

Town Board Meeting
August 25, 2016
7:30 p.m.

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

At 7:32 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.

Agenda: +RFQ for Valuation of Lands.
A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to adopt the agenda as amended. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Public Comment:
Mary Ann Loschi, Aiden Koehler, Kitty Brown and Richard Webb spoke in favor of a temporary moratorium.

Acceptance of Minutes:
A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to accept the *Police Commission minutes of August 18, 2016, and the Town Board Minutes of August 18, 2016*. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

RFP for Demolition and Remediation of old Town Hall:
A motion was made by Councilman Irwin to authorize putting out to bid an RFP for each, remediation and demolition of the old Town Hall. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Food Recovery Proposal:
Recycling Coordinator Laura Petit and Michael Berg, Director of Family of Woodstock proposed the building of a cooling building at the transfer station to help collect and distribute local foods to families in need. The building would be constructed through a \$25,000 grant from the Local Economies Project.
A motion was made by Councilman Logan to authorize the Town Supervisor to work with Laura Petit and Joe Moriello to work on a contract for the exploration of a cooling building at the Re-Use Center. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Executive Session:
At 8:06 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to go into executive session for the purposes of interviewing an applicant for CWOSP, and to discuss the possible purchase of real property. Seconded by Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis, all aye votes cast, motion carried.
At 8:30 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to come out of executive session. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

RFQ Valuation of Real Property:
A motion was made by Councilman Logan to send out a Request for a Quote for proposals on the appraisal of real property. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Appointment-CWOSP:
A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to appoint Andrew Titus to the Clean Water Open Space Protection Commission for a 5-year term to expire December 31, 2020. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Standard Workday Resolution:
A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve the following Standard Workday Resolution. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.



Office of the New York State Comptroller
New York State and Local Retirement System
Employees' Retirement System
Police and Fire Retirement System
110 State Street, Albany, New York 12244-0001

Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution
for Elected and Appointed Officials

RS 2417-A
(Rev. 8/15)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of New Paltz / 30581 hereby establishes the following standard work days for these titles and

(Name of Employer) (Location Code)
will report the officials to the New York State and Local Retirement System based on their record of activities:

Title	Standard Work Day (Hrs/day) Min. 6 hrs Max. 8 hrs	Name (First and Last)	Social Security Number (Last 4 digits)	Registration Number	Tier 1 (Check only if member is in Tier 1)	Current Term Begin & End Dates (mm/dd/yy-mm/dd/yy)	Record of Activities Result*	Not Submitted (Check only if official did not submit their Record of Activities)
Elected Officials								
Town Supervisor	8	Neil Bettez		61317467	<input type="checkbox"/>	1/1/16-12/31/17	21.08	<input type="checkbox"/>
Highway Superintendent	8	Christopher Marx		38790515	<input type="checkbox"/>	1/1/16-12/31/17	21.66	<input type="checkbox"/>
Town Clerk	8	Rosanna Mazzaccari		41189028	<input type="checkbox"/>	1/1/16-12/31/19	23.125	<input type="checkbox"/>
Appointed Officials								
Youth Director	8	James Tinger		37945250	<input type="checkbox"/>	12/31/16	23.145	<input type="checkbox"/>

Elected Officials								
Town Justice	7	James Bacon	40326209	<input type="checkbox"/>	1/1/16-12/31/19	6.52	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Contract-Vendor at Field Of Dreams:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve the contract for Curbside Cuisine at the Field of Dreams. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Resignations:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to accept the resignation of Joe Bergstein from the Environmental Conservation Board, and to post the vacancy on the Town website. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to accept the resignation of Kelly O'Donnell as the Planning & Zoning Board Secretary. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to accept the resignation of Kelly O'Donnell from the Ethics Board. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Appointment-Ethics:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to appoint Karen Verney to the Ethics Board to fill the unexpired term left by Kelly O'Donnell that will expire 12/31/16. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Hiring of Planning & Zoning Secretary:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve the hiring of Patricia Atkins as the Secretary to Planning & Zoning, at a rate of \$15/hour, effective Monday, August 29, 2016. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Highway Truck Purchase:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve the purchase of a truck for the Highway Department from Romeo Chevy Buick GMC in the amount of \$40,947.50. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Use of personal credit card by Highway Superintendent:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to authorize Supt. Marx to use his personal credit card to purchase truck and lift parts, for reimbursement by the Town in an amount not to exceed \$200.00. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Stop & Shop Escrow:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to release any monies left in the Stop & Shop escrow, pending receipt of paperwork. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Parade Request:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve the parade request application from The Literate Earth Project. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Letter of Support:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to authorize the Supervisor to send a letter of support to the Mohonk Preserve for their application to the Hudson River Valley Greenway for the Foothills Interpretive Signage Project, on behalf of the Town Board. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye vote cast, motion carried.

Moriello Pool:

Supervisor Bettez indicated that the Town has received proposals for different options to fix the pool. The Town Board will review them and discuss at a later date.

Greater Community Partnership Update:

Supervisor Bettez indicated that the grant is coming to an end. The Program Officer was very impressed with the program's success.

Resolution-HV Greenway Grant:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to adopt the following resolution authorizing a collaborative application with the Village of New Paltz to Hudson River Valley Greenway for a Greenway Conservancy

Trails Grant for underwriting feasibility planning to achieve trail linkage between Mill Brook Preserve and northern community environments and to also perform analysis needed in order to advance construction of a multiuse path on the southwest edge of the Preserve.

WHEREAS, the New York State Hudson River Valley Greenway Conservancy (hereafter Greenway), in late July 2016, announced its current round of funding available within its Trail Grant Program, which includes categories for constructing trail segments or trail links; and completing feasibility studies, designs, and plans for trail segments and links, all of which further the goals of the Hudson River Greenway Trails Program, and which are the types of activities identified as needed in order to further the realization of comprehensive and high quality recreation trail enhancements in and by Mill Brook Preserve;

WHEREAS, the Village and Town are cooperating to conserve Mill Brook Preserve and carefully develop trails, as evidenced by the Village's 2015 commitment to purchasing 63+/- acres; and the Village's 2016 Consolidated Funding Application to New York State Office of Parks Recreation & Historic Preservation which requests funds to implement recreational amenities, including design and construction of two engineered multiuse trail bridges;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Mayor, and designees, are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver a Village-led 2016 Greenway Trails Grant Application for purposes of completing feasibility planning for trail linkage by the northern edges of Mill Brook Preserve as well as to perform necessary predevelopment analysis, such as wetland land and floodplain delineation and natural resource investigation(s) needed to advance construction of a planned multiuse path on the southwest edge of the Preserve, and if there is notification of success with this grant, to implement necessary contract documents, and administer such project in conjunction with New York State Hudson River Valley Greenway, or any other governmental agency, subject to review and approval by the Village Attorney.

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

A motion was made by Councilman Irwin to authorize the Supervisor to execute this document or any other document needed. Seconded by Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Resolution-Pilgrim Pipeline:

A motion was made by Councilman Torres to adopt the following resolution requesting the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation and NYS Thruway Authority assure opportunities for meaningful public and municipal participation in the scoping process for the state environmental quality review of the Pilgrim Pipeline Project.

WHEREAS, Pilgrim Pipeline Holdings, LLC, has proposed to construct two pipelines carrying crude oil and refined petroleum products between Albany, New York, and Linden, New Jersey, cutting through the Town of New Paltz and 30 other towns, cities, and villages in the Hudson Valley, Catskill region, and Capital area;

WHEREAS, the State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) process for this project is underway, and a decision may be made any day with regard to a Declaration of Significance and the Scoping Process;

WHEREAS, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Acting Deputy Commissioner and General Counsel Thomas Berkman stated in a letter regarding lead agency, dated December 21, 2015, that "there is the potential for significant adverse environmental impacts associated with the construction and operation" of the pipelines, "including, but not limited to, impacts to hundreds of acres of forest, regulated water bodies and wetlands;" and

WHEREAS, Deputy Commissioner Berkman further stated that the SEQR process for this proposed project "will be extensive and complex due to the myriad of issues likely to be raised, the number of involved State and local agencies, and the demonstrated public interest in the project;" and

WHEREAS, the construction and operation of pipelines poses significant risks not only to communities in the pipelines' pathway but also to the many communities along the rail line delivering oil to these pipelines, which could see a two- or three-fold increase in crude-by-rail traffic if pipelines operate at full capacity; and

WHEREAS, the very large number of affected communities demands a scoping process that can accommodate their effective participation to identify issues of local and regional concern;

WHEREAS, their participation will require time-consuming research by municipalities and the public to analyze the proposal and identify potential impacts on local land, water and air resources, cultural, historic, and community resources and economic development;

WHEREAS, broad public input in the SEQR process is vital, given the millions of people potentially impacted by this project;

WHEREAS, any local issue or concern related to the proposed Pilgrim pipelines will only be examined in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement if identified in the scoping process, making community participation in this step vital to a comprehensive review;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of New Paltz, as a potentially involved agency, requests the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) and the New York Thruway Authority, as Co-Lead Agencies, to provide a minimum 90-day public comment period following the release of a Draft Scoping Document; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Board requests that public information sessions and hearings be held in every county in the pipeline pathway, and at least one meeting along the crude-by-rail route that would serve the pipelines; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Co-Lead Agencies make an extraordinary effort to maximize public engagement regarding the scoping process, to make all the meetings and comment deadlines widely known, and to help the public understand the significance of their opportunity to participate in the scoping process; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to NYS DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos, N.Y. Thruway Authority Acting Executive Director Bill Finch, and Governor Andrew M. Cuomo.

Seconded by Supervisor Bettez, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

UCRRA Contract:

Supervisor Bettez indicated that the current contract will expire at the end of September. There have been negotiations for a new lease. A decision will have to be made by the first Board meeting in September. The Board discussed the consequences of not renewing the lease versus receiving the increased host benefit and rent.

Roberts Rules of Order:

Councilman Irwin feels as though the Town is obligated with providing the Board with a document that spells out what we are obligated to follow.

A motion was made by Councilman Irwin to rescind the present guidelines for the Town and adopt the 7-page summary that the Supervisor acquired. Seconded by Councilman Logan for discussion. Supervisor Bettez suggested circulating the summary to the whole Board for review.

A motion was made by Councilman Irwin amending his original motion to include tabling this discussion until the next meeting. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast. Councilman Torres voted no. Motion carried.

Restore NY Funding Application Proposal from Barton & Loguidice:

Supervisor Bettez indicated that the Town preliminarily applied for Restore NY Funding to assist us in taking down the old Town Hall, and possibly making the Town eligible for more funding if the new Town Hall was built as multiple use. A proposal to complete the application from Barton & Loguidice was submitted to the Town for a cost of \$6,000. If received, the Town would be eligible for up to \$500,000 to take down the old building. A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to accept the proposal from B&L for the completion of the funding application. Seconded by Councilman Irwin for discussion. A motion was made by Councilman Irwin to table this discussion. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Moratorium Discussion:

A letter was distributed to the Town Board by Mike Reid.

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to appropriate funds for George Rodenhausen to draw up the necessary documents for a moratorium from line B1420.4. Seconded by Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis. A motion was made by Councilman Torres to amend the agenda to include a vote on a moratorium. Seconded by Supervisor Bettez for discussion. Councilman Irwin and Logan indicated they were not prepared to take a vote on this.

At 9:43 p.m. Councilman Logan left the meeting.

The following votes were cast on amending the agenda: 3 aye votes, 1 nay vote by Councilman Irwin, 1 absent (Logan). Motion carried.

The Board engaged in discussion and the following votes were cast on the motion to appropriate funds: 3 aye votes, 1 nay vote by Councilman Irwin, 1 absent (Logan). Motion carried.

Mill Brook Preserve:

Councilman Irwin indicated that all open issues have been resolved.

At 9:57 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rosanna Mazzaccari
Town Clerk