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# Town of Union

**Town Board**  
Rose A. Sotak, *Supervisor*  
Thomas R. Augustini, *Councilman*  
Frank J. Bertoni, *Councilman*  
Leonard J. Perfetti, *Councilman*  
Robert Mack, *Councilman*

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## TOWN OF UNION BOARD MEETING

October 21, 2015

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Union was held on Wednesday, October 21, 2015 at 7:30 P.M. in the Town of Union Board room, 3111 East Main Street, Endwell, New York.

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

TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT: Deputy Town Attorney Rosemarie Pope, Town Clerk Gail L. Springer, Deputy Town Clerk Rebecca Kruczkowski.  
Absent: Town Attorney Alan J. Pope.

Also in attendance were Planning Board Members Leonard Cicciarelli and Scott Forster.

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 Augustini, seconded by Bertoni to approve the Minutes of the Regular Town of Union Board meeting held on Wednesday, October 7, 2015.  
Carried.

### HEARING OF VISITORS:

A resident of Endicott, asked for an update on the status of the old Endicott Johnson building.

Councilman Thomas Augustini said they are awaiting further information from National Pipe and Plastics to proceed.

A resident of Endicott, asked about the status of the ice rink.



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Councilman Frank Bertoni said Broome County has met with S.C.O.R.E. and they are working on an agreement to partner together with the Town to reopen the ice rink at Grippen Park.

He stated he is a former employee of the Town and part of the last contract negotiation committee. He said the Town has a lot of good employees and he hopes the next round of negotiations goes better.

Lynn Ray, 406 Lee Avenue, Endwell, said she lives on the steep hill and they have a problem with vehicles parking on both sides of the street, especially in the winter. She would like to see something done to get the cars off the road after it snows and the parking changed to one side of the street only.

Councilman Robert Mack said the Town has to enforce the law they already have.

Supervisor Rose A. Sotak said Commissioner of Public Works Louis Caforio will look into this and get back to her.

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

## COMMUNICATIONS FOR FILING:

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

1. Letter from Michael Corso, Consumer Advocate and Director, Office of Consumer Services, New York State Department of Public Service in reference to a series of public hearings to seek consumer input regarding the state Public Service Commission's Reforming the Energy Vision (REV) proceeding.
2. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Endicott held on September 22, 2015.
3. Letter from Stephen Sano, Executive Director, HCA to Supervisor Rose A. Sotak in reference to notification that HCA will continue to pursue the property at 444 Payne Road, Endicott.
4. Letter from Robert N. Nielsen, Jr., Commissioner, Broome County Board of Elections to Supervisor Rose A. Sotak in reference to the County's proposed chargebacks for the 2016 elections.
5. Invitation to The Broome County Association of Town & Villages Media Night on Thursday, November 5, 2015 at the Spot Restaurant.



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Carried.

## COMMUNICATIONS FOR ACTION:

1. Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to refer the letter from Tom and Kathy Balog in reference to acquiring the lot at 284 Endwell Street Johnson City to the Town Board, Town Attorney Alan J. Pope and Planning Director Paul A. Nelson.

Carried.

2. Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to refer the Notice of Motion for Order of Reference in Mortgage Foreclosure from HSBC Bank USA, N.A., Plaintiff, regarding mortgaged property at 38 N. Arch St., New York to Town Attorney Alan J. Pope, Comptroller Laura J. Lindsley and Planning Director Paul A. Nelson.

Carried.

PETITIONS:           None.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

Moved by Bertoni, seconded by Mack to authorize military leave for Jay Harris on November 2-9, 2015.

Carried.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to call for a Public Hearing to be held on Wednesday, November 4, 2015 at 7:30 P.M. to consider the 2016 Preliminary Budget and annual fire contracts for the Fire Protection Districts, and proposed Tax Cap Override local law.)

Res. by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni.

Vote: All yes.

The Resolution was adopted.

Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to approve the following 2015 Budget Transfers:

Decrease:	10 1410 4601	Travel & Expense	\$229.99
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Increase:	10 1410 2200	Office Equipment	\$229.99
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Carried.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to authorize Supervisor Rose A. Sotak to enter into an agreement with Clark Patterson Lee, Binghamton, NY in an amount not to exceed \$9,900.00. This project is being funded through the 2015 CDBG grant.)

Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Mack.

Vote: All yes.



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The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to authorize Supervisor Rose A. Sotak to sign and execute, upon review of the Commissioner of Public Works and the Town Attorney's approval, the agreement with the New York State Department of Transportation Office of Right of Way for just compensation of \$500.00 regarding PIN 9041.29.201.)

Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Augustini.

Vote: All yes.

The Resolution was adopted.

## HEARING OF VISITORS:

Paul Gonzalez, 508 June Street, Endicott, thanked the Board and all who helped get the Veteran's Monument moved to in front of the Union Center Fire Station.

Scott Forester, 572 Hooper Road, Endwell, asked what the above agreement with New York State Department of Transportation was pertaining to.

Councilman Frank Bertoni explained it is for an easement on Town property by Patterson Creek.

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

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

Moved by Augustini, seconded by Bertoni to receive and file the following Department Reports.

1. Town Clerk's Monthly Report - September 2015.
2. Town of Union Comptroller's Monthly Report – August 2015 and September 2015.
3. Union Volunteer Emergency Squad, Inc. – Profit & Loss Prev Year Comparison January through August 2015.
4. Town of Union Planning Board Minutes - September 8, 2015.

Carried.

## ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Bertoni, seconded by Augustini to adjourn the meeting.

Carried.



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The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 P.M.

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