

Town Board

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TOWN OF UNION BOARD MEETING

April 3, 2024

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Union was held on Wednesday, April 3, 2024 at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Board Room, 3111 East Main Street, Endwell, New York.

<u>BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT</u>: Supervisor Robert Mack, Councilman Thomas R. Augostini, Councilman Frank J. Bertoni, Councilman Joseph P. Nirchi, Sr. Councilman David Kudgus.

TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT: Deputy Attorney Ryan R. Matt, Town Clerk Leonard J.

Perfetti,

Absent: Town Attorneys Alan & Rose Pope.

Supervisor Robert Mack opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A Public Hearing was called for on Wednesday April 3, 2024 to solicit public input for the New Community Development Block Grant Program Five Year Consolidated Plan. Published & Posted on February 22, 2024

Gregory Gibbs 524 South Grippen Ave Endicott. He asked if the board received his letter and the board said yes. He was speaking on the CDBG Five year plan 2025-2029. His concern is that the threshold for people like himself don't qualify for the current criteria of \$40,000 since he has a rental property that is valued over that threshold and he becomes unqualified for his home where he resides. He is asking that be modified. He said this affects small business owners whether they make any money at their business or not because the property is valued over the \$40,000. He believes this is unfair for many people who need these home repair loans. He also spoke about the Grippen Park upgrades that the County is doing. He would like to see some of the trees removed out back of the park where the kids used to be able to sleigh ride.

As no one else wished to speak, Supervisor Robert Mack closed the Public Hearing.

BIDS: None.



APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to approve the Minutes of the Regular Town of Union Board Meeting held on Wednesday, March 20, 2024. Carried.

HEARING OF VISITORS:

Bob Utter Airport Road asked if there was any more information on the IDA project for Airport Road. Supervisor Mack said there will not be hearing anything until the law suit with the Town of Maine and the IDA on Lead Agency is settled. Mr. Utter provided a map of the project that has been available since of December of 2022 of the drawing and buildings of the project. He stated that he has left all his contact information and would like board members to contact him with any questions and has asked for the board help. He also mentioned that he has provided a petition in the past to the board on the project.

Erin Micha Broome County Legislature district 10 spoke on her new redistricting and she wanted the resident to know who she was and wanted to let them know she likes to interact with her residents and she will make herself available for any questions and concerns.

As no one else wished to speak, Supervisor Robert Mack closed the first Hearing of Visitors.

COMMUNICATIONS FOR FILING: NONE

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PETITIONS: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

Moved by Augostini, seconded by Kudgus to approve the following 2023 Budget Transfers:

Decrease: 20 1990 4611 P/T Miscellaneous Contingency \$350.00

Increase: 20 7411 4040 Culture - Golf Open Sponsorship \$350.00

Carried

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Vote: All yes.

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(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to award the proposal to GHD Consulting Services for the amount of \$36,000.00 for the West Corners and Seward Avenue Sewer Cleaning Design).

Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Nirchi.

The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to award the proposal to GHD Consulting Services for the amount of \$67,000.00 for the proposal from GHD Consulting Services for the Farm to Market Pump Station Forcemain Extension Design).

Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Nirchi.

The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to award the proposal from GHD Consulting Services for the amount of \$12,000.00 for the Argonne Pump Station Hydraulic Analysis.)

Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Nirchi.

The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to award the proposal from Delta Engineering for the Planning Department in the amount of \$6,800.00 for the Professional Engineering Services for the Town of Union Building – Planning Department.

Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Nirchi.

The Resolution was adopted.

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes to award the Camelot Road Drainage Improvements to ProCon Contractors for their low bid price of \$1,484,000.00. Vote: All yes.

Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Nirchi.

The Resolution was adopted.

Moved by Augostini, seconded by Nirchi to approve Anthony Abbadessa and Kevin Edwards to attend the 2024 Highway School at Ithaca College on June 3-5, 2024 with a registration fee of \$125.00 per person. The approval would include the registration fee, use of a Town Vehicle and all related expenses.

Carried

Moved by Bertoni, seconded by Kudgus to approve the request from Rob Weinberger regarding the Music in the Glen and to accept the continuation of renting the shelter on Saturdays for the applicable fee and then the same shelter on Tuesday be included.

Carried

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Moved by Kudgus, seconded by Augostini to issue a proclamation declaring the month of April 2024 as Fair Housing Month in the Town of Union.

Carried

Moved by Kudgus, seconded by Augostini to issue a proclamation declaring the week of April 15-19, 2024 as Community Development Week.

Carried

(Prepared Resolution filed as part of these minutes authorizing the Planning Department to contribute \$70,000 of CDBG funds for the removal of Slum/Blight located at 749 W. Main Street, Endicott, NY.

Res. by Bertoni, seconded by Nirchi.

The Resolution was adopted.

HEARING OF VISITORS:

As no one wished to speak, Supervisor Robert Mack closed the second Hearing of Visitors.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS ON FILE IN THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE: NONE

Council Comments

Mr. Nirchi spoke about a recent death of a young Endicott Police Officer Shawn Erin that died unexpectedly. He is leaves behind a family and also served in the military.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Augostini, seconded by Bertoni to adjourn the meeting. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Leonard J. Perfetti Town Clerk

Vote: All yes.

LJP

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