



VILLAGE & TOWN OF NEW PALTZ  
Regular Joint Meeting of Wednesday, September 11th, 2019  
Village Hall -- 7:00 PM  
MINUTES

**Present:** Mayor Tim Rogers, Deputy Mayor KT Tobin, Trustee Wojcik, Trustee Zipp; Supervisor Neil Bettez, Deputy Supervisor Dan Torres, Councilperson Julie Seyfert-Lillis

**Also Present:** Ariana Basco, Assistant to the Mayor;

**Absent:** Trustee William Wheeler Murray, Councilperson Marty Irwin, Councilperson David Brownstein

**Call to Order:** Mayor Rogers called the regular joint meeting of the Village of Board of Trustees and Town Council to order at 7:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

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## ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

### 1. Approval of Agenda

- a. The following items were added to the Village Consent Agenda:
  - i. Approve Attendance and Cost
    1. Erosion and Sediment Control training on Wednesday, November 20, 2019
      - a. [Cory Wirthmann and William Buboltz](#)
      - b. Fee of \$50.00 each - total \$250.00
    2. NYS DOS Basic Code Enforcement Training Program (No cost)
      - a. William Buboltz
  - ii. Approve the participation of Village employees in the mandatory sexual harassment training given by Lt. Lucchesi at the Town.
  - iii. Authorize [Records Destruction Request](#) from the Clerk's Office
- b. The following items were added to the Village Business Agenda:
  - i. Move the 9/25 VB meeting from 7pm start time to 8pm start time to accommodate the Hasbrouck Park Playground Rebuild
  - ii. Village Board memo to our Stormwater Management Officer Bleu Terwilliger asking that he not waive need for a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) required per [Village Code 165-29](#). Stewart's has requested relief from the development of SWPPP requirements.
  - iii. Whether to continue with the parking station at Plattekill Ave and take delivery on three other stations or terminate the lease
  - iv. Send letter to the NYSDOT asking that they take a closer look at vehicles turning the wrong way up N. Front Street off N. Chestnut Street. Could improvements be made?

- v. Letter from the Village Board to Central Hudson, Verizon, and Spectrum asking them to provide financial assistance towards our playground build
- vi. Borrow additional funds to help offset expenses for the Town Water Meters/Installations/Engineer expenses until NYC DEP reimburses the Village. DEP reimbursements can take anywhere from 3-6 months or longer. This BAN is in addition to the loan we gave to the Capital fund to support this project and the Well drilling expenses.
- c. The following items were removed from the Agenda:
  - i. Postponed: Housing Justice For All Presentation and Discussion Re: Rent Stabilization
    - 1. [Kingston Housing Vacancy Analysis RFP](#)

Mayor Rogers moves to approve the agenda as amended. Trustee Wojcik seconds. all in favor.

**(Passes 4-0)**

Councilperson Seyfert-Lillis moves to approve the agenda as amended. Supervisor Bettez seconds. All in favor. **(Passes 3-0)**

## 2. Announcements

- a. On 9/9/19 - Nick Coddington and Bleu Terwilliger completed 28 years of service with the Village
- b. Hasbrouck Park Playground Rebuild - 2 weeks out and we have a lot to get done, but we have an amazing team that can get a lot done in a short amount of time. We need more volunteers! There are opportunities for high school and college students to get credit for volunteering. Tribute slats that are in the existing playground with community names on them will be saved and people can take them if they want to, but they will also be used in a second hand creative project so they will not be going away. We are accepting donations and raising funds and checks should be made payable to New Paltz Community Foundation Inc. We are looking for safety captains who are RNs, RDs, and other medical professionals.

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## PUBLIC COMMENT

- 1. Bob Hughes - New Paltz Resident - Concerns related to the Empire State Trail and public safety. Requests that the VB draft a resolution that the Village be considered an interested party in the upcoming discussion of the intermunicipal agreement
- 2. William Weinstein - New Paltz Resident - Representing the Jewish Congregation of New Paltz addressing the Village Board, Village Planning Board, and Building Dept. The Site Plan Review process requires neighbor notification and an affidavit stating as such. Urges that the policy be changed to require that the notification be sent by certified mail with the proof

being produced to the Building Dept. There have been 3 occasions when the JCNP was not notified - Huckleberry,

3. Don Kerr - New Paltz Resident - Concerns regarding cruiser cameras and body cameras being used by the NPPD. A policy is required to insure usage and if money is
4. Leonard Loza - New Paltz Resident - Publicly thanking the DPW for patching potholes. Reporting on Central Hudson's two transformers that date back to 1959, which are likely to contain PCBs. Central Hudson should certify that these transformers do not contain PCBs.

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## JOINT BUSINESS AGENDA

5. Approve the [2019-08-01 Joint Meeting Minutes](#)

Mayor Rogers moves to approve the 2019-08-01 Joint Meeting Minutes. Deputy Mayor Tobin seconds. All in favor. **(Passes 4-0)**

Deputy Supervisor Torres moves to approve the 2019-08-01 Joint Meeting Minutes. Councilperson Seyfert-Lillis seconds. All in favor. **(Passes 3-0)**

6. Citizens Climate Lobby Presentation and Discussion
  - a. Michael O'Hara and Claire Cohen-Norris
  - b. [New York State Carbon Tax Resolution Template](#)
  - c. [Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act Resolution Template](#)
    - i. Carbon fee and dividend policy imposed upon certain companies that are already being tracked by the federal govt. Those fees are then distributed to every citizen.
    - ii. Congressperson Delgado has not yet sponsored and needs the Village and Town Boards to speak up in favor of it
  - d. [Parker/Cahill Bills](#)
  - e. [Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act Information](#)
  - f. [Personal Endorsement Page-Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act](#)

Deputy Mayor Tobin moves to adopt Resolution #60 of 2019: NYS Carbon Tax and Resolution #61 of 2019: Carbon Dividend Act. Trustee Wojcik seconds. All in favor. **(Passes 4-0)**

Deputy Supervisor Torres moves to adopt Resolution # of 2019: NYS Carbon Tax and Resolution # of 2019: Carbon Dividend Act. Councilperson Seyfert-Lillis seconds. All in favor. **(Passes 3-0)**

7. Discussion on holding joint meetings every other month instead of every month

The Boards decided to keep the schedule as is despite the fact that there are sometimes conflicts for Board members.

Supervisor Bettez, Deputy Supervisor Torres, Councilperson Seyfert-Lillis left the meeting at 8:13pm.

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## VILLAGE CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve the [2019-08-28 VB Meeting Minutes](#)
  2. Approve Event and Parade Requests
    - a. [2019-10-06 Apple Festival Reformed Church with street closure event application](#)
  3. Approve Attendance and Cost
    - a. Erosion and Sediment Control training on Wednesday, November 20, 2019
      - i. [Nick, Heather and Bleu](#)
      - ii. [Cory Wirthmann and William Buboltz](#)
      - iii. Fee of \$50.00 each - total \$250.00
    - b. NYS DOS Basic Code Enforcement Training Program (No cost)
      - i. William Buboltz
  4. Approve Payments
    - a. [VNP-142 Payment #12 for \\$54,962.53 dated 8-20-2019](#)
    - b. [VNP-184 Payment #12 for \\$167,590.45 SUNY Master Water Meters](#)
    - c. [VNP-185 Payment #2 FINAL for \\$153,662.25 dated 8-20-2019](#)
    - d. [Authorize payment of Jim Wild Invoice #172328 for \\$19,600.00](#)
    - e. Payment to Chazen for additional costs of Moriello Pool 72-hour pump test
    - f. Authorize Treasurer to use an additional \$21,000 from the Parkland fund to pay additional cost for the playground project. (already authorized up to \$175,000.00)
  5. [Hire Matthew Tompkins as MWI at a rate of \\$19.75 per hour](#) -- start date Sept 23rd
  6. [Approve reimbursement of \\$30.00 to Amnesty International for room fees - see memo from Clerk](#)
  7. Approve the participation of Village employees in the mandatory sexual harassment training given by Lt. Lucchesi at the Town.
  8. Authorize [Records Destruction Request](#) from the Clerk's Office
- Mayor Rogers moves to approve the consent agenda. Deputy Mayor Tobin seconds. All in favor.  
**(Passes 4-0)**

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## VILLAGE BUSINESS AGENDA

1. Move the 9/25 VB meeting from 7pm start time to 8pm start time to accommodate the Hasbrouck Park Playground Rebuild

Mayor Rogers moves to shift the Sept 25th meeting start time from 7pm to 8pm . Trustee Wojcik seconds. All in favor. **(Passes 4-0)**

2. Village Board memo to our Stormwater Management Officer Bleu Terwilliger asking that he not waive need for a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) required per [Village Code 165-29](#). Stewart's has requested relief from the development of SWPPP requirements.

Mayor Rogers moves to send a memo to our Stormwater Management Officer Bleu Terwilliger requesting that he not waive the need for a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) required per [Village Code 165-29](#). Stewart's has requested relief from the development of SWPPP requirements. Deputy Mayor Tobin seconds. All in favor. **(Passes 4-0)**

3. Send letter to the NYSDOT asking that they take a closer look at vehicles turning the wrong way up N. Front Street off N. Chestnut Street. Could improvements be made?

Ariana will draft the letter

Mayor Rogers moves to send a letter to the NYSDOT asking that they take a closer look at vehicles turning the wrong way up N. Front Street off N. Chestnut Street. Trustee Wojcik seconds. All in favor. **(Passes 4-0)**

4. Letter from the Village Board to Central Hudson, Verizon, and Spectrum asking them to provide financial assistance towards our playground build

Deputy Mayor Tobin moves to send a letter from the Village Board to Central Hudson, Verizon, and Spectrum asking them to provide financial assistance towards our playground build. Mayor Rogers seconds. All in favor. **(Passes 4-0)**

5. Borrow additional funds to help offset expenses for the Town Water Meters, Installations, and Engineer expenses until NYC DEP reimburses the Village. DEP reimbursements can take anywhere from 3-6 months or longer. This BAN is in addition to the loan we gave to the Capital fund to support this project and the Well drilling expenses.
  - a. [Environmental Compliance Resolution DEP Project](#)
  - b. [Resolution for DEP Project \\$400,000](#)

Mayor Rogers moves to adopt Resolution #62 of 2019: Environmental Compliance DEP Project and Resolution #63 of 2019: DEP Project \$400,000. Deputy Mayor Tobin seconds. All in favor. **(Passes 4-0)**

6. [Municipal Advisor Services Agreement with Munistat Services](#) - for assistance when the Village borrows money

Mayor Rogers moves to enter into the Municipal Advisor Services Agreement with Munistat Services. Trustee Wojcik seconds. All in favor. **(Passes 4-0)**

7. [Proposal from DT Consulting Services](#) - analysis to delineate the nature and extent of subsurface contamination behind the DPW garage from 1998's gasoline spill

Mayor Rogers moves to accept the proposal from DT Consulting Services with a price cap to be determined after the first day spent assessing the extent of the contamination. Deputy Mayor Tobin seconds. All in favor. **(Passes 4-0)**

8. [VoNP Social Media Policy](#)

Trustee Wojcik moves to replace the existing VoNP Social Media Policy and adopt the VoNP Social Media Policy. Deputy Mayor Tobin seconds. All in favor. **(Passes 4-0)**

9. Resolution #64 of 2019 Bills and Claims

Mayor Rogers moves to adopt Resolution #64 of 2019 Bills and Claims. Trustee Zipp seconds. All in favor. **(Passes 4-0)**

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## EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Rogers moves to go into executive session at 8:33 pm to discuss a lease agreement. Deputy Mayor Tobin seconds. All in favor. **(Passes 4-0)**

Mayor Rogers moves to come out of executive session at 8:42 pm. Trustee Wojcik seconds. All in favor. **(Passes 4-0)**

10. Whether to continue with the parking station at Plattekill Ave and take delivery on three other stations or terminate the lease
- a. Lease agreement - Fleetwood Finance Leasing, LLC , Payments made to K&S State Bank

Mayor Rogers moves to terminate the lease agreement with Fleetwood Finance Leasing, LLC. Trustee Wojcik seconds. All in favor. **(Passes 4-0)**

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## ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor Tobin moves to adjourn the regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees at 8:43 pm. Trustee Wojcik seconds. All in favor. **(Passes 4-0)**