

Minutes of the Town Board Meeting held on July 15, 2021 at 7:30PM

Present: Thomas Burke, Deputy Supervisor
Tyler Etzel, Jacqueline Hernandez and Robert Hunter, Council
Absent: Frank Palermo, Supervisor
Also Present: Joseph McKay, Attorney for the Town; Joseph Gianzero, Working Supervisor for the
Parks; John Smith, Library Board; Maria Hunter, Beautification Committee; Kevin
Ambrose, Police Officer

I. Public Input: *There was no public comment received.*

II. Administrative Business:

a. Acceptance of Minutes:

Motion was offered by Councilman Etzel, seconded by Councilman Hunter, to accept receipt of the minutes of the meeting held July 1, 2021.

ADOPTED AYES 4 Burke, Etzel, Hernandez, Hunter
NOES 0

b. Approval of Abstract:

Motion was offered by Councilwoman Hernandez, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Burke, to approve Abstract 14 containing vouchers 210960 – 211030 (voiding voucher 211027, check #24218) and totaling \$178,375.65.

ADOPTED AYES 4 Burke, Etzel, Hernandez, Hunter
NOES 0

c. Budget Modification:

Motion was offered by Councilman Etzel, seconded by Councilwoman Hernandez, to approve modifications to the 2021 budget as follows:

- General Fund – increasing A599 (Appropriated Fund Balance) by \$2800 and increasing A1680.401 (Subscriptions/Microsoft & LogMeIn) by \$2800;
- Parks Department – increasing A7110.200 (Equipment) by \$135, A7110.425 (Service Contracts) by \$175 and decreasing A7110.429 (Special Programs) by \$310;
- Animal Control – increasing A3510.466 (Expenditure of Donations) by \$1400 and increasing A2706 (ACO Donations) by \$1400.

ADOPTED AYES 4 Burke, Etzel, Hernandez, Hunter
NOES 0

III. New Business:

a. Appointment of Part-Time Dispatcher – Brittany Bogle:

Deputy Supervisor Burke stated this item was added to the agenda at 11:30AM this morning by Supervisor Palermo and he asked if the Board members are comfortable entertaining action on the item this evening. They all stated there were. Motion was then offered by Councilman Hunter, seconded by Councilwoman Hernandez, to approve the appointment of Brittany Bogle to the position of part-time Dispatcher at an hourly rate of \$23.9817 effective July 26, 2021.

ADOPTED AYES 4 Burke, Etzel, Hernandez, Hunter
NOES 0

EXTRA ITEM – Budget Update:

Deputy Supervisor Burke provided an update on the finances of the Town as follows:

- General Fund – Mortgage Tax – the amount budgeted was \$250,000 and as of June 30 the Town received \$232,213. If the remaining six months follow trend, the Town could receive for the year approximately \$450,000, or approximately \$200,000 more than budgeted.
- General Fund – Fines and Forfeited Bail – the amount budgeted was \$500,000 and as of May 31 the Town received \$238,600. If the remaining seven months follow trend, the Town could receive for the year approximately \$570,000, or approximately \$70,000 more than budgeted.
- General Fund – Sales Tax – the amount budgeted was \$771,000 and for the first quarter the Town received \$225,732. If the remaining quarters follow trend, the Town could receive \$130,000 more than budgeted.

IV. Old Business: *There was no old business to discuss.*

V. Department Reports:

a. Supervisor Report:

Motion was offered by Councilman Etzel, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Burke, to approve the Supervisor’s Report for June 2021 with receipts totaling \$483,332.79 and disbursements totaling \$976,441.08.

ADOPTED AYES 4 Burke, Etzel, Hernandez, Hunter
 NOES 0

- b. Town Clerk’s Report – June 2021
- c. ACO Report – June 2021
- d. Police/Communications Report – June 2021
- e. Library Board Minutes - June 22, 2021
- f. Library Director Report – June 2021
- g. Parks Committee Minutes - June 15, 2021
- h. Parks, Building & Grounds Report – June 2021
- i. Beautification Committee Minutes - July 1, 2021
- j. Budget vs. Actual – June 2021

VI. Board Member Comments:

Councilman Hunter stated the last Village Board was shocking for everyone. He was disgusted by the way that Trustee Giacomazza handled himself and the awful comments he made towards Rey Hernandez. He cannot imagine the embarrassment to the Hernandez family those comments may have caused. He feels the Trustee Giacomazza should resign as he does not have the demeanor for the position. He also stated Trustee Giacomazza vision for unifying Woodbury is not one he wants to be a part of.

Deputy Supervisor Burke stated he also watched the Village Board meeting at which statements were made about candidates running for Town office. He noted he, and all members of this Town Board, are here for all residents of Woodbury. It has always been his objective to collaborate with all residents, volunteers and all elected officials in Woodbury. He wants to partner with those that give of themselves for the betterment of community and its residents. He noted that, at the end of the day, if we all work together, Woodbury will win. He wished every person running for election, Village and Town, the best of luck.

Working Leader Gianzero highlighted some work the Buildings/Grounds Department has done this month based on the library report submitted. The HVAC at the Central Valley Library is being worked on – all materials have been ordered but remain on backorder. Once all the parts are in the unit will be replaced. The basement door has been replaced but cannot be painted at this time due to weather conditions. The power-washing at both libraries cannot be done until the outdoor water restrictions are lifted by the Village. The hot water heater at the Highland Mills Library broke down and it has been replaced/repared. The pipe on the boiler will need to be replaced. Moving to other Town facilities, the generator for the Community Center has been delivered and will be installed soon by the vendor. An electrician is coming tomorrow to look at issues that are being experienced at the Animal Shelter, Senior Center and library. Some work has been done at the dog park but the grounds are still very soggy to do much more at this time. The front railing for the Historical Society is being built inhouse and will take about a month to complete/replace. Camp Rez is continuing with about 50 children enrolled. It, and the Reservoir, has been inspected twice so far this year and passed both times. He asked all that drive at the Reservoir to do so slowly and be mindful of the individuals walking and playing there. Deputy Supervisor Burke asked if there was an update on the fence being worked on at the Gatehouse. Working Leader Gianzero stated he knows it has not been painted yet but he is unaware of the timeframe since he was not made aware of the work being done. Councilwoman Hernandez asked if there was an update on the sensory park and she was told the process is ongoing, as is the pickleball court.

VII. Adjournment:

With no further business to discuss or comments received, a motion was offered by Councilwoman Hernandez, seconded by Councilman Etzel, to adjourn the meeting at 7:50PM.

ADOPTED AYES 4 Burke, Etzel, Hernandez, Hunter
 NOES 0

Desiree Potvin, Town Clerk