

**Public Hearing-Van Tassell/Cusanno Annexation, 7:15 p.m.  
Town Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m.  
April 21, 2016**

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

At 7:15 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Torres to open the Public Hearing on the Petition for Annexation by Dean Van Tassell at 152 Route 32 North.

**Public Comment:**

Josh Honig asked if the Town has received a proposal or plans for the project at the proposed annexation property. Councilman Torres indicated that the Town has received conceptual drawings. Mr. Honig also asked if an analysis of benefits to Town Tax Payers was ever done on this project to determine how it will affect them.

Josephine Bloodgood, Miriam Strauss, MaryJo Johnson, Craig Shankles and Ann Fowler commented on the proposed annexation and requested that the Town Board hold off on making any decisions on this.

The Town Board agreed to continue the Public Hearing on April 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 p.m.

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

**Agenda:** A motion was made by Councilman Torres to adopt the agenda as presented. Seconded by Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Appointments:**

A motion was made by Councilman Torres to appoint Mark Eis to the Bike-Pedestrian Committee for a 4-year term to expire 12/31/2019; and Kevin Kelly and Ken Wishnick to the Public Access Committee. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Reimbursement for Drainage Easement Costs:**

Tabled. Councilman Torres was concerned with setting a precedent. He would like to seek the Attorney's advice before proceeding.

**Public Comment:**

Josh Honig commented on the possibility of a single attorney representing both the Town and Village Planning Boards.

Karl Conboy, Dean Trigoris, Andrew Mironchik and John Wenig, members of VFW Post 8645 in New Paltz, and Ira Margolis commented on the issue regarding the reciting of the pledge at meetings.

Peter Kaufman, Katherine Stewart, Susan DeMark, Maryann Losee, Kevin Borden, Joel Oppenheimer, Don Kerr, and Donna Bruschi requested the Town Board adopt a temporary moratorium and overlay district on the Gateway Corridor.

**Discussion of Building Moratorium:**

Susan Blickstein, Town resident and Planner, discussed the process and purpose behind moratoria and how they impact the planning process.

A motion was made by Councilman Torres to create a subcommittee to further explore a moratorium for the Gateway District and to make a recommendation to the Town Board. The subcommittee will consist of a member of the Historic Preservation Commission, the Planning Board, the Bike-Ped Committee, the Environmental Conservation Board, Susan Blickstein as the Chair, and Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis as the Town Board Liaison. Seconded by Supervisor Bettez, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Acceptance of Minutes:**

A motion was made by Councilman Torres to accept the minutes of ***April 14, 2016***. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Conference Approval:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve his attendance at the Introduction to Government Accounting Seminar on June 7-9, 2016. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Budget Modifications:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve the following Budget Modifications:

Request authorization to modify the adopted 2015 budget for cost overruns as follows:

**A Fund**

To: A960 Appropriations			From: A960 Appropriations		
A1930.400	Judgements & Claims	362.00	A3120.400	Police-C.E.	1,632.00
A3120.140	Police-Buyout	2,450.00	A7150.430	Recreation-Moriello Pool	200.00
A3122.225	Reim Grant-Child Safety	1,128.00	A7150.460	Recreation-NP Sports Park	121.00
A8189.420	Recycle-Bank CC Fees	<u>924.00</u>	A7310.400	Youth-C.E.	250.00
		4,864.00	A7510.400	Historian-C.E.	817.00
			A8189.100	Recycle-P.S.	325.00
			A8189.200	Recycle-Equip	282.00
			A8189.400	Recycle-C.E.	452.00
			A9010.800	State Retirement	<u>785.00</u>
					4,864.00

Requested authorization to increase the adopted 2015 budget for grant revenue received for child safety seat patrol.

A510 Estimated Revenue	6,094.00	
A3575 Police State Grants	6,094.00	
	A960 Appropriations	6,094.00
	A3122.225 Reimbursable Grant-Child Safety	6,094.00

Request authorization to modify the adopted 2015 budget for cost overruns as follows:

**B Fund**

To: B960 Appropriations			From: B960 Appropriations		
B1345.430	Purchasing Build Insp	417.00	B3620.400	Building Inspector-C.E.	417.00

Request authorization to increase the adopted 2015 budget for return of unspent prior year SFD funds from the village.

SFD Fund		
SFD Estimated Revenue	22,916.47	
SFD 2701 Refund of Prior Year Exp	22,916.47	
	SFD Appropriations	22,916.47
	SFD 3410.400 Fire Protection Dist-C.E.	22,916.47

Request authorization to set up budget in capital account for the demolition of old town hall project.

H07510 Estimated Revenue	421,083.41	
H072410 Lease of Property	421,083.41	
	H07960 Appropriations	421,083.41
	H071420.400 Attorney	10,000.00
	H071440.400 Engineer	60,000.00
	H071620.400 Building-C.E	351,083.41

Request the Town Board **rescind** the following previously approved budget modification. (4/14/16)

SSA909	Unreserved Fund Balance	35,608.00	
	SSA960 Appropriations		35,608.00
	SSA8130.400 Sewage Treatment & Disp-C.E.		35,608.00

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

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve the following modification to 2015 budget:

Increase: A980-3582-000	State Aid-Livescan Equip Grant	\$10,000.00
Increase: A522-3122-297	Police Live Scan Grant	\$10,000.00

Reason: For the reallocation of the LiveScan Grant award to the expense account line.

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

**Purchase Orders:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to make the following changes to purchase orders:

Request to **remove quarterly:**

Village of New Paltz                      \$20.00                      AAA-522-1620-400  
For discontinued water service at the old Town Hall.

Request to **remove monthly:**

True Value                      \$150.00                      AAA-522-7150-460  
Request from Recreation Director.

Request to **add monthly:**

Office of the State Comptroller \$40,000.00                      AAA-631-0000-000  
Village of New Paltz                      \$100.00                      AAA-631-0000-000  
For Justice Court fines & forfeitures Due to other Governments.

Kansas Bank                      \$5,760.65                      AAA-522-9789-640  
For monthly Installment Agreement payments for the tub grinder.

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

**PrePays:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve the prepayment of \$50.00 to the Public Employment Relations Board (PERB) for grievances filed by Highway/Buildings & Grounds/Recycling division of UPSEU. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Verizon Wireless:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to make changes to the Town's Verizon plan as per the recommendations set forth by Comptroller Jean Gallucci. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Warrant:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve the April Warrant in the amount of \$831,689.50. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Resolution and Orders-Water District No. 1, 2 and 3:**

A motion was made by Councilman Irwin to adopt the Resolution and Orders for the Increase and Improvement of Facilities of Water District No. 1, 2 and 3 of the Town of New Paltz, Ulster County, New York, pursuant to Article 12-A of the Town Law. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

**Approval of hiring for Buildings & Grounds:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve the hiring of Ryan Masterson as a part-time seasonal employee for Buildings & Grounds at the contract rate of \$17.51/hr. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 9:13 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Torres to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rosanna Mazzaccari  
Town Clerk