



**Town Board Meeting  
September 1, 2022, 7:00 p.m.  
Via Videoconference**

**Present:** Supervisor Neil Bettez, Councilwoman Alex Baer, Councilwoman Esi Lewis, Councilman Dan Torres. **Absent:** Councilwoman Julie Seyfert-Lillis.

At 7:02 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to open the meeting with the pledge. Seconded by Councilwoman Baer, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Agenda:** +Extend watering contract to end of September.

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

**Announcements:**

Amanda Gotto and Janelle Peotter gave an update on the Community Action Plan. The Committee will be kicking off a series of outreach activities including “Pop-Ups” at various events in September. As well as a Community Workshop on October 11<sup>th</sup> at the Community Center from 7-9 p.m. A survey will also be going out in October.

**Public Input:**

-Kitty Brown spoke about the Greenway Planning Grant with hopes that the Town Board will apply for it.

**Executive Session:**

At 7:09 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to go into executive session to discuss personnel with Labor Attorney Bill Wallens, Benjamin Heffley and Chris Marx. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 8:23 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to come out of executive session. Seconded by Councilwoman Lewis, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to canvass the Ulster County Civil Service list for the following positions and if no lists exists then to advertise for such: a full-time Building Department Clerk with a salary range of \$17-20/hr depending on experience/qualifications, and a full-time Zoning Enforcement Officer with a salary range of \$22-24/hr depending on experience/qualifications and permission to advertise for the following non-civil service position: a full-time Planning Zoning Board Secretary with a salary range of \$17-20/hr depending on experience/qualifications. Seconded by Councilwoman Baer, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Tax Cap Override Review:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to adopt the resolution declaring the Town Board Lead Agency and declaring a Negative Declaration under SEQRA. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to set the public hearing for September 15, 2022 at 7 p.m. Seconded by Councilwoman Lewis, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Consent Agenda:**

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

- a. Approval of Minutes: August 18, 2022
- b. Authorization to hire Jules Branitz, Campbell Heiz, Josie LaPolt, Will Mergl, Joshua Pappace, Koby Wulfmeyer, and Cole Mumford as Seasonal Workers for Moriello Pool from September 11, 2022 through December 3, 2022, at the rate of \$14.00 per hour
- c. Authorization for the Supervisor to sign the Intermunicipal Agreement for Police Security Services with the New Paltz Central School District
- d. Authorization for the Supervisor to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with the New Paltz Central School District for the provision of police security services at school events
- e. Acceptance of resignation: Keith Douglas, Highway MEO, effective September 7, 2022
- f. Acceptance of resignation: Brianna Tetro, Building Dept./ Planning/Zoning
- g. Authorization of pre-pay to Willie Dixon, PO 22-01909, in the amount of \$435.00
- h. Authorization to hire Kevin Chapman as a per diem Municipal Worker I for Recycling/ReUse at the rate of \$20.80/hr.

**Authorization for the Supervisor to sign MOA:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Memorandum of Understanding and Unilateral Confidentiality Agreement with FiberLinc, LLC upon final approval from the Town Attorney. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Resolution to Expend Funds:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to adopt the following resolution. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Resolution authorizing the Town Board of the Town of New Paltz, Ulster County, New York, to expend \$6,500 of funds from the Police Computer Reserve Fund to purchase an in-car computer replacement for the Town of New Paltz Police Department, subject to Permissive Referendum**

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board of the Town of New Paltz, Ulster County, New York, has heretofore established a Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to Section 6-c of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York; and **WHEREAS**, all conditions precedent to the financing of the capital purchase heretofore described have been performed; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined that the probable usefulness of the aforesaid capital purchase is thirty (30) years pursuant to Subdivision 21 of paragraph (a) of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law; and

**WHEREAS**, it is anticipated that an amount not to exceed \$6,500 of the total anticipated in-car computer cost will be financed by the use of the "Police Department Computer Reserve Fund," a capital reserve heretofore established pursuant to Section 6-c of General Municipal Law, and now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Supervisor of the Town of New Paltz be and hereby is authorized and directed to transfer from the "Police Department Computer Reserve Fund," to an appropriate capital project expense item an amount not to exceed \$6,500 of the principal and accumulated interest in said "Police Department Computer Reserve Fund," to pay for the cost of an in-car computer replacement for the Town of New Paltz Police Department; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Resolution is subject to permissive referendum.

**Granting of Waiver:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to grant the waiver of 140-22.3(D)(1) design standard for Farmer's Choice, Inc. Seconded by Councilwoman Baer, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Authorization of Appointment:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to authorize the appointment of Karyn Morehouse, Confidential Secretary, effective September 7, 2022, upon Supervisor's consultation with Comptroller. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Extension of Contract:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to extend the watering contract for the flowers along Main St. until the end of September at a cost of \$900. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 8:36 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