

Minutes of the Town Board Virtual Meeting held on August 6, 2020 at 7:35PM

Present: Frank Palermo, Supervisor
Thomas Burke, Tyler Etzel, Jacqueline Hernandez and Robert Hunter, Council
Absent: None
Also Present: Joseph McKay, Attorney for the Town and various members of the public

I. Administrative Business:

a. Acceptance of Minutes:

Motion was offered by Supervisor Palermo, seconded by Councilwoman Hernandez, to accept receipt of the minutes of the meeting held July 16, 2020.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Palermo, Burke, Etzel, Hernandez, Hunter
NOES 0

b. Approval of Abstract:

Motion was offered by Supervisor Palermo, seconded by Councilman Burke, to approve Revised Abstract 8 by voiding voucher 200667 (check #226561). This reduces the abstract total to be \$443,823.17.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Palermo, Burke, Etzel, Hernandez, Hunter
NOES 0

Motion was then offered by Supervisor Palermo, seconded by Councilman Hunter, to approve Abstract 14 which includes vouchers 200908 – 201082 and totals \$484,376.21.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Palermo, Burke, Etzel, Hernandez, Hunter
NOES 0

c. Approval of Budget Modifications:

Motion was offered by Supervisor Palermo, seconded by Councilman Etzel, to approve modifications to the FY2020 budget as follows:

- General Fund – increasing A599 (Appropriated Fund Balance) by \$7800 and increasing A1690.400 (Security System Town Wide) by \$7800;
- General Fund – increasing A599 (Appropriated Fund Balance) by \$522 and increasing A3020.400 (Emergency Notification) by \$522;
- Board of Assessment Review – increasing A1470.100 (BOAR Personal Service) by \$225 and decreasing A1470.400 (Board of Assessment Review) by \$225;
- Woodbury Common BID – increasing SMB3120.403 (Policing, Other Agencies) by \$3052 and decreasing SMB3120.100 (Police Personal Service) by \$3052;
- Animal Control – increasing A2707 (ACO Gift Cards) by \$1651 and increasing A3510.407 (Gift Card Expenditures) by \$1651;
- Woodbury Common BID – increasing SMB3120.100 (Police Personal Services) by \$113,613 and decreasing SMB3120.101 (Officer FT 40 Hrs Thurs-Mon) by \$89,907, SMB3120.102 (Police K-9 Services) by \$23,706.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Palermo, Burke, Etzel, Hernandez, Hunter
NOES 0

II. New Business:

a. Authorize Supervisor to Sign – Liability Insurance Renewal 2020-2021:

Motion was offered by Councilman Etzel, seconded by Councilman Hunter, to authorize the Supervisor to sign the proposal from Marshall & Sterling for liability coverage September 1, 2020 thru August 31, 2021, at a cost of \$139,720.90.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Palermo, Burke, Etzel, Hernandez, Hunter
NOES 0

b. Declaration of Surplus Equipment and Authorization for Auction:

Motion was offered by Councilwoman Hernandez, seconded by Councilman Etzel, to declare the following items as surplus: 2005 Chevy Tahoe (VIN 1GNEK13T25J220941) and various office supplies/equipment/furniture from the Library.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Palermo, Burke, Etzel, Hernandez, Hunter
NOES 0

Motion was then offered by Supervisor Palermo, seconded by Councilwoman Hernandez, to authorize the Town Clerk to publish the above items for sale at auction.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Palermo, Burke, Etzel, Hernandez, Hunter
NOES 0

c. Authorize Supervisor to Sign Agreement – Stratagem - New Assessor's Office:

Motion was offered by Supervisor Palermo, seconded by Councilman Etzel, to authorize the Supervisor to sign the agreement with Stratagem Security for the installation of security equipment in the new Assessor's Office at a total cost of \$3277.36.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Palermo, Burke, Etzel, Hernandez, Hunter
NOES 0

d. Approval of Election Expenses – September 9 Special Election:

Motion was offered by Councilwoman Hernandez, seconded by Councilman Burke, to set the following pay rates for the various positions associated with the September 9 Special Election relating to the bonding for the renovations of the John P Burke Pool: Election Inspector \$250 each; Machine Operator \$250 each; Chairperson \$275 each; Field Technician \$300.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Palermo, Burke, Etzel, Hernandez, Hunter
NOES 0

e. Acceptance of Resignation - Patricia Conques from Library Board:

Motion was offered by Councilman Burke, seconded by Councilwoman Hernandez, to accept, with regrets, the resignation of Patricia Conquest from the Library Board effective immediately.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Palermo, Burke, Etzel, Hernandez, Hunter
NOES 0

g. Authorize Town Clerk to advertise for a Library Board Member replacement:

Motion was offered by Councilwoman Hernandez, seconded by Councilman Burke, to authorize the Town Clerk to advertise for the vacancy on the Library Board. Letters of interest are due to the Town Clerk's Office by close of business in August 28, 2020.

ADOPTED AYES 5 Palermo, Burke, Etzel, Hernandez, Hunter
NOES 0

III. Board Meeting Comments:

Councilwoman Hernandez encouraged everyone to be strong while they were dealing with the frustrations of being without power due to the recent storm. There was a lot of damage and downed trees in the area. She commended the Buildings/Grounds Department and then Village Highway Department for the work they have done. She then reminded the public there is an ice cream social with the Police Department at the Reservoir tomorrow.

Councilman Etzel thanked the Highway Department for their quick response and great job during the recent storm.

Councilman Hunter thanked Patricia Conques for her work on the Library Board as well as her (and her husbands) volunteerism with the Ambulance Corps. He feels they will be hard to replace and he wished them well with their future plans.

Attorney McKay stated earlier in the week the Board held an attorney/client session which he felt was very productive and gave all a chance to talk about things in more detail that there is not normally time to do so when the session is held after the meeting. He feels these types of session should be held regularly in the virtual setting.

Supervisor Palermo stated the Community Center at the Reservoir as a cooling station from 10AM – 3PM and to allow residents to charge their electronics. If the power outage continues then the center will be open over the weekend as well. Today he participated in a conference call with other Supervisors to discuss the response time of Orange & Rockland and their lack of planning. The Town had a plan in place to respond to the storm and even lowered the level of the Reservoir to counteract any possible flooding. He feels the excuses given by Orange & Rockland are wrong. He noted the Police Department has offered to store medication in their refrigerator for residents with special needs. He has asked Senator Skoufis to draft legislation that will require utility companies to have a published plan of action in place when storms are expected. Councilwoman Hernandez added the Senior Center reached out by phone to our seniors checking on them and to see if they had any immediate needs. Supervisor Palermo stated he is very proud of the Town and Village for all the work they did responding to the storm and cleanup.

IV. 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 8:05PM.

ADOPTED	AYES	5	Palermo, Burke, Etzel, Hernandez, Hunter
	NOES	0	

Desiree Potvin, Town Clerk

