

TOWN OF MARCELLUS
TOWN BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

February 23, 2017

A Town Board Workshop Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Marcellus, County of Onondaga, State of New York was held on Thursday, February 23, 2017, in the Town Hall, 24 East Main Street, Marcellus, New York. Those present were:

Karen R. Pollard, Supervisor
Kevin F. O’Hara, Councilor
John Cusick, Councilor
Chris Hunt, Councilor
Laurie Stevens, Councilor

Also present: Ed Murphy, President of the Marcellus Fire Department; Jim Gascon, Town Attorney; Phil Coccia, Recreation Director; Don MacLachlan, Highway Superintendent; Karen Cotter, Susan Dennis, Deputy Town Clerk and Sandy Taylor, Town Clerk.

Supervisor Pollard opened the meeting at 5:30 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Fire Department: Ed Murphy, President of the Marcellus Fire Department, spoke to the board about making things more financially stable at the Fire Department. Mr. Murphy would like more communication between the Fire Department and the Town Board. Supervisor Pollard reminded him that Councilor Kevin O’Hara is the liaison between the Fire Department and the Town Board. Councilor O’Hara was planning on attending the monthly meeting for the Fire Department later on tonight.

Abstract of Audited Vouchers: The abstract of Audited Vouchers was given to the Board Members as submitted by the Town Clerk, Abstract #2 as of February 22, 2017, Claim #'s 145252 – 145284.

| | <u>Expenses</u> |
|-------------------|-----------------|
| General Fund | \$14,804.32 |
| Part Town General | 4,089.07 |
| Town Wide Highway | 6,117.04 |
| Trust & Agency | <u>3,097.08</u> |
| Total | \$28,107.51 |

Councilor Hunt made a motion seconded by Councilor Stevens to approve the Audited Voucher report and to also include Voucher #145204 to the Marcellus Fire Department in the amount of \$98,480.10. (Voucher #145204 was held from the Feb. 13, 2017 meeting, giving the Board Members time to review the financials from the Fire Department).

Ayes – Pollard, Stevens, Hunt, O’Hara and Cusick

Carried

Accept Planning Board Resignation: Councilor Stevens made a motion seconded by Councilor Cusick to accept, with regret, the resignation of Planning Board and Zoning Board member Robert Oliver. He had served on the boards for many years and will be missed.

Ayes – Pollard, Stevens, Hunt, O’Hara and Cusick Carried

Appointment to Planning Board: Councilor O’Hara made a motion seconded by Councilor Stevens to appoint Scott Stearns to the Planning Board for a term ending December 31, 2022. He will be filling the vacancy of Robert Oliver.

Ayes – Pollard, Stevens, Hunt, O’Hara and Cusick Carried

Councilor Stevens made a motion seconded by Councilor Cusick to appoint Mark Taylor to the Planning Board for a term ending December 31, 2018. He will be filling the vacancy of Robert Ciota, who resigned effective December 31, 2016.

Ayes – Pollard, Stevens, Hunt, O’Hara and Cusick Carried

Appointment to Zoning Board of Appeals: Councilor Stevens made a motion seconded by Councilor Cusick to appoint Ron Schneider and Kathleen Carroll to the Zoning Board. Their terms are as follows:

Kathleen Carroll for a term ending December 31, 2019. She will be filling the vacancy of Robert Ciota.

Ron Schneider for a term ending December 31, 2020. He will be filling the vacancy of Robert Oliver.

All the appointments were based on the recommendations of Jerry Wickett, Chris Christensen and Karen Cotter.

Ayes – Pollard, Stevens, Hunt, O’Hara and Cusick Carried

Highway Garage – SAM Grant (Added Item): Supervisor Pollard received an e-mail regarding the SAM (State and Municipal Capital Program) grant for the Highway Garage addition. Councilor Stevens made a motion seconded by Councilor Cusick to authorize Supervisor Pollard to sign the State Environmental Quality Review Type 11 Action Determination form. The form was reviewed by the Attorney.

Ayes – Pollard, Stevens, Hunt, O’Hara and Cusick Carried

Street Lighting – (Added Item): Supervisor Pollard and Councilor Cusick met with a representative from NYSEG regarding the Outdoor Lighting account to be moved to the Town of Marcellus Street Lighting account and switch the lighting to Led bulbs. After some discussion, Councilor Cusick made a motion seconded by Councilor O’Hara to authorize Supervisor Pollard to contact NYSEG and move the Outdoor Lighting account to the Street Lighting account.

Ayes – Pollard, Stevens, Hunt, O’Hara and Cusick Carried

Adjourn to Work Session: Councilor O'Hara made a motion seconded by Councilor Cusick to adjourn the Business Session of the meeting and go into the Workshop Session at 6:10 pm.

Ayes – Pollard, Stevens, Hunt, O'Hara and Cusick

Carried

WORKSHOP SESSION:

Don MacLachlan, Highway Superintendent, is asking the Board about auctioning off a 1997 International to buy a 2018 Western Star. There is money in a truck reserve account for this purchase. After some discussion, it was decided that Jim Gascon, Town Attorney, will draft up a permissive referendum to be put on the agenda for the March 13, 2017 meeting.

Don MacLachlan, Highway Superintendent, stated that Ryan Riefler from Marcellus Schools approached him about helping do some paving during the April school break. Jim Gascon, Town Attorney, stated that the school needs to send the Board an Intermunicipal Agreement for the Town Board and attorney to review.

Discussion Agenda

Items from the Board

Supervisor Pollard stated that Trash Days, an e-waste day and shred day will be on the agenda for the March meeting.

Items from the Floor

Phil Coccia, Recreation Director, has been talking with the School regarding the Summer Programs. He has a meeting on March 1 to find out what space will be available for the summer programs.

Adjourn: Councilor Hunt made a motion seconded by Councilor Cusick to adjourn the Workshop Session at 6:25 pm.

Ayes – Pollard, Stevens, Hunt, O'Hara and Cusick

Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Taylor, Town Clerk