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Town of Union

Town Board
Rose A. Sotak, *Supervisor*
Thomas R. Augostini, *Councilman*
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Robert Mack, *Councilman*

TOWN OF UNION BOARD MEETING

January 20, 2016

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Union was held on Wednesday, January 20, 2016, at 7:30 P.M. in the Town Board Room, 3111 East Main Street, Endwell, New York.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Rose A. Sotak, Councilman Thomas R. Augostini, Councilman Leonard J. Perfetti, Councilman Robert Mack.
Absent: Councilman Frank J. Bertoni

TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT: Town Attorney Alan J. Pope, Town Clerk Gail L. Springer, Deputy Town Clerk Karen Gance.

Supervisor Rose A. Sotak opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.

BIDS: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Moved by Augostini, seconded by Perfetti to approve the minutes of the Reorganizational meeting with amendment as follows:

1. MEETING DATES

In July and August, meetings will be held on July 13, 2016 and August 10, 2016

and approve the Regular Town of Union Board meeting held on January 6, 2016.
Carried.

HEARING OF VISITORS:

Lieutenant Ben Harting, Broome County Sheriff's Dept., spoke on behalf of the department placing more boxes in certain locations for hypodermic needles. He told the audience of mostly high school students to not ever touch the needles and to call the Sheriff's office if they see any. He also mentioned if anyone sees drug activity, please contact them.



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Supervisor Sotak said that the Lieutenant was here in reference to Action #5 on tonight's agenda.

Councilman Perfetti asked him to explain the dangers of picking up a needle.

Councilman Mack explained if pricked by a needle, treatments for a disease could be for the rest of your life and they monitor people who have been exposed.

A resident of Endicott, asked about the ambulance rates.

As no one else wished to speak, Supervisor Sotak closed the first hearing of Visitors.

COMMUNICATIONS FOR FILING:

Moved by Augustini, seconded by Perfetti to receive and file the following Communications:

1. Time Warner Programming Notice dated January 6, 2016.
2. Minutes of the Regular Meeting and Work Session of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Johnson City held on December 15, 2015.
3. Copy of letter from Alex G. Czuharnich, Project Manager, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Environmental Remediation, to Mr. Kevin Whalen, IBM Corporate Environmental Affairs, regarding, Revised Draft Work Plan – Indoor Air Assessment, Former IBM Facility, Endicott, NY, AOC Index No. A7-0502-0104, NYSDEC Site No. 704014.
4. Invitation to The Broome County Association of Towns & Villages Meeting on Thursday, January 28, 2016 at McGirk's.
5. Susquehanna Heritage Area Commission & Advisory Board 2016 Meeting Schedule.
6. USI Consulting Group – A Postretirement Welfare Benefit – GASB 45 Actuarial Valuation for Town of Union.
7. Minutes of the Regular Meeting and Reorganization Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Johnson City held on December 8, 2015 and January 1, 2016.
Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS FOR ACTION:



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1. Moved by Augustini, seconded by Perfetti to refer the letter from Bill Clark, Southern Tier Antique Tractor Club asking permission to use the lot across the street from the Church of the Nazarene on Route 26 to grow crops for charity to Town Attorney Alan J. Pope, Planning Director Paul A. Nelson, Commissioner of Public Works Louis V. Caforio and the Town Insurance carrier.
Carried.
2. Moved by Augustini, seconded by Perfetti to refer the email from ME student Jenna DiMaio, 3109 Buckingham Road, Endwell, regarding leaf pickup and parking on town streets to Commissioner of Public Works Louis V. Caforio.
Carried.
3. Moved by Augustini, seconded by Perfetti to refer the letter from Megan Canzier, 3 Nebraska Avenue, Endwell, regarding the lack of speed zone signs on East Main Street to Commissioner of Public Works Louis V. Caforio.
Carried.
4. Moved by Augustini, seconded by Perfetti to refer the letter from Zaek Pendergast, 400 Larue Avenue, Endwell, requesting repaving of Larue Avenue to Commissioner of Public Works Louis V. Caforio.
Carried.
5. Moved by Augustini, seconded by Perfetti to refer the email from Ciara McNeill, 7 Barteau Street, Endwell, regarding the deterioration of her neighborhood due to a drug paraphernalia problem and a suggestion for cleanup of the problem to Supervisor Rose A. Sotak, New York State Police and the Broome County Sheriff.
Carried.
6. Moved by Augustini, seconded by Perfetti to refer the letter from ME Student Lila Ingalls, 712 Farm to Market Road, Endwell, regarding the downfall of the community due to drugs to Supervisor Rose A. Sotak.
Carried.
7. Moved by Augustini, seconded by Perfetti to refer the email from Mikayla Waters, 903 Farm to Market Road, Endwell, regarding snow on the sidewalks creating a danger to pedestrians to Deputy Commissioner of Public Works for Codes and Ordinances Daria Golazeski.
Carried.
8. Moved by Augustini, seconded by Perfetti to refer the email from ME Student David Malchak, 910 Debonair Dr., Endwell, regarding needs to enforce sidewalk cleaning to Deputy Commissioner of Public Works for Codes and Ordinances Daria Golazeski.
Carried.



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9. Moved by Augustini, seconded by Perfetti to refer the Notice of Commencement of Action Subject to Electronic Filing and Notice of Summons from HSBC Bank USA, N.A. regarding mortgaged property located at 425 June Street, Endicott Town Attorney Alan J. Pope and Planning Director Paul A. Nelson.
Carried.

PETITIONS: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to establish the standard workdays for elected and appointed officials and to report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by elected and appointed officials to the Town Clerk.)

Res. by Mack, seconded by Perfetti.

Vote: All yes.

The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to authorize Supervisor Rose A. Sotak to sign and execute the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Agreement with the Union Volunteer Emergency Squad, Inc. commencing on January 1, 2016 and expiring on December 31, 2016. The agreement has been approved by the Town Attorney. The Villages of Johnson City and Endicott have approved by resolution the agreement. The Town will support the services provided in the sum of \$260,000.00 as included in the 2016 Final Budget for the Ambulance District.)

Res. by Augustini, seconded by Perfetti.

Vote: All yes.

The Resolution was adopted.

Moved by Perfetti, seconded by Mack to approve the attendance of Mark DelSanto for pool operation training in Binghamton, New York on March 12-13, 2016. Authorization to include \$305.00 fee and use of a Town vehicle or mileage reimbursement.

Carried.

Moved by Mack, seconded by Perfetti to refer to the Planning Board for a recommendation the proposed zoning change for parts of Kentucky Avenue, Delaware Avenue and North Street.

Carried.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to authorize Supervisor Rose A. Sotak to enter into an agreement with Keystone Associates, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$975.00 per property for Housing Rehabilitation projects being funded through the CDBG and CDBG-DR programs.)



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Res. by Mack, seconded by Perfetti.
The Resolution was adopted.

Vote: All yes.

Moved by Perfetti, seconded by Augustini to approve David Conklin, Jillian Stout and Daria Golazeski to attend the NYSBOC Central Chapter Educational Conference at the Holiday Inn, Liverpool, NY March 29-March 31, 2016. The Educational Conference accounts for 24 of the required 24 hours of training. The Conference will include the 2016 CEO Code Update Course that all Code Officers are required to take this year. Cost is \$360 per person and use of Town vehicle is requested.
Carried.

HEARING OF VISITORS:

Jim Baker, 1838 Union Ctr. Hwy., Endicott, spoke in reference to Action #1 on tonight's agenda. He said they grow the crops for charity. They are insured and will have to remove some trees.

Supervisor Sotak said that the board liked the idea and the neighbors will be glad to see the property go for good use.

Matt Fellows, UVES, explained how the rate increase is complex.

Councilman Rob Mack said it all depends on the plan that you choose.

As no one else wished to speak, Supervisor Sotak closed the second Hearing of Visitors.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS ON FILE IN THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE:

Moved by Augustini, seconded by Perfetti to receive and file the following Department Reports:

1. Town Clerk's Monthly Report – December 2015.
2. Town Clerk 2015 Annual Report.
- 3 a. Town of Union Planning Board Decision – Special Use Permit Approval – Outdoor Recreation – Scott Trelease/Neil's Archery & Crossbow Inc., 1460 Union Center – Maine Highway, Tax Map # 141.09-1-11.
- b. Town of Union Planning Board Decision - Special Use Permit Approval – Floodplain Development – Scott Trelease/Neil's Archery & Crossbow Inc.



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- c. Town of Union Planning Board Decision – Site Plan Review Approval – Outdoor Archery Range – Scott Trelease/Neil's Archery & Crossbow Inc.
4. Town of Union Planning Board Decision – Site Plan Review Approval – Echo Salon – Allen Johnson and Kan Kong Cruz, 514 Hooper Road, Endwell, Tax Map #142.13-2-1.
5. Town of Union Planning Board Minutes for November 10 and December 8, 2015. Carried.

Moved by Augustini, seconded by Mack to go into Executive Session to discuss current litigation at 8:04 P.M.
Carried.

No action was taken in Executive Session.

Moved by Augustini, seconded by Perfetti to go out of Executive Session at 8:25 P.M.
Carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Perfetti, seconded by Mack to adjourn the meeting.
Carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 P.M.

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