

Joint Town & Village Meeting
January 21, 2016
7:30 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Neil Bettez, Councilman Dan Torres, Councilwoman Julie Seyfert-Lillis, Councilman Jeff Logan, Councilman Marty Irwin.

Present: Mayor Tim Rogers, Trustee Dennis Young, Trustee Don Kerr.

Absent: Trustee Tom Rocco, Trustee Rebecca Rotzler.

At 7:42 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to open the meeting with the pledge. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 7:42 p.m. a motion was made by Trustee Kerr to open the meeting with the pledge. Seconded by Mayor Rogers, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Agenda: +Municipal Garbage District.

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

Update from Comprehensive Master Plan Committee:

Fran Wishnick, Chair, indicated that their meetings so far have been very introductory. The goal for the committee is to help develop a plan for both the Town and Village. A community needs a guide/blueprint to make sure that its land use laws, public improvement plans and public facilities all work together. The committee plans to develop an RFP to hire a consultant, conduct interviews and eventually recommend a consultant to work with the committee to develop the Plan. Ulster County Director of Planning Dennis Doyle will be at the next meeting on February 2nd. The committee developed a series of questions to ask him.

Moriello Water Loop Discussion:

Councilman Logan explained that there are issues with the water pressure and water volume along the S. Putt Corners area, as a result of aging infrastructure. The land owned by Mike Moriello had previously been held by the Wilmorite Company, but has now become available. By obtaining an easement, and creating the water loop on Mr. Moriello's property, it would allow the Town to connect to the water main coming off of the water tower in the Cherry Hill area, and bring the water down to S. Putt Corners. This would solve the current issues. The Town is asking for permission from the Village for the interconnection of the water main on Cherry Hill. Mayor Rogers indicated that this would require a formal agreement between the Town and Village. He has been in contact with the Village attorney, who will begin negotiations with the Town attorney on an agreement to review at a later date.

Discussion of merger of Town EnCB and Village EPC:

Mayor Rogers explained that this is a concept where currently there is an Environmental Conservation Board with Town members, and an Environmental Policy Board, which is part of the Village government. The Town's EnCB has a very narrow mandate, where their focus is to look at projects and land use applications before the Town Planning Board. The Village EPC had anticipated doing more of that type of work before the Village Planning Board. Mayor Rogers feels that it could be more useful to have a single board across the Town and Village tasked with that narrow mandate of looking at land use applications before the Town or Village Planning Board. He also thinks it would be helpful to have a broader mandate board similar to what it used by the Village, that can be used throughout the community. Upon further discussion, the Boards decided to include the members of both environmental boards in the discussion for their input, and discuss at a later date.

Discussion of Fire Department use of office space at Town Court building:

Mayor Rogers indicated that the Fire Department is interested in accessing two office spaces, formerly police offices. They will be used for storage and office space by the Chief and a member of the Fire Company, only. Highway Supt. Chris Marx indicated that he would have no problem having his Buildings & Grounds department continue cleaning the rooms. The Supervisor and Mayor will speak to the Police Chief and Court Clerks to determine if any security concerns need to be addressed, and report back to the Boards.

Tree City Designation/Arbor Day Grant:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to pay up to \$25 to renew the Tree City USA Application. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

A motion was made by Mayor Rogers for the Village to move forward with completing the Tree City USA Application. Seconded by Trustee Kerr, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Joint proposal for tree inventory grant:

A motion was made by Mayor Rogers that the Village is supportive of the Village Shade Tree Commission to pursue the DEC grant opportunity. Seconded by Trustee Kerr, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor to adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Town of New Paltz Environmental Conservation Board is applying to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation for a project grant under the Urban and Community Forestry Program to be located in the Town of New Paltz, a site located within the territorial jurisdiction of this Board; and

WHEREAS, as requirement of these programs, said Environmental Conservation Board must obtain the "approval/endorsement of the governing body of the municipality in which the project will be located",

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the New Paltz Town Board hereby does approve and endorse the application of the Environmental Conservation Board for a grant under the Urban and Community Forest Program for a project known as the New Paltz Tree Inventory and located within this community.

Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Moriello Pool playground:

Supervisor Bettez indicated that several people asked that the playground at Moriello Pool be open to the public when the pool is not open. Councilman Logan indicated that this issue has come up before and the Pool Director Bill Russell should be included in the discussion. There is a maintenance issue with the playground, and there was a high rate of vandalism to the park and pool when this was tried in the past. Highway Supt. Marx indicated that someone would have to lock the gate when it gets dark and Union issues would prevent him from being the person that does it. He also indicated that the slope near the bigger gate is not handicap accessible, and would need to be re-worked to make it a hard surface. Trustee Young suggested looking into the insurance costs for keeping it open year round. Supt. Marx suggested looking into getting the playground certified.

Municipal Garbage District:

Trustee Young will forward more information to the Boards for discussion at a later date.

Public Information Session-Proposed Municipal Center:

The Boards discussed setting the date for the next info session for February 24th, 6 p.m. at Village Hall. A motion was made by Councilman Torres for the Town to partake in the info session. Seconded by Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis. Councilman Irwin indicated that delaying the process will result in economic and financial impacts. All aye votes cast, motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Kerr to formally schedule the next information session on the proposed municipal center for February 24th, 6 p.m. at Village Hall. Seconded by Mayor Rogers, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Town Board Meeting

Agenda: + Duzine School, +Update on correspondence with Bob Freeman, -Parade Application. A motion was made by Councilman Logan to adopt the agenda as amended. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Acceptance of Minutes:

A motion was made by Councilman Irwin to accept the minutes of *January 12, 2016*. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Warrant:

A motion was made by Councilman Torres to approve the January Warrant in the amount of \$580,340.09. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Lent Drainage District:

A motion was made by Councilman Logan to adopt the following Resolution and Notice of Determination of Non Significance:

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of New Paltz has compared the proposed action as described in the Environmental Assessment Form Parts One and Two with the list of criteria set forth in 6 NYCRR 617.5 (the "Act") and determined that the proposed action is a Type II action and therefore the Town has no further responsibilities under the Act. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Winfield Drainage Easement:

A motion was made by Councilman Irwin to adopt the following Resolution accepting the Winfield Drainage Easement in the Lent Drainage District:

WHEREAS, in 2004 there was established by order of the Town Board of the Town of New Paltz "Drainage District # 4 of the Town of New Paltz" consisting of numerous lots within the "Lent Subdivision;" and

WHEREAS, consistent with the formation of said drainage district, the town has heretofore accepted numerous drainage easements within the boundaries of the district as such easements are shown on the filed map of the subdivision which forms the boundaries of the aforesaid drainage district; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the filing of the aforesaid subdivision map and the acquisition of the aforesaid drainage easements, there has been constructed upon a corner of that certain lot designated upon the aforesaid subdivision map "Lot "16" a drainage facility commonly referred to as a "catch basin," which said catch basin is necessary and appurtenant to the proper functioning of those areas of the drainage district to which such catch basin is connected; and

WHEREAS, as the result of the foregoing, the area of the aforesaid catch basin was not included in the original inventory of drainage easements and facilities shown on the aforesaid subdivision map; and

WHEREAS, the area and improvements of the aforesaid catch basin are in integral part of the town's aforesaid drainage district such that it is necessary and proper to accept a drainage easement from the owner of the lot upon which such catch basin is located and to make such easement and catch basin part of the drainage district within which the lot in question is located; and

WHEREAS, the owner of the lot upon which the catch basin is located has offered to the town a drainage easement in the form attached;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of New Paltz hereby authorizes the Supervisor of the Town, or the Deputy Supervisor, as the case may be, to sign a in the form attached, and to sign such other and further documents as are necessary to give full force and effect to the purposes and intents of this resolution.

Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

PrePay:

A motion was made by Councilman Torres to approve the prepayment of \$636.12 for the Symantec Endpoint Protection License for 38 computers through Alter Enterprise, for a one year renewal. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Authorized Monthly Purchase Orders:

A motion was made by Councilman Logan to change the purchase orders from Kevin Barry to Rob Zaccheo for \$3,750.00; ModSpace for \$3,460.00 to come from budget line AAA522-1620.410 instead of 1620.400, and add A1Web Presence Provider for \$1.50 from line DBB522-5130.400 for an email address for the mechanic. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Resolution- Water Loop Easement:

A motion was made by Councilman Logan to approve funds for the attorneys to discuss the terms of an agreement for an easement with the representatives of JAM & Associates for the Moriello lands on S. Putt Corners Road, the funds will be coming from \$100,000 provided by the developer of the Hampton Inn. Seconded by Supervisor Bettez, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilman Logan to authorize the Engineer to prepare bid specs to develop water connection on S. Putt Corners through the easement of the JAM and Moriello properties. Seconded by Supervisor Bettez, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Discussion of Supervisor's Salary:

A motion was made by Councilman Torres to move \$10,786 from line A 9060.98 into a stipend for the Supervisor. Seconded by Councilman Irwin. Aye votes cast by Councilman Torres, Councilman Irwin and Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis. Councilman Logan voted no, and Supervisor Bettez abstained. Motion carried.

Duzine School:

Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis indicated that the Principal would like permission from the Town for students to walk on Town land for nature walks in Millbrook Preserve. The Town Board will discuss this at a future meeting.

Update on Bob Freeman correspondence:

Councilman Torres read aloud an opinion from Bob Freeman regarding Open Meetings Law.

Discussion of LEPC Chair designation:

Councilman Logan indicated that Lt. Rob Lucchesi is willing to do it, and already has the NIMS Training. A motion was made by Councilman Logan to give the Supervisor the ability to write an agreement with Lt. Lucchesi as LEPC Chair. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 9:47 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Irwin to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rosanna Mazzaccari
Town Clerk