

TOWN OF ULSTER TOWN BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING (10)

MAY 6, 2021

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED: 7:10 pm
Katrine Lane Sewer District Extension Being Added to the Ulster Sewer District

CALLED TO ORDER BY DEPUTY SUPERVISOR, JOHN MORROW at 7:05 PM

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL by Town Clerk, Suzanne Reavy:

TOWN COUNCILMAN ERIC KITCHEN
TOWN COUNCILMAN JOHN MORROW
TOWN COUNCILMAN ROCCO SECRETO
TOWN COUNCILMAN CLAYTON VAN KLEECK
SUPERVISOR JAMES E. QUIGLEY 3rd - *Excused*

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

1. Warren Tutt, Building Inspector
2. Frank Petramale, Highway Superintendent
3. Jason Kovacs, Town Attorney
4. Kyle Berardi, Police Chief
5. Vincent Maggiore, Wastewater Superintendent
6. Three town residents

~~ ALL AGENDA ITEMS (MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS) ARE MADE VIA ROLL CALL VOTE ~~

ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO AGENDA – None

PUBLIC DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEMS –

Laura Hartmann, 44 Catskill Avenue

Regarding the new website item – hoping the town is open to suggestions about what she and others would like to see on the website

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COMMUNICATIONS –

Letter read from M. Sergio, Chambers Drive, praising Post Park attendants, Randy Sauers and Kyle Melick. Employees are an asset and park is beautiful.

BUDGET MODIFICATIONS – (2021-M-119)

Presented by Councilman Van Kleeck

Total Transfers: \$ 831,927.00

MOTION: Councilman Van Kleeck

SECOND: Councilman Kitchen

Town Councilman Kitchen	-Yes
Town Councilman Morrow	-Yes
Town Councilman Secreto	-Yes
Town Councilman Van Kleeck	-Yes
Supervisor Quigley	-Excused

CARRIED

New Business:

Presentation and Acceptance of December 31, 2020 Monthly Supervisor Report (2021-M-120)

MOTION: Councilman Van Kleeck

SECOND: Councilman Secreto

Town Councilman Kitchen	-Yes
Town Councilman Morrow	-Yes
Town Councilman Secreto	-Yes
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Opening: Dennis Larios, Engineering Consultant

Purpose is to establish the extension of the Ulster Sewer District. In 2019, Town Board obtained grant for sewer extension. Sewer and highway doing all installation inhouse work of the low pressure system, except for CSX railroad crossing. Fifty three parcels eligible for service now – total of 53 parcels assessed at \$15M. No debt incurred in this; proposed tax rate is \$1.55 per 1000 of assessed rate. Use rate is \$2.42 per 1000 gallons. This is a vital service to the town. Connection is at property owner’s expense; even those who do not connect will still be taxed.

MOTION to Open Public Hearing (7:21 PM): (2021-M-121)

MOTION: Councilman Secreto
SECOND: Councilman Van Kleeck

Town Councilman Kitchen	-Yes
Town Councilman Morrow	-Yes
Town Councilman Secreto	-Yes
Town Councilman Van Kleeck	-Yes
Supervisor Quigley	-Excused

CARRIED

MOTION to Close Public Hearing (7:22 PM): (2021-M-122)

MOTION: Councilman Secreto
SECOND: Councilman Van Kleeck

Town Councilman Kitchen	-Yes
Town Councilman Morrow	-Yes
Town Councilman Secreto	-Yes
Town Councilman Van Kleeck	-Yes
Supervisor Quigley	-Excused

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Councilman Morrow: Still accepting written comments for two weeks.

Presentation of Ulster County Commission for Reapportionment by Regis Obijiski and Kathleen Waithe

The Ulster County 2020 Commission on Reapportionment is a seven-member body, convened every ten years following the decennial federal census, to establish the boundaries of the 23 districts that comprise the Ulster County Legislature.

RO: From Town of Ulster, Ledge Road

KW: From Town of Saugerties. Thank you for inviting us here. Purpose tonight to receive input and raise awareness of the commission work; redistricting rules imposed by law. Seven commissioners selected by willingness and ability to be fair. Consensus should be delivered this September. County will retain 23 districts, but boundaries could look different based on the distribution of population since the last census.

RO: One rule is equal population. 2010 census 182,000. NYS lost a seat by 89 people. Does not know what Ulster County will look like. No gerrymandering - -where elected officials get to choose their voters ; no favor or exclude based on political interests.

Another rule is contiguity: when lines are drawn, a district has to be whole and entire and not cross any other district lines.

KW: Our website is legislator.ulstercountyny.gov to check our progress. Email is reapportionment@co.ulster.ny.us

RO: Commissioners designed a web page with citizen guide, county charter, FAQ, subcommittee communications, contacts, bios of commissioners, 2020 census data, agenda & minutes, links and the commissioners' draft plan will be presented when completed (has to be completed by end of May, 2022). Will draw and redistrict this fall. Commissioners will serve until election, 2023. Plan that they create will be submitted to UC Board of Elections.

Councilman Kitchen: How much influence will legislature have?

RO: Legislature will not vote on the plan. The board is made up of four selected members (two by majority leader/two by minority leader). Those four members selected the other three members. Chosen by colleagues, aside from party affiliation.

~ Discussion on redistricting between Councilman Kitchen, Regis, and Kathleen ~

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Motion to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Modification to the Operation and Maintenance Agreement for the Hudson River Access Site at Charles Rider Park, Town of Ulster with NYS DEC (2021-M-123)

Councilman Secreto: To increase the fees from \$8/\$50 to \$10/\$75

MOTION: Councilman Secreto

SECOND: Councilman Van Kleeck

Town Councilman Kitchen	-Yes
Town Councilman Morrow	-Yes
Town Councilman Secreto	-Yes
Town Councilman Van Kleeck	-Yes
Supervisor Quigley	-Excused

CARRIED

Motion to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Storage Tank Internal Coating Evaluation Agreement for Ulster Water Departments South Tower with KJ Consulting and Support Services in the amount of \$3,600.00 lump sum (2021-M-124)

MOTION: Councilman Kitchen

SECOND: Councilman Secreto

Town Councilman Kitchen	-Yes
Town Councilman Morrow	-Yes
Town Councilman Secreto	-Yes
Town Councilman Van Kleeck	-Yes
Supervisor Quigley	-Excused

CARRIED

MAY 6, 2021

Motion to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Agreement between the NYS Dept. of Civil Service Employee Benefits Division and the Town of Ulster concerning the Confidentiality and Security of Information (2021-M-125)

MOTION: Councilman Van Kleeck

SECOND: Councilman Secreto

Town Councilman Kitchen	-Yes
Town Councilman Morrow	-Yes
Town Councilman Secreto	-Yes
Town Councilman Van Kleeck	-Yes
Supervisor Quigley	-Excused

CARRIED

Motion to authorize the Sewer Superintendent to purchase one 2022 Ford F-750 Regular Cab (quote #31970), Diesel and one 2022 Ford F-450 XL Super Cab (quote#32008) under Onondaga Bid # ONGOV-16- 19 2022, from Van Bortel Ford (2021-M-126)

Maggiore: Two trucks are to replace current vehicles: 1. 1991 International, and 2. F-450 will replace a 2011F-450. The F750 will have switch & go to accommodate a change in waste stream, for sewer department to comply with changes with Ulster County RRA.

MOTION: Councilman Secreto

SECOND: Councilman Van Kleeck

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Town Councilman Morrow	-Yes
Town Councilman Secreto	-Yes
Town Councilman Van Kleeck	-Yes
Supervisor Quigley	-Excused

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Motion to authorize the Police Chief to purchase one 2021 Dodge Durango Pursuit Patrol Vehicle under NYS Contract #PC-69047 from Begnal Motors in the amount of \$33,956.00 (2021-M-127)

Berardi: Budgeted item to replace 2011 Ford Expedition. Order now to meet demand, hoping to be in service by end of year/early 2022.

MOTION: Councilman Van Kleeck

SECOND: Councilman Secreto

Town Councilman Kitchen	-Yes
Town Councilman Morrow	-Yes
Town Councilman Secreto	-Yes
Town Councilman Van Kleeck	-Yes
Supervisor Quigley	-Excused

CARRIED

Motion to authorize the Court Judges to hire one Part Time Court Clerk (2021-M-128)

Heather Foster: part time; non-union; \$13.50/hour; start date 5/10/2021

MOTION: Councilman Van Kleeck

SECOND: Councilman Kitchen

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Town Councilman Morrow	-Yes
Town Councilman Secreto	-Yes
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Supervisor Quigley	-Excused

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**Motion to authorize the hiring of two Seasonal Park Attendants for Post Park
(2021-M-129 and 2021-M-130)**

Thomas Harvey: non-union; \$13/hour; start date 5/1/2021; 20 hours/week

MOTION: Councilman Van Kleeck

SECOND: Councilman Kitchen

Town Councilman Kitchen	-Yes
Town Councilman Morrow	-Yes
Town Councilman Secreto	-Yes
Town Councilman Van Kleeck	-Yes
Supervisor Quigley	-Excused

CARRIED

Ryan Coffey: non-union; \$13/hour; start date 5/1/2021; 20 hours/week

MOTION: Councilman Van Kleeck

SECOND: Councilman Kitchen

Town Councilman Kitchen	-Yes
Town Councilman Morrow	-Yes
Town Councilman Secreto	-Yes
Town Councilman Van Kleeck	-Yes
Supervisor Quigley	-Excused

CARRIED

**Motion to authorize the hiring of one Seasonal Laborer for the Water Dept.
(2021-M-131)**

Christopher Ibbotson: non-union; \$13/hour; start date 6/21/21

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Town Councilman Secreto	-Yes
Town Councilman Van Kleeck	-Yes
Supervisor Quigley	-Excused

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Motion to authorize the Supervisor to close three bank accounts at Bank of Greene County and dispose of all unused checks (2021-M-132)

MOTION: Councilman Secreto

SECOND: Councilman Kitchen

Town Councilman Kitchen	-Yes
Town Councilman Morrow	-Yes
Town Councilman Secreto	-Yes
Town Councilman Van Kleeck	-Yes
Supervisor Quigley	-Excused

CARRIED

Presentation of the Annual Update Document filed with the NYS Comptroller's Office for the Town's Financial results for the year ending December 31, 2020 to be accepted at the next meeting

Presentation of 2020 Fund Balance Review in accordance with Fund Balance Policy adopted by the Town Board

MAY 6, 2021

Resolution authorizing the Town Clerk to enter into a contract for the development of a new Town Website with Net Prophet in an amount not to exceed \$4,200.00 (2021-R-133)

TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION

Website Host

Town of Ulster, Ulster County, New York

Whereas, the Town Board has previously established the need to acquire a new Website host and on November 5, 2020, authorized the Town Clerk and Councilman Van Kleeck to obtain proposals;

Whereas, three reputable proposals for Town of Ulster Website hosting were received as of April 28, 2021; and

Whereas, the lowest responsible bidder was Net Prophet, for a total upfront cost of \$ 4,200.00; yearly subscription fees estimated at \$385; no annual host fee; troubleshooting fee of \$60/hour if needed; and

Whereas, the bid has been reviewed for alignment with the needs and requirements of the town, and award of this contract is recommended.

Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Town of Ulster award this contract to the lowest responsible bidder, **Net Prophet**, owned by Mike Rice, of Kingston, New York, in the amount of \$ 4,200.00, and that the Town Supervisor and/or Town Clerk be authorized to enter into a contract with Net Prophet, on behalf of the Town of Ulster.

MOTION: Councilman Van Kleeck

SECOND: Councilman Secreto

Town Councilman Kitchen	-Yes
Town Councilman Morrow	-Yes
Town Councilman Secreto	-Yes
Town Councilman Van Kleeck	-Yes
Supervisor Quigley	-Excused

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Old Business:

Discussion on Summer Camp Registration

Councilman Secreto: Registration ongoing. May and June are (historically) busiest for signups. Minimum number of campers needed is 50.

Councilman Morrow: Set a motion to establish minimum number needed at 50.

Councilman Van Kleeck: Let's table that motion for at least another meeting.

Motion to authorize the purchase of a Gym Package for Jeanette Lane Mini Park in the amount of \$7,000.00 (2021-M-134)

Councilman Secreto: Barn from Brad's Barns, was \$11K and purchasing for \$7K. Upgrading mini parks. Halcyon Park is next. Same material as discussed, covered with hard vinyl.

MOTION: Councilman Van Kleeck

SECOND: Councilman Secreto

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Town Councilman Morrow	-Yes
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Town Councilman Van Kleeck	-Yes
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Motion to schedule a Public Hearing for Local Law ___ of 2021: A Local Law Repealing Local Law of 1999 – “Taxicab Local Law of the Town of Ulster, NY” for Thursday, June 3, 2021 at 7:10 PM (2021-M-135)

MOTION: Councilman Secreto

SECOND: Councilman Kitchen

Town Councilman Kitchen	-Yes
Town Councilman Morrow	-Yes
Town Councilman Secreto	-Yes
Town Councilman Van Kleeck	-Yes
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PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Regis Obijiski: To Councilman Morrow: Is there anything that came out of the Glenerie meeting regarding Esopus Creek? Local supervisors stated they were meeting with DEP regarding release of turbid waters.

Councilman Morrow: Was not at the meeting, but was briefed. Understanding is that DEP higher ups did not know anything about these concerns until recently. Recent press conference this week that informed people about what is going on: County Executive, Senator Hinchey present. – moving ahead.

Councilman Van Kleeck: Heard that our supervisor, Saugerties, and Kingston mayor coming together/strong presence had an impact.

Laura Hartmann – Saw coverage of the press conference on Spectrum news.

2. Chief Berardi: Wants to publicly thank Frank Petramale/highway department and Vincent Maggiore/sewer department for main sewer line problem that has been an ongoing problem in police department.
3. Clark Richters, City of Kingston
Public Access - Has involvement in Public Access television and can share video on Esopus Creek, etc.

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Kia – Sightings of eagle in the area. Board can put brakes while waiting on DEC.

Taxicab Law – Thank you for introducing this new law to eliminate the taxicab law.

4. Laura Hartmann: Regarding eagles at Kia – hope the nest is protected. Awarding a PILOT without protecting the eagles is a miscarriage of environmental justice.

Councilman Morrow: There are state and federal protections of eagles.

MOTION to adjourn: 8:12 pm (2021-M-136)

MOTION: Councilman Secreto

SECOND: Councilman Van Kleeck

Town Councilman Kitchen	-Yes
Town Councilman Morrow	-Yes
Town Councilman Secreto	-Yes
Town Councilman Van Kleeck	-Yes
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Respectfully Submitted by Suzanne Reavy
Ulster Town Clerk