

JOINT TOWN & VILLAGE OF NEW PALTZ

Regular Joint Meeting of Wednesday, June 14th, 2017 Village Hall -- 7:00 PM

MINUTES

Present: Mayor Tim Rogers (Village), Deputy Mayor KT Tobin (Village), Trustee William Wheeler Murray (Village), Trustee Dennis Young (Village), Trustee Don Kerr (Village), Supervisor Neil Bettez (Town), Deputy Supervisor Dan Torres (Town), Councilmember Marty Irwin (Town)

Not Present: Councilmember Julie Seyfert-Lillis (Town), Councilmember Jeff Logan (Town)

Also Present: several members of the public; Alex Wojcik, Deputy Clerk

Call to Order -- Mayor Rogers called the Village part of the June 14th 2017 Joint meeting of the Town and Village Boards to order at 7:00 pm. Deputy Supervisor Torres called the Town part of the June 14th 2017 Joint meeting of the Town and Village Boards to order at 7:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Administrative Business

- **Approval of the Agenda** -- Added: NYRising Update. Mayor Rogers motioned to accept the agenda as amended; Trustee Young seconded; all at the table voted Aye (8-0)
- Announcements -- Assemblymember Kevin Cahill became a cosponsor of the SUNY Impact Aid Bill!

Public Comment

- --Myra French, Parking Enforcement Officer, spoke about ways to improve parking & signage, in the Plattekill Municipal Lot in particular. The Village Board wishes to collaborate with Ms. French soon!
- --Roddy Sterna spoke about concerns with some proposed setbacks, sidewalk widths, and similar matters within the NBR zone, stating that the NBR ad hoc committee's recommendations might not fulfil the NBR zone's high-density expectations.
- --Toni Hokanson, Town Recreation Committee, urged both boards to look at 2011 Comprehensive Master Plan moving forward. She also noted that soccer fields are in high demand. Note: the Town Recreation Committee is a town-wide committee, not just "Town Outside Village," so there's room for all to get involved.

Business Agenda

1. New Paltz Community Energy (NPCE) Shared Solar + Microgrid Project: Cooperation Agreement -- Mayor Rogers and Councilmember Irwin introduced the topic. Michael Burr, MicroGrid Institute, joined the table via phone. Trustee Murray and Councilmember Irwin have taken the lead on the topic. Mayor Rogers motioned to send the agreement to the Village Attorney for review; Trustee Young seconded; all voted Aye (Passed 5-0). Deputy Supervisor Torres motioned to send the agreement to the Town Attorney; Councilmember Irwin seconded; all voted

- Aye (Passed 3-0). Both boards discussed briefly; Mr. Burr provided some background information regarding the overall process including the RFP (Request for Proposals), as well as the Cooperation Agreement under consideration. Deputy Mayor Tobin requested the MicroGrid elevator speech, and asked the cost to taxpayers (it is zero). Mr. Burr directed the boards to www.NewPaltzEnergy.org
- 2. **Town and Village wide recreation planning** -- Topic was addressed in Public Comment; a holistic approach is the goal

3. Moriello Pool:

- a. Intermunicipal Agreement (IMA) discussion -- Mayor Rogers & Supervisor Bettez introduced the topic, stating that the IMA is a requirement of both communities getting SAM grant money. The IMA under consideration expired at the end of 1999. Both boards will refer to Attorneys for review, and Moriello, and check back in at a later date.
- b. **Update on Opening Date** -- Weather permitting, July 1st should be opening day for the pool!
- 4. **Resolution:** Urging NYS Legislature to Adopt Single-Payer Healthcare -- Trustee Kerr motioned to adopt Village Resolution # 50 of 2017; Trustee Young seconded; all Village Trustees voted Aye (Passed 5-0). Deputy Supervisor Torres motioned to adopt the matching Single-Payer Healthcare resolution for the Town; Councilmember Irwin seconded; all Town Councilmembers voted Aye (Passed 3-0)
- 5. New York State Energy Research & Development Authority (NYSERDA) Clean Energy Communities Program
 - a. Village Resolution #51 of 2017 authorizing Mayor to execute all required documents in connection with CEC program -- Mayor Rogers motioned to adopt the resolution for the Village; Trustee Kerr seconded; all Village Trustees voted Aye (Passed 5-0)
 - b. Town Resolution authorizing Supervisor to execute all required documents in connection with CEC program -- to be discussed at the next Town Board meeting (6/15/2017)
- 2. **Tiny houses event discussion** -- Trustee Murray provided some background information on the Tiny Houses event that is expecting to bring 30,000 people to town the final weekend of the month; all hands are on deck. The Town is hosting the fireworks on Friday, June 30th. Note: the Fairgrounds are under County jurisdiction.
- 3. **NYRising Project Update** -- Mayor Rogers provided some background on the project, as well as updates. **WWTP**: looking at pumps to improve resiliency during times of flooding at the WWTP. **Fire Station:** approaching the design phase, stay tuned!

Adjournment -- Mayor Rogers motioned to adjourn the Village part of the June 14 2017 Joint meeting at 8:20 pm; Trustee Wheeler-Murray seconded; all voted Aye. Councilmember Irwin motioned to adjourn the Town part of the June 14 2017 Joint meeting at 8:20 pm; Deputy Supervisor Torres seconded; all voted Aye. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Alex Wojcik, Deputy Clerk