# Special Town Board Meeting November 13, 2014 7:30 p.m.

**Present**: Supervisor Susan Zimet, Councilman Dan Torres, Councilman Jeff Logan, Councilman Kevin Barry. **Absent**: Councilwoman Jean Gallucci.

At 7:36 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Torres to open the meeting with the pledge. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Agenda**: +Appointment to Board of Assessment Review +Disclosure Requirements A motion was made by Councilman Torres to adopt the agenda as amended. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

#### **Public Input:**

A reporter from the New Paltz Times inquired about a letter to the UCIDA regarding a feasibility Study. Supervisor Zimet indicated that a number of years ago, the Town had applied for a grant for a feasibility study for S. Putt Corners Road, however the paperwork was not submitted properly. When she returned to office in 2012, the Town resubmitted the paperwork. The project had a lot to do with sewer on a particular property that at first was deemed acceptable. However, the DEC has since informed the Town that it cannot use that property. The Town has been looking for other properties in order to be able to do the feasibility study. The property that the Town is currently looking at seems to be favored by the DEC. The Town will be sending a letter to the IDA within 3 weeks, with the update and information from DEC because now the Town can proceed to do the study. There is still work to be done in order to create the sewer system, but this could definitely be the solution to getting sewer to S. Putt.

## **Re-Appointment of Police Officer:**

A motion was made by Councilman Logan to authorize the Supervisor to sign the resignation and reinstatement forms or Civil Service for Officer Phil Missere. Seconded by Councilman Barry, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

### **Building Committee Request or Updated Space Needs:**

Supervisor Zimet explained that the committee has been meeting and has submitted a request to the Town Board for a proposal to hire Rick Alfandre to do an updated Space Needs Assessment. This will be discussed at an upcoming meeting.

## **Budget-Rescue Squad:**

Ted Reiss, President of the New Paltz Rescue Squad read aloud a statement regarding the budget and the Rescue Squad's finances. He requested negotiating with the Town for a multi-year contract with minimal increases so that for a finite amount of time both boards have knowledge of what the increases will be every year. The budget distributed to the Town Board has a deficit of \$212,000, which is associated with the cost of doing business, (not including the Town's annual contribution). The Rescue Squad is not asking the Town to make up the difference but rather they are asking for help in closing that gap.

Supervisor Zimet indicated that the Town's 2015 budget includes \$150,000 for the Rescue Squad, up from \$145,957 last year. Councilman Barry asked if they have requested more fuel from the College. NPRS Business Administrator Lauren Rooney indicated that they have a 3-year contract, which will expire in 2016 at which point they will go back and ask for more.

Supervisor Zimet indicated that the Board agreed to set aside \$25,000 from the Fund Balance and allocate it to the NPRS so the budget can be passed with the intent of then having further conversations to figure this out going forward.

Next week's special meeting with Comptroller Auerbach is changed to 5:30 p.m. with the adoption of the 2015 Budget to follow. Thursday's meeting is cancelled.

## **Update on Town Hall Move:**

Problems have arisen with the electricity. The plan was to close and move next week. We will find out tomorrow if we are still on track.

### **Standard Work Day Resolution:**

A motion was made by Councilman Torres to adopt the Standard Work Day resolution as presented for Councilman Jeff Logan, Judge Jon Katz and Judge Jim Bacon. Seconded by Councilman Barry, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

## **Appointment to the Board of Assessment Review (BAR):**

A motion was made by Councilman Logan to re-appoint Charlotte Carr as Chair of the Board of Assessment Review for a 5-year term to expire 9/19, such appointment will not take place without the completion of a Financial Disclosure and an Oath of Office. Seconded by Councilman Barry, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

### **Warrant:**

A motion was made by Councilman Barry to approve the payment of the November Warrant in the amount of \$469,239.18. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 9:25 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Barry to go into Executive Session for the purposes of update the Board on contract negotiations regarding the Teamsters. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 9:45 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Barry to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 9:45 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Barry to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rosanna Mazzaccari Town Clerk