

**Special Town Board Meeting
July 14, 2016
7:30 p.m.**

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

At 7:32 p.m. Supervisor Bettez opened the meeting with the pledge.

Agenda: +Update on Aqueduct shutdown, +Update on Mill Brook Preserve Conservation Easement, +Food Truck at Field of Dreams.

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

Executive Session:

At 7:34 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to go into executive session for the purposes of discussing contract negotiations with the UCRRA. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried. A motion was made by Councilman Logan to invite Attorney Joe Moriello into executive session. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 7:52 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Logan to come out of executive session. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to authorize the Supervisor to begin negotiations on the contract with the UCRRA. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Public Comment:

Ingrid Beer, Plains Road, asked if SEQRA will be done on the Plessner property and has an environmental study begun?

Gail Freedman, Plains Road, indicated that the engineer's office sent letters to residents regarding access to their properties. She sent her response back with alterations, tried to make contact with the engineer's office, but has not heard back.

Chris Hard, Plains Road, indicated that he would like the pipe put in the middle of the road to protect the trees, otherwise it will affect his business.

Bond Resolution-\$1,800,000 for the Acquisition of Land:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to adopt the Bond Resolution authorizing the issuance of up to \$1,800,000 aggregate principal amount serial bonds of the Town of New Paltz, County of Ulster, State of New York, pursuant to the local finance law, to finance the acquisition of land for an alternate Town and Village Water Supply System in Water District No. 5. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Bond Resolution-\$2,375,000 for Design and Construction:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to adopt the Bond Resolution authorizing the issuance of up to \$2,375,000 aggregate principal amount serial bonds of the Town of New Paltz, County of Ulster, State of New York, pursuant to the local finance law, to finance the design and construction of an alternate Town and Village Water Supply System in Water District No. 5. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Engagement Letter #1-Special Counsel to Town Board-SEQRA and Land Acquisition:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve the engagement letter with Rodenhausen Chale LLP as special counsel to the Town Board for SEQRA and Land Acquisition for the Backup Water Supply. Seconded by Councilman Torres. A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez offering a friendly amendment to include that he is authorized to sign the engagement letter. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Engagement Letter #2-Alternate Counsel to the Zoning Board of Appeals:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to authorize the Supervisor to sign the letter of engagement with Rodenhausen Chale LLP for alternate counsel to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Engagement Letter #3-Ingrid Beer, et al v. Town of New Paltz, et al.:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to authorize the Supervisor to sign the letter of engagement with Rodenhausen Chale LLP for representation in Ingrid Beer, et al v. Town of New Paltz, et al. Ulster Supreme Court #16-1690. Seconded by Councilman Torres. A motion was made by Councilman Logan offering a friendly amendment to include the services of Dave Clouser and Barton & Loguidice. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Amendment to Engagement Letter #1:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to amend the original motion for letter #1 to allow George Rodenhausen and his firm to work with Dave Clouser and other Town consultants. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Water Meters:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to authorize Chris Marx to purchase a 1-1/2" meter and head to replace a non-working meter at the Meadowbrook Complex and a new 170 head for the Medical Center in Water District #1, and bill back to the users of Water District #1. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Update on Mill Brook Preserve Conservation Easement:

Councilman Irwin indicated that the subdivision is not being pursued by the Village. There will only be drilling done only near Bonticou and Cooper for water. The Wallkill Valley Land Trust is working on a final draft of the easement.

Update on Aqueduct Shutdown:

Councilman Logan indicated that the shutdown in 2017 has been changed to 10-14 days. The shutdowns in 2018 and 2019 will remain the same at 10 weeks. About 93% of the residents in Water District #5 have responded to the access letter, indicating they want to be in the district. Councilman Logan made some corrections to articles posted in the newspaper. It was reported that the 87 Motel site does not have water, which is incorrect. The motel site, the Mobil Station, the Genesis Diner site, and the Thruway buildings all have water and are included in a water district. However, the water to the motel and diner are currently shut off. He also indicated there is also the possibility of sewer connections out there.

Food Truck at Field of Dreams:

Supervisor Bettez indicated that the Health Department does not want generators used. He would like to figure out how much electricity the truck uses and determine an appropriate fee so the vendor can leave the truck there overnight. Councilman Logan indicated that the Town needs the insurance certificates and Health Department permits. He does not want this to cost the Town money because the vendor should be able to cover her own costs.

Resolution-Extend deadline for Land Acquisition:

A motion was made by Councilman Logan to authorize Attorney Joe Moriello to request an extension for the option to purchase the Roehrs property for an additional 60 following its original expiration. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 8:40 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