

WEST SENECA COMMUNITY CENTER
1300 Union Road
West Seneca, NY 14224

TOWN BOARD PROCEEDINGS
Minutes #2019-13
July 1, 2019

Supervisor Sheila M. Meegan called the meeting to order at 3:00 P.M. with 30 seconds of silent prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Chief Denz.

ROLL CALL: Present - Sheila M. Meegan Supervisor
Eugene P. Hart Councilman
William P. Hanley, Jr. Councilman

Absent - None

Supervisor Meegan read the Fire Prevention Code instructing the public where to exit in case of a fire or an emergency.

The meeting was dedicated to the memory of Nancy Marie Quinn.

13-A MINUTES TO BE APPROVED

- Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to approve Minutes #2019-12 of June 17, 2019.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

13-B PUBLIC COMMENTS ON COMMUNICATIONS

13-C COMMUNICATIONS

1. Town Attorney re Pay rate increase for Diane Webber

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to change the rate of pay for Diane Webber to \$18 per hour effective July 14, 2019 and authorize the Supervisor to complete and sign the necessary forms for Erie County Personnel.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

2. Town Attorney re Pay rate increase for Joli Messinger

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hart, to change the rate of pay for Joli Messinger to \$14 per hour effective July 14, 2019 and authorize the Supervisor to complete and sign the necessary forms for Erie County Personnel.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

13-C COMMUNICATIONS

3. Highway Sup't. re Appointment of John Cellino as Highway Heavy Motor Equipment Operator

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hart, to terminate John Cellino as Highway Laborer and appoint him Highway Heavy Motor Equipment Operator, Group 5, Step 5, at a rate of \$31.10 per hour as per the Blue Collar Contract effective June 24, 2019 and authorize the Supervisor to complete and sign the necessary forms for Erie County Personnel.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

4. Chief Denz re Purchase of replacement vests

mandate of OSHA and the OJP BPV grant program, noting the purchase is to be made at state bid pricing through Federal Eastern International and funds have been allocated in the 2019 budget line 01312000.50407; and further, noting the federal government, through stipulations of the OJP BPV program, will reimburse the town in the amount of \$4,725.50 which is half the cost of the purchase.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

5. Chief Denz re Dispatch radio service contract

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hart, to approve the 2019 – 2020 Avtec Service Contract for the department's dispatch radio console in the amount of \$7,200, noting funds have been allocated in the 2019 budget line 01312000.50211 and the contract will be managed by FM Communications, Inc., the sole source provider of the Avtec radio system.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

6. Code Enforcement Officer re Queen of Heaven Carnival

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to acknowledge and allow the following at the Queen of Heaven Carnival on July 12th and July 13th:

1. Last call for purchase of alcohol will take place at 11:30 P.M.
2. Music will terminate at 12:00 A.M. (midnight)
3. Premises will be vacated between 12:00 A.M. and 12:30 A.M.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

13-C COMMUNICATIONS

7. Sr. Recreation Therapist of Sr. Services re Appointment of Valerie Halady as fitness instructor

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hart, to appoint Valerie Halady as Fitness Instructor for the fitness center at the West Seneca Senior Center at a rate of \$15 per hour effective July 1, 2019 and authorize the Supervisor to complete and sign the necessary forms for Erie County Personnel.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried
8. Sr. Recreation Therapist of Sr. Services re Status change for Carol Kennedy to part-time seasonal

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hart, to change the status of part-time food service worker Carol Kennedy to part-time seasonal effective July 15 – August 9, 2019 and authorize the Supervisor to complete and sign the necessary forms for Erie County Personnel.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried
9. Sr. Recreation Therapist of Sr. Services re Status change for Lee Ann Piniewski to part-time seasonal

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hart, to change the status of part-time food service worker Lee Ann Piniewski to part-time seasonal effective July 1 – 12, 2019 and authorize the Supervisor to complete and sign the necessary forms for Erie County Personnel.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried
10. Recreation Supervisor re Resignation of Carolynn Steffens

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to accept the resignation of part-time lifeguard Carolynn Steffens effective July 2, 2019 and authorize the Supervisor to complete and sign the necessary forms for Erie County Personnel.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried
11. Recreation Supervisor re Resignation of Georgia Sherer

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to accept the resignation of part-time recreation attendant Georgia Sherer effective July 2, 2019 and authorize the Supervisor to complete and sign the necessary forms for Erie County Personnel.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

13-C COMMUNICATIONS

12. Recreation Supervisor re Southtowns Radiology – use of Sunshine Park
- Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to authorize the Supervisor to execute the necessary documents to enter into an agreement with the insured Southtowns Radiology Assoc LLC, Pinnacle Imaging Inc for use of a diamond at Sunshine Park on September 8, 2019.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

13. Recreation Supervisor re Appointment of Brooke Hoogle as part-time lifeguard
- Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to appoint Brooke Hoogle as part-time lifeguard at a rate of \$12 per hour effective July 2, 2019 and change her status to part-time seasonal effective July 2 – September 1, 2019 contingent upon obtaining certifications no later than July 2, 2019 and attending all mandatory orientations and training classes, noting lifeguards will be paid from Salary of Laborers – part-time Account 01718000.50149 and authorize the Supervisor to complete and sign the necessary forms for Erie County Personnel.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

14. Chief Denz re Status change for Gerald Mazurkiewicz to part-time seasonal
- Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hart, to change the status of part-time Public Safety Dispatcher Gerald Mazurkiewicz to part-time seasonal effective July 1 – 31, 2019 and authorize the Supervisor to complete and sign the necessary forms for Erie County Personnel.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

13-D APPROVAL OF WARRANT

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hart, to approve the vouchers submitted for audit, chargeable to the respective funds as follows: General Fund - \$378,423.16; Highway Fund - \$261,388.95; Sewer Fund - \$5646.10; Gas Conversion - \$42.60; Electric Lighting - \$643.69; Capital Fund - \$145,806.00 (vouchers 4066 - 5941)

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

ISSUES OF THE PUBLIC

- Mike Zak of Alleyway Bistro stated he was advised by a Code Enforcement Officer the banner signs advertising his business are not permitted and asked if something could be done to allow these types of signs. Code Enforcement Officer Jeffrey Baksa stated under the new sign ordinance banner signs are not permitted within the town, and by law, the Town Board cannot overturn the ordinance.
- A resident questioned/commented on the following:
 - ✓ Agenda items #1 & #2 – Current rate of pay for Diane Webber and Joli Messinger - Councilman Hanley advised Diane Webber's current rate is \$16 and Joli Messinger's current rate is \$12.
 - ✓ Agenda item #3 – Is the position of Heavy Motor Equipment Operator a new position – Supervisor Meegan advised this is not a new position; it is a promotion due to a retirement.
 - ✓ Agenda item #4 - Purchase of vests – Chief Denz advised OSHA regulations mandate vests are replaced every five years and this is a recurrent cost that is budgeted every year.
 - ✓ Agenda item #12 - Cost for use of Sunshine Park diamond – Recreation Supervisor Lauren Masset advised the cost is \$40.
 - ✓ There is a broken garbage truck in the Sanitation Department that requires sanitation employees to lift totes; also expressed concern for safety of employees standing on the back of the rubbish truck - Supervisor Meegan suggested the resident contact Highway Sup't. Matthew English.
 - ✓ Date for presentation on repairs at the Burchfield Nature & Art Center - Supervisor Meegan advised the presentation will be at the July 15th meeting at 7 P.M.
- A resident commented on residents that habitually overflow their garbage totes and expressed concern that it will attract rodents; suggested Highway Sup't. Matthew English have the sanitation drivers inform the residents.

PRESENTATION OF COMMUNICATIONS BY BOARD MEMBERS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

CHIEF DENZ

- Reminder that extra patrols will be out to assist with Erie County's stop DWI efforts on the July 4th weekend

SENIOR RECREATION THERAPIST OF SENIOR SERVICES

- July 4th picnic on Wednesday; Christmas in July to be held July 25th
- Erie County will be handing out Farmers Market coupons July 19th, 10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

TOWN ENGINEER STEVEN TANNER

- Bid opening for animal shelter improvements is delayed until July 9th; clarifications were required after the pre-bid walk through

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COUNCILMAN HART

- West Seneca Art Society is requesting to hold an art show in conjunction with the Taste of West Seneca & PBA Car Show on September 1st

SUPERVISOR MEEGAN

- Supervisor Meegan presented Chief Denz with a certificate in recognition of his 30 years of service in the West Seneca Police Department.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hart, to adjourn the meeting at 3:25 P.M.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

JACQUELINE A FELSER, TOWN CLERK