

Minutes of the Town Board Meeting held at Town Hall on June 1, 2017 at 7:30PM

Present: David Sutz, Supervisor
Timothy Arone, Michael Essig, Robert Hunter and Frank Palermo, Councilmen
Absent: None
Also Present: Tracy Maggio, Clerk to the Supervisor; Alice Confield, Court Clerk; Ellen Ward and Jennifer Potter, Assessor Clerk; Sandra Capriglione and Maria Hunter, Village Planning Board

I. Administrative Business:

a. Acceptance of Minutes:

Motion was offered by Councilman Arone, seconded by Councilman Hunter, to accept the minutes of the regular meeting held May 18, 2017.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Sutz, Arone, Essig, Hunter, Palermo
NOES 0

b. Budget Modification(s):

Motion was offered by Councilman Essig, seconded by Councilman Hunter, to approve a modification to the budget of the Parks Department by increasing A599 (Appropriated Fund Balance) by \$5175 and increasing A7110.417 (Field Maintenance) by \$5175.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Sutz, Arone, Essig, Hunter, Palermo
NOES 0

Motion was offered by Councilman Hunter, seconded by Councilman Arone, to approve a modification to the budget of the Buildings & Grounds Department by increasing A2680 (Insurance Recoveries) by \$46,500, A599 (Appropriated Fund Balance) by \$11,870 and increasing A1620.200 (Equipment) by \$58,370.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Sutz, Arone, Essig, Hunter, Palermo
NOES 0

Motion was offered by Councilman Arone, seconded by Councilman Essig, to approve a modification to the budget of the Buildings & Grounds Department by increasing A599 (Appropriated Fund Balance) by \$3500 and increasing A1620.400 (Contractual Expenses) by \$3500.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Sutz, Arone, Essig, Hunter, Palermo
NOES 0

Motion was offered by Councilman Hunter, seconded by Councilman Arone, to approve a modification to the budget of the Library by decreasing L7410.100 (Personnel Services) by \$1124 and increasing L7410.463 (Computer Software) by \$1124.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Sutz, Arone, Essig, Hunter, Palermo
NOES 0

Motion was offered by Councilman Essig, seconded by Councilman Arone, to approve a modification to the budget of the Building & Grounds Department by increasing A599 (Appropriated Fund Balance) by \$4950 and increasing A1620.400 (Contractual Expenses) by \$4950.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Sutz, Arone, Essig, Hunter, Palermo
NOES 0

c. Approval of Abstract:

Motion was offered by Councilman Arone, seconded by Councilman Essig, to approve Abstract 10 containing vouchers 20170875 - 20170928 and totaling \$130,581.82.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Sutz, Arone, Essig, Hunter, Palermo

NOES 0

d. Appointment of Police Officer:

Motion was offered by Councilman Palermo, seconded by Councilman Essig, to appoint Nicholas Schust to the position of Police Officer beginning June 19, 2017 and Jorge Medina to the position of Police Officer beginning July 5, 2017 - both at an annual rate of \$62,095 pursuant to the PBA Contract.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Sutz, Arone, Essig, Hunter, Palermo
NOES 0

EXTRA ITEM – Changing of Meeting Date:

Motion was offered by Councilman Arone, seconded by Councilman Palermo, to change the June 15 meeting to June 12 at 7:30PM for the sole purpose of approving an abstract.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Sutz, Arone, Essig, Hunter, Palermo
NOES 0

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

III. New Business:

a. Authorize Supervisor to Sign - Agreement with AARauctions.com:

Motion was offered by Councilman Arone, seconded by Councilman Hunter, to authorize the Supervisor to sign an agreement with AARauctions.com for selling of surplus equipment on their auction site.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Sutz, Arone, Essig, Hunter, Palermo
NOES 0

Councilman Arone asked if this company will replace Auctions International and Supervisor Sutz stated both companies can be used. This new company provides more services at no additional costs (they take all the photos of the items to be sold).

IV. Public Comment:

John Freiband would like to restate what was discussed at the first meeting for the options of the municipal building. They have since spoken to some contractors that have done work with Al Fusco and have very definite ideas of what the costs will be. He believes there are some serious irregularities in Al Fusco's paperwork and there is no continuity in the proposals prepared by Mr. Fusco. According to the contractor that is working with Mr. Fusco on another project he feels there is a \$3 million difference relating to storm water. He believes there were an enormous amount of costs in using the Gasho site that were omitted from the Fusco proposal. He feels the Board needs to examine the costs carefully. His group has offered the services of an engineer, architect and others so the Town can get a municipal building that they need. Supervisor Sutz thanked him for the comments. He read the proposal by his group that was printed in the local publications but stressed that nothing has been approved at this time and all proposals are being reviewed. He will take the comments made by Mr. Freiband back to Engineer Fusco and ask for clarification.

Dina Marie Egenes informed the Board about some unpleasant incidents she has experienced with the Assessor. She stated the Assessor was verbal abusive towards her on three separate occasions. She then explained in detail the three incidents noting that at one the Police were called to escort her from the Town Hall. She was then concerned that she was being targeted by the police and spoke to Sergeant Phillips about her concerns. She made an appointment with Supervisor Sutz to discuss the issue but was not satisfied with the results. The Board members asked several questions to understand

more clearly the circumstances of the incidents that occurred and thanked Mrs. Egenes for coming to the meeting to share her concerns. It was noted the Board members will investigate the issues.

V. Board Member Comments:

Councilman Palermo thanked all that participated and watched the Memorial Day parade. He appreciated all those that came out and supported those that lost their lives for our Country. He then noted he received an e-mail stated Woodbury has been rated one of the 100 safest places in New York.

Supervisor Sutz stated recently in the Photo News and the Woodbury Gazette a "My View" was published by private individuals stating their opinion of what should be done to resolve the municipal building needs of the Town and Village. He clarified that the plan proposed was just their opinion and not something that has been approved by either the Town or Village Boards. In addition, the Building Committee is still reviewing several proposals and has requested that the June 12 meeting be canceled at this time since there is currently nothing new to present or discuss until they are finished reviewing what has been submitted.

VI. Adjournment:

With no further business to discuss or comments received, a motion was offered by Councilman Essig, seconded by Councilman Arone, to adjourn the meeting at 8:20PM.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Sutz, Arone, Essig, Hunter, Palermo
 NOES 0

Desiree Potvin, Town Clerk