

Town Board Workshop Meeting
April 17, 2014
7:30 p.m.

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

At 7:35 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Torres to open the meeting with the pledge. Seconded by Councilman Barry, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Agenda: +RUPCO Energy Liaison Appointment, +Court Officer Salary
A motion was made by Councilman Barry to adopt the agenda as amended. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Public Input:

Fran Wishnick spoke about the IDA's decision to grant Wilmorite a PILOT for Park Point. She feels strongly that the public's concerns should be heard.

Ira Margolis indicated that Union members from other counties are supporting the Park Point Project.

Supervisor Zimet and Councilman Logan indicated they were extremely offended by the comments made by the IDA's comments at the Public Hearing. Councilman Logan also indicated that New Paltz supports unions and organized labor.

Chris Ullrich presented a petition to the Board asking that "No Parking" signs be put up again because the end of Canaan Road has become a parking lot again.

Announcements:

Councilman Barry congratulated Councilman Logan on being appointed Deputy Supervisor.

Town Historian Appointments:

Councilman Torres indicated that recently the Historic Preservation Commission revised the definition of Town Historian to make it more specific.

Supervisor Zimet expressed gratitude to Al Marks for his dedication as the Town's Historian for many years.

A motion was made by Councilman Torres to appoint Susan Stessin-Cohn and Carol Johnson at the Town Historians. Seconded by Councilman Barry, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

EnCB Appointment:

A motion was made by Councilman Barry to appoint Joe Bergstein to fill a vacancy on the EnCB for a 2-year term to expire 12/15. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Bike Flats Consultant Contract:

The Town applied for and received the Greenway Grant for a Bike-Pedestrian trail over the flats. The subcommittee has been meeting and is recommending the hiring of a specific consultant under the guidelines of the grant.

A motion was made by Councilman Torres to authorize Supervisor Zimet to sign the contract with AKRF Consultants on behalf of the planning work that needs to be done for this trail.

Seconded by Councilwoman Gallucci for discussion. Eric Roth indicated that this project is for a feasibility study for alternate routes across the Flats with a preferred route. Two public meetings will be held for input from the community. All aye votes cast, motion carried.

RUPCO Energy Liaison Appointment:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Gallucci to authorize the Resolution in support of the RUPCO Green Jobs-Green New York Program.

WHEREAS, Rural Ulster Preservation Company (RUPCO) with the mission of creating homes, support people, and improve communities, is a constituency-based organization, making it easier for homeowners, renters, landlords, not-for-profits and small businesses to participate in energy efficiency programs offered by the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA), as lead CBO for the Mid-Hudson Region, have been awarded a contract by NYSERDA to build an effective residential energy efficiency program that uses the high quality standards of the state's Green Jobs Green New York program combined with activation of local trusted sources for word-of-mouth outreach,

WHEREAS, it is understood that the NYSERDA Green Jobs Green New York is a statewide program to promote energy efficiency and the installation of clean technologies to reduce energy costs and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The program will support sustainable community development and create opportunities for green jobs. This program will be administered by NYSERDA.

WHEREAS, the Green Jobs - Green New York (GJGNY) Program provides New Yorkers with access to energy audits, installation services, low-cost financing (currently for residential customers only), and pathways to training for various green-collar careers; and

WHEREAS, the GJGNY Program delivers services in targeted communities with the support of Constituency Based Organizations (CBOs). CBOs recruit residential, small businesses, Not-for-Profits (NFP), and multi-family building owners into the energy audit and financing programs; and encourage individuals to take advantage of clean energy training opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the Town of New Paltz NY (Ulster County) Board wishes to participate in the Green Jobs Green New York program to extend the benefits of residential energy efficiency to the residents, small businesses, not for profits, municipalities, and multi-family home owners throughout the Town of New Paltz NY (Ulster County); and

WHEREAS, the Green Jobs Green New York program solicits local community participation in order to maximize the outreach in driving demand for energy upgrades of homes; and

WHEREAS, the Green Jobs Green New York program provides a robust toolkit of resources, including staff and print and online materials, available to Consortium member municipalities who support and participate in the Green Jobs Green New York Program; and

WHEREAS, eligibility for participation is predicated upon the Consortium member municipality's adoption of the RUPCO Partnership Pact;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that Town of New Paltz NY (Ulster County) Board of Trustees hereby adopt the RUPCO Partnership Pact, which states as follows:

RUPCO and the Town of New Paltz NY (Ulster County) will work together to identify the key community resources, to wit, a Municipal Energize Liaison, Energize Champions, and Local Trusted Sources, to support the short and long term success of the RUPCO – Town of New Paltz NY (Ulster County) Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: The Town of New Paltz NY (Ulster County) Board of Trustee authorizes the Supervisor to appoint a Municipal Energize Liaison or Liaisons from among municipal staff or civic volunteers, with the understanding that the Liaison/s will serve as the chief point of contact between the RUPCO staff and the Town of New Paltz NY (Ulster County) and its residents and civic associations and groups interesting in promoting residential energy efficiency; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: The Liaison will work with the RUPCO GJGNY Out Reach staff to identify local Champions, who typically will be homeowners in the community who have already undergone a Home Performance energy assessment and implemented energy upgrade to achieve savings, and whose role will be to assist the Liaison in identifying local civic groups, both formal and informal, also known as Local Trusted Sources, whose members may be interested in learning about residential energy efficiency; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: The Liaison and local Champions will collaborate with the RUPCO staff in opening doors with civic groups for presentations about the Green Jobs Green New York Program information, and any other outreach methods that the Municipal Liaison, Champions, and Local Trusted Sources may find effective in tailoring the Green Jobs Green New York Program to this municipality.

Seconded by Councilman Barry, all aye votes cast, motion carried. Councilwoman Gallucci nominated Councilman Torres for the position of Municipal Energy Liaison. Supervisor Zimet appointed Councilman Torres as the Municipal Energy Liaison.

Signs on Butterville, Wood Lot, White Oaks and Cragwood Roads:

Supervisor Zimet received a request from a resident that "No Parking" signs be put up in these neighborhoods.

Highway Superintendent Marx indicated that more cars have been parking on the Butterville Bridge and Lenape Lane. There is a potential for accidents. People park to go hiking and picnicking. Designated parking areas would help. This is a major concern because Emergency Services could have problems accessing the area. In order for the signs to go up, the Town would have to pass a local law. Based on calculations from Superintendent Marx, it will cost around \$7,666.00 just in materials for signs, which are to be posted every 200 ft. This does not include the cost to pass the law.

Supervisor Zimet suggested coordinating a meeting with the neighbors to discuss the situation and make recommendations to the Town Board.

Chief Joe Snyder indicated that the Town cannot put up signs for any specific road without a local law. Signs posted upon entering the Town must apply to all the roads, not just one or a few. The Town Board will meet on April 29th at 7:30 p.m., all the residents of Buttersville, Wood Lot, White Oaks, Cragwood and Canaan are invited.

Status of Superintendent Position:

For almost 2 years, the Highway Superintendent has taken over Buildings & Grounds and Water & Sewer. If for any reason Chris Marx leaves or is not reelected, the new person would not be required to oversee B&G and Water & Sewer. The Town would have to reconstitute the position of Superintendent for these departments. The Town Board could put up for referendum the position of Municipal Works Supervisor, which would be an appointed position. The Town Board will do more research.

Wilmorite:

The Town Planning Board indicated that it would not approve the Park Point Project if the IDA approves the PILOT. The IDA has since approved the PILOT. Supervisor Zimet has FOILED the County for records on behalf of the Town Board.

Court Clerk Hire:

A motion was made by Councilman Barry to hire Kelly Betters as a Court Clerk at an hourly rate of \$13.50 for 40/hrs per week. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Moriello Pool Hires:

A motion was made by Councilman Barry to approve the following Moriello Pool hires at the rates submitted in the budget.

Moriello Pool 2014	Position	Pay Rate	Rehire or New
Thomas Plitsch	Asst. Rec Specialist	8,510.00	Rehire
Adams, Ben	Lifeguard (4)	10.9	Rehire
Adams, Luke	Lifeguard (4)	10.9	Rehire
Berger, Quin	Lifeguard (3) WSI	12.1	Rehire
Carubia, Dayna	Lifeguard (4)	10.9	Rehire
Fogarty, Aodhan	Lifeguard (4) WSI	12.3	Rehire
Fullam, John	Lifeguard (3)	10.7	Rehire
Hart, Jacqueline	Attend (2) CPR	8.7	Rehire
Hekking, Austin	Lifeguard (4) WSI	12.3	Rehire
Knapp, Katherine	Lifeguard (1) WSI	11.5	New
Prestia, Nicolette	Lifeguard (3) WSI	12.1	Rehire
Rifkind, Mitchell	Lifeguard (3) WSI	12.1	Rehire
Russell, Alexa	Lifeguard (3) WSI	12.1	Rehire
Schwartz, Tal	Lifeguard (3) WSI	12.1	Rehire
Takacs, Lindsey	Attend (2) CPR	8.7	Rehire
Welch, Katelyn	Attend/Lifeguard (3)	10.7	Rehire
SUBS: LIFEGUARDS & ATTENDANTS			
Bauer Gluckan, Marygrace	Attend (1) CPR	8.5	Rehire
Hekking, Alexandra	Attend/Lifeguard (1)	10.1	New
Migliorato, Shawn	Lifeguard (1)	10.1	New
Mitchell, Charlene	Lifeguard (2)	10.4	Rehire
O'Connor, James	Lifeguard (2)	10.4	Rehire
O'Donnell, John	Attend/Lifeguard (1)	10.1	Rehire
O'Donnell, John	Lifeguard (2)	10.4	Rehire
Richards, Brenn	Lifeguard (2)	10.4	Rehire
Sarvis, Chase	Lifeguard (3)	10.7	Rehire

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

Court Officer Salary:

A motion was made by Councilman Barry to raise the hourly rate of the Court Officers to \$18/hr and revisit this during budget time. Seconded by Councilman Logan. A friendly amendment was offered by Councilwoman Gallucci to approve the differential out of the Contingency line to the Justices Personal Services line. Accepted by Councilmen Barry and Logan. All aye votes cast, motion carried.

Disposal of Police Car Old Video Equipment:

A motion was made by Councilman Logan to authorize the breakdown and recycling of old video equipment and remove it from inventory. Seconded by Councilman Barry, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Two Old Police Cars-Auction:

A motion was made by Councilman Barry to authorize 1 car from B&G and 2 from the Police Department, to go out to bid, to be removed from inventory and 1 other PD car staying in Town inventory for B&G. Seconded by Councilwoman Gallucci, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Highway Bids:

Highway Superintendent Chris Marx recommended that the Town Board accept the bid for the Skid Steer (Compact Track Loader) from A. Montano in the amount of \$41,843.87, it met all the bid specs. He also recommended the Town Board accept the bid for the Tilt Trailer from Admar in the amount of \$15,800. A motion was made by Councilwoman Gallucci to accept both bids as recommended. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Budget Transfers:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Gallucci to authorize the Bookkeeper to make the following transfers for the Choice Strategies billing:

DA-630.0 – DUE TO A FUND.....\$1,330.38
DB-630.0 – DUE TO A FUND.....\$4,685.31
A-391.0 – DUE FROM DA.....\$1,330.38
A-391.0 – DUE FROM DB.....\$4,685.31

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

A motion was made by Councilman Barry to authorize the Bookkeeper’s membership to the NYS GFOA at a current rate of \$165 annually and to attend the Spring Seminar on May 29th at a cost of \$75. Seconded by Supervisor Zimet, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Warrant:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Gallucci to approve the April warrant in the amount of \$428,071.70, and that the voucher #14-00894 for \$120 for Emergency Preparedness Training will be split between the Supervisor’s Line and the Emergency Preparedness Line. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 9:49 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Logan to go into Executive Session for the purposes of discussing Police Contract negotiations and Open Space Acquisitions. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 11:50 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Barry to come out of Executive Session with no action taken. Seconded by Councilwoman Gallucci, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 11:52 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Logan to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rosanna Mazzaccari
Town Clerk