

TOWN OF ULSTER TOWN BOARD MEETINGS (17)

OCTOBER 1, 2020

~ **PUBLIC HEARING 7:10 pm: 2021 Budget for the East Kingston Fire Company**

~ **PUBLIC HEARING 7:15 pm: Special Use Permit for the Placement of a Mobile Home Outside of a Mobile Home Park – Akram Aldhari**

CALLED TO ORDER BY SUPERVISOR QUIGLEY, CHAIRMAN at 7:07 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

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

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

ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO AGENDA – None

PUBLIC DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEMS – None

COMMUNICATIONS –

1. Town Clerk reads notice from Water Department regarding hydrant flushing schedule for the month of October.
2. Supervisor received a letter from an East Kingston resident asking what Halloween restrictions are in place. Town Board will discuss during agenda.

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PUBLIC HEARING: 2021 Budget for the East Kingston Fire Company

MOTION to Open Public Hearing (7:10 pm) (2020-M-248)

MOTION: Councilman Kitchen

SECOND: Councilman Morrow

Town Councilman Kitchen

Town Councilman Morrow

Town Councilman Secreto

Town Councilman Van Kleeck

Supervisor Quigley

CARRIED

--NO COMMENTS --

MOTION to Close Public Hearing (7:11 pm) (2020-M-249)

MOTION: Councilman Kitchen

SECOND: Councilman Morrow

Town Councilman Kitchen

Town Councilman Morrow

Town Councilman Secreto

Town Councilman Van Kleeck

Supervisor Quigley

CARRIED

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New Business:

Motion authorizing the Supervisor to sign the Town's MVP Health Insurance Contract for the period December 1, 2020 to November 30, 2021 (2020-M-250)

Supervisor: Initial quotes high. Revised quotes obtained. Transfer alternative health care plan from CDPHP to MVP. Town funding 100% of the deductible.

Councilman Morrow: Commends Supervisor for providing savings for the Town.

MOTION: Councilman Secreto
SECOND: Councilman Morrow

Town Councilman Kitchen
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Supervisor Quigley

CARRIED

Motion authorizing the Supervisor to sign the Health Reimbursement Arrangement with MVP (2020-M-251)

Supervisor: High deductible funded by the Town.

MOTION: Councilman Morrow
SECOND: Councilman Secreto

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CARRIED

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Motion to authorize the Supervisor to approve the 2021 TOU renewal for Guardian Dental and Vision (2020-M-252)

Supervisor: Clear that zero premium increases for 2021.

MOTION: Councilman Secreto
SECOND: Councilman Kitchen

Town Councilman Kitchen
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Town Councilman Secreto
Town Councilman Van Kleeck
Supervisor Quigley

CARRIED

Presentation of 2021 Tentative Town Budget (2020-M-253)

Supervisor: Statute requirement for Town Clerk presents to Town Board official tentative budget. Distributed to emails and mailboxes. Tonight will be posted to Town Website.

MOTION: Councilman Secreto
SECOND: Councilman Kitchen

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Discussion of 2021 Budget Process

PROCESS:

Supervisor Suggests the Following: Take the next two weeks to review this budget and prepare changes to be reviewed at the next meeting for acceptance as preliminary budget. Next meeting will call for a public hearing at the 11/5 workshop meeting; return at 11/19 Town Board meeting to vote and adopt final budget.

Councilman Kitchen: Due to COVID, how will state funding affect us?

Supervisor: State funding will be cut approximately 20%, which budget reflects 20% decrease AIM funding. Should CHIPS funding decrease, we will reduce accordingly. Budget presented tonight is in full compliance with the tax cap and expects no (future) issues with tax cap compliance.

Petramale: Already in 2020, lost over \$40k in CHIPS funding.

Supervisor: We expect a reduced AIM check this December. In consultation with County finance officer, the current tax projections pre-COVID was \$129M; projecting \$121M for 2021. Sales taxes have returned to some degree. Budget reflects a 7% reduction in sales tax. Supervisor distributed budget summaries have been distributed to town councilmen.

MOTION to Accept Budget Process (2020-M-254)

MOTION: Councilman Kitchen

SECOND: Councilman Secreto

Town Councilman Kitchen
Town Councilman Morrow
Town Councilman Secreto
Town Councilman Van Kleeck
Supervisor Quigley

CARRIED

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Presentation of Resolution approving Preliminary Budget

For next meeting

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF ULSTER
Resolution Approving Preliminary Budget

The Town Board of the Town of Ulster, duly convened in regular session, does hereby resolve as follows:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of section 106 of the Town Law, and other applicable provisions of law, the annexed detailed statement of estimated expenditures and revenues be and the same hereby is approved and adopted as the preliminary budget of the Town of Ulster for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2021. Such preliminary budget shall be filed forthwith in the office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Ulster, where it shall be available for public inspection.

SECTION 2. This resolution shall take effect as of October 14, 2020.

Discussion on Halloween Events 2020 in the Town of Ulster

MOTION to Set an 8:00 pm Halloween Curfew for all Unaccompanied Minors (2020-M-255)

[no restrictions/normal trick or treat routine. Information placed on Town Website]

MOTION: Councilman Morrow

SECOND: Councilman Secreto

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Supervisor Quigley

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**PUBLIC HEARING: Special Use Permit for the Placement of a Mobile Home
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MOTION to Open Public Hearing (7:21 pm) (2020-M-256)

MOTION: Councilman Morrow

SECOND: Councilman Secreto

Town Councilman Kitchen

Town Councilman Morrow

Town Councilman Secreto

Town Councilman Van Kleeck

Supervisor Quigley

CARRIED

--NO COMMENTS --

MOTION to Close Public Hearing (7:22 pm) (2020-M-257)

MOTION: Councilman Morrow

SECOND: Councilman Secreto

Town Councilman Kitchen

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Town Councilman Van Kleeck

Supervisor Quigley

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Kovacs: Resolution at next meeting granting special use permit.

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PUBLIC COMMENT -

1. Councilman Van Kleeck: Recently had a physical condition and medical emergency at his home. Grateful to live in this town and to have received the response from paid and volunteer EMS with the care and follow up for him and his wife. They are blessed and he thanks everyone involved.

MOTION to adjourn: 7:23 pm (2020-M-258)

MOTION: Councilman Morrow

SECOND: Councilman Kitchen

Town Councilman Kitchen

Town Councilman Morrow

Town Councilman Secreto

Town Councilman Van Kleeck

Supervisor Quigley

CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted by Suzanne Reavy
Ulster Town Clerk