lillis, Councilman David Brownstein.

At 7:45 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to open the Town Board meeting with the pledge. Seconded by Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Agenda:** Amend item 1h to reflect an effective date of 1/18/2020 and to be paid at the Union Contract rate.

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

**Consent Agenda:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez and seconded by Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis to approve and/or authorize the following items as part of the consent agenda. All aye votes cast, motion carried.

1. Approval of Minutes: January 2<sup>nd</sup> Re-Org, January 8<sup>th</sup> Joint Meeting
2. Acceptance of resignation: Mark Jaffee, Building Department
3. Authorization to create part-time Recycling assistant position
4. Authorization to hire Amanda Sisenstein at the Town of New Paltz Recycling and ReUse Center beginning January 17, 2020 on a per-diem basis at a rate of \$19.74 per hour; not to exceed 20 hours per week
5. Authorization of purchase: Highways bucket truck
6. Authorization to add to the previously approved monthly PO listing for 2020: Time Warner Cable, \$15.49, AAA-522-3120.400
7. Authorization to execute the 2020 Ulster County STOP-DWI contract
8. Authorization to hire Elaina Beauchamp-Luyando as a full-time dispatcher effective 1/18/2020 at the Union Contract rate
9. Escrow release ZBA 2017-2; Ferris Woods, no refund (application withdrawn)
10. Escrow release PB #15-4; Ferris Woods, no refund (application withdrawn)
11. Authorization to hire Colleen Maher as a part-time dispatcher beginning 1/18/2020 at a rate of \$21.95 per hour

**Swearing-In of Full-Time Dispatcher:**

Elaina Beauchamp-Luyando was sworn in as a Full-Time Dispatcher.

**Annual Report-Environmental Conservation Board (EnCB):**

EnCB Chair Ingrid Haeckel presented the 2019 Annual Report of Activities which included Project Review, Policy Research and Development, Education and Awareness, Representation on other Committees and updates to the Critical Environmental Areas Proposal (CEAs). Ms. Haeckel indicated that if the Town Board wanted to designate the CEAs, they first step would be to set a public hearing and initiate SEQRA with an Unlisted Action.

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to schedule the public hearing for February 6<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Executive Session:**

At 8:21 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to go into executive session to discuss personnel. Seconded by Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to hire Amanda Sisenstein as Recycling Assistant at a rate of \$19.24/hr for 20 hours/week. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to authorize the Building Inspector to canvass the Ulster County Civil Service List to replace Mark Jaffee, or if no list, to seek suitable qualified candidate at a starting salary of \$24.038/hour. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to authorize the Building Inspector to canvass from the Ulster County Civil Service list for 2 part-time positions at a salary of \$15.00/hour per position, and

if there are no available candidates, to advertise for these positions. In addition, the Supervisor is authorized to sign all documentation necessary to create the additional part-time clerk position for the Building Department. Seconded by Councilman Brownstein, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to hire Keith Douglas as an MEO in the Highway Department at the 2020 rate of 24.55 (per contract initial hire rate will be \$1 less than the contract rate). After 6 months the employee will receive a \$.50 hourly increase. After 12 months the employee will receive an additional \$.50 hourly increase. The effective date of hire is anticipated to be February 2, 2020. Seconded by Councilman Brownstein, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Establishment of Escrow:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to authorize the Supervisor to sign an establishment of escrow for PB #19-272; Institute for Family Health Site Plan. Seconded by Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Server Conversion:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to authorize the expenditure of up to \$1,200 for Toshiba new server conversion for DocuWare. Seconded by Councilwoman Baer, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Warrant:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve the January Warrant in the amount of \$887,960.01. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Discussion of Committee Assignments:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to accept the final list of Committee Assignments. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Town Board Liaison Assignments**

<b>Board/Commission</b>	<b>2020 Liaison</b>
Bicycle / Pedestrian Committee	David Brownstein
Board of Assessment Review	Dan Torres
Clean Water Open Space (CWOSP)	Julie Seyfert-Lillis
Community Improvement Team (CIT)	Alex Baer
Environmental Conservation Board (EnCB)	Julie Seyfert-Lillis
Ethics Board	Dan Torres
Historic Preservation Commission	Julie Seyfert-Lillis
Planning Board	David Brownstein
Public Access Television	Alex Baer
Transportation Implementation Committee (TIC)	Alex Baer
Zoning Board	David Brownstein
Union Contract Negotiating Team	Neil/David/Dan

At 9:04 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rosanna Rosenkranse  
Town Clerk