

**TOWN BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING  
May 1, 2017**

A regularly scheduled Town Board Workshop Meeting was held on Monday, May 1, 2017 in the Town Hall 284 Broadway Ulster Park, New York at 7:30 PM with the following persons in attendance:

**Supervisor Diane McCord  
Councilperson Gloria Van Vliet  
Councilperson Wayne Freer - Absent  
Councilperson Jared Guess  
Councilperson Kathie Quick**

**Administrative Recorder: Holly A. Netter, Town Clerk**

Supervisor Diane McCord called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

**PUBLIC COMMENT - None**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – INTERVIEW LORI SHERIDAN**

**A MOTION WAS MADE TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION BY COUNCILPERSON GLORIA VAN VLIET AT 7:30 PM FOR THE PURPOSE OF INTERVIEWING LORI SHERIDAN FOR A VACANCY ON THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON KATHIE QUICK. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.**

**A MOTION TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS MADE BY COUNCILPERSON GLORIA VAN VLIET AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MCCORD AT 7:45 PM. ALL MEMBERS WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.**

Lori shared her resume with the Board and would like to be considered for an opening on the Environmental Board or Waterfront Advisory Board when positions are available.

**TRANSFER STATION – FRONT PORCH**

Councilperson Jared Geuss, liaison to the Transfer Station, shared some ideas which had been discussed with Lenny Liberta. Lenny has salvaged some material from the old kennel and would like to install a small porch on the side of the trailer. He is asking for \$100 to purchase a few 4 x 4's and materials to complete the job. The Town Board was in agreement to spend the money.

Currently there are a few snow blowers and mowers that can be auctioned off to bring in revenue for the Town as well as the kennels. A reserve will be placed for the scrap metal value. These items will be auctioned the next time the Highway Department has equipment to auction.

Councilperson Van Vliet asked about the covering that had been approved a few months ago. Councilperson Guess said it had fallen through but Lenny was having someone look into giving him a new price.

**MID HUDSON STREET LIGHT PROCUREMENT APPROACHES/ENERGY Conservation Specialists' LED retrofit Program**

The Board continued their discussion based on information received at the April Town Board Meeting regarding street lighting for the Town. No decisions have been made on whether they will join Pat Courtney Strong for the municipal grant. There is an opportunity to save 65% on the cost of lighting by replacing the existing lighting. There are several options and the Board will need to research, compare costs and see what approach they will take.

**Energy Conservation Specialist LED Retrofit Program**

The use of LED lighting will save money and last longer. This item will need to be budgeted for. Funds for the bulb replacement in the Town Hall may come from the Capital fund. Grant opportunities are also available. Currently there is a company performing an audit on the Town hall lights as part of the NYSERDA grant for the Solar Project at the Landfill. Results of the audit will be reviewed and the Town Board can use the data to further discuss this opportunity.

**LANDFILL VENT REPLACEMENT**

Currently there are 11 vents which need to be replaced on the capped Landfill to allow the gas to be released. The cost for the replacements is \$36,000. Supervisor McCord said she was told by the Bookkeeper, Debbie Kain, there is money to cover the expense in the budget.

**CAS LANDI MEMORIAL PARK PAVILION DEDICATION**

There will be a dedication of Cas Landi Park on June 11<sup>th</sup>, time will be confirmed. Dan Vedder will plant grass around the pavilion. St. Remy Fire Department will relocate a flag pole from their fire house to the park. Invitations will be sent out.

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN SURVEY MAILING**

Councilperson Jared Geuss said the Comprehensive Board decided on a postcard mailer design for the survey. Residents will be able to go online to complete the survey. Hard copies will be available for those who do not have computer access. Paper copies will need to be inputted into the computer manually. There are 4600 parcels. There will be a community forum after results are obtained.

**PORT EWEN FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMORIALIZING RESOLUTION REQUEST**

Supervisor McCord presented the request from the Fire Department to pass a memorializing resolution on cancer coverage for the firemen. The Board is not in favor of passing the memorializing resolution and suggested they lobby the State, contacting the Governor and Senators. Supervisor McCord will write a letter to the Fire Department with the Board's suggestions.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION - POTENTIAL LITIGATION WATER TANK**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SUPERVISOR MCCORD AT 8:25 PM TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING POTENTIAL LITIGATION FOR THE ACQUISITION OF THE PROPERTY FOR THE NEW PORT EWEN WATER DEPARTMENT WATER TANK. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON JARED GEUSS. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION WAS MADE TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:35 PM BY COUNCILPERSON KATHIE QUICK AND WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON GLORIA VAN VLIET. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

NO ACTION TAKEN.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION - PERSONNEL FIRE INSPECTOR**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SUPERVISOR MCCORD AT 8:35 PM TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING THE EMPLOYMENT HISTORY OF THE FIRE INSPECTOR. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON JARED GEUSS. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION WAS MADE TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:50 PM BY COUNCILPERSON GLORIA VAN VLIET AND WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON KATHIE QUICK. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

NO DECISION MADE.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 8:51 PM WAS MADE BY SUPERVISOR MCCORD AND SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON JARED GEUSS. ALL TOWN BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Holly A. Netter  
Town Clerk