

**Town Board Meeting
September 22, 2016
7:30 p.m.**

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

At 7:30 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.
At 7:31 p.m. Councilman Logan arrived.

Agenda: +Discussion on filming at the old Town Hall, + Executive Session, +Announcements, -Historian Discussion. A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to adopt the agenda as amended. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, Councilman Logan abstained. Motion carried.

Public Input:

David Porter, Bob Hughes, Kitty Brown, Trina Greene and Joel Oppenheimer all spoke in favor of the proposed moratorium.
Donna Liebman and Tammy Friedman spoke in reference to Water District #5.

Acceptance of Minutes:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to accept the ***Police Commission and Town Board minutes of September 15, 2016.*** Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Discussion- Proposed Moratorium Local Law:

Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis indicated that the map is missing because the Town Board has to make a decision about the exact area of the proposed moratorium. The committee's recommendation was to start at Shop Rite and end at N. Ohioville Road. The Board discussed issues such as possible litigation and costs associated with the budget.

A motion was made by Councilman Torres to schedule the public hearing on the proposed moratorium local law for October 20th at 7:15 p.m. Seconded by Supervisor Bettez, all aye votes cast, Councilman Logan and Councilman Irwin voted no. Motion carried.

Executive Session:

At 9 p.m. the Board went into executive session for the purposes of Attorney-Client Privilege.
At 9:08 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Logan to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to authorize Jacobowitz & Gubits to pursue any means necessary to recover money owed to the Town of New Paltz by Wilmorite, Inc. up to and including litigation. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Attorney Lithco distributed a draft local law that he worked on in conjunction with the Building Inspector. This law addresses money that the Town has expended to maintain properties that have been foreclosed or abandoned. This will help protect adjacent properties and preserve the property in question. This law would provide an opportunity to recover funds by putting a lien against the property to be paid through taxes or a sale transaction. This is consistent with the Zombie Law that was passed by the State.

Announcements:

Supervisor Bettez indicated that the Ulster County Transportation Council has put out bids for the widening of the shoulder on Rte. 299. The design work will begin in 2017.

Set Public Hearing on Proposed Moratorium:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to set the public hearing on the proposed moratorium local law for October 27th at 7 p.m. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried. A motion was made by Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis to approve the larger of the two areas for the map on the proposed moratorium. Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Resolution-Second Rider to Purchase Option Agreement:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to adopt the resolution authorizing the Supervisor to execute the Second Rider, dated September 22, 2016 to Purchase Option Agreement, dated April 14, 2016 with David and Judi Roehrs. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Renewal of UCRRA Agreement:

A motion was made by Councilman Irwin to adopt the resolution designating the Town Board Lead Agency under SEQRA. Supervisor Bettez reviewed the EAF in its entirety. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilman Irwin to adopt the resolution and Notice of Determination of Non-Significance, Negative Declaration, under SEQRA. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to authorize the Supervisor to sign the agreement on behalf of the Town. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Budget Modifications:

A motion was made by Councilman Irwin to approve the following modification to the 2016 budget:

Debit:	AAA-960	Appropriations	\$16,026.00
Decrease:	AAA-522-1430-100	Payroll/Personnel P.S.	\$16,026.00
Credit:	AAA-960	Appropriations	\$16,026.00
Increase:	AAA-522-1430-400	Payroll/Personnel C.E.	\$16,026.00

Reason: To accommodate the transfer of processing expense to the contractual line.
Seconded by Councilman Torres, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Review of Viridian Contract Renewal:

Tabled.

Letter of Intent-Micro Grid Institute:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to accept the letter of intent with the Micro Grid Institute for the NY Prize Stage II Application. Seconded by Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis for discussion. A motion was made by Councilman Irwin to add a friendly amendment that approval is subject to concurrence on 5 years and 10% from the Micro Grid Institute, and authorizing the Supervisor to sign the letter. Seconded by Supervisor Bettez. All aye votes cast on both motions. Motion carried.

Letter of Support-CAPPNY:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to authorize the Supervisor to sign the letter of support for the Coalition Against Pilgrim Pipelines-NY (CAPPNY). Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Parade Request Applications:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve the parade request application from FAMILY of New Paltz for the Turkey Trot. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried. A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to approve the parade request application from Dr. Mike's Doggie Duathlon. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Liquor License Class Change:

A motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to express support to Novella's in their application for a liquor license class change. Seconded by Councilman Irwin, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 10:11 p.m. Councilwoman Seyfert-Lillis left the meeting.

Mill Brook Preserve:

There was a discussion regarding compensation to the WVLT should the Town sell the property resulting in the extinguishing of the Conservation Easement; as well as the issue of the building of a road.

At 10:27 p.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Bettez to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rosanna Mazzaccari
Town Clerk