

REGULAR MEETING OF THE VESTAL TOWN BOARD
August 26, 2020

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Vestal, County of Broome and the State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 605 Vestal Parkway West, Vestal, NY on August 26, 2020.

TOWN BOARD PRESENT:

Supervisor John Schaffer
Councilwoman Patty Fitzgerald
Councilwoman Sue Messina
Councilman John Fletcher
Councilman Jason Ellis

ALSO ATTENDING: Town Attorney David Berger, Director of Human Resources Nancy Olmstead and Town Clerk Debra Wallace.

Supervisor Schaffer called the Regular Meeting to order at **6:00 PM**, welcomed everyone and asked that all present join in the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Councilwoman Messina, seconded by Councilman Fletcher, the following was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Fitzgerald, Messina, Fletcher, Ellis, Schaffer
 Nays 0



Resolved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on August 12, 2020 are approved.

BID OPENINGS

Sealed bids for Streambank Rehabilitation Projects were received by the Town Clerk and were publicly opened and read at 2:00 pm on August 13, 2020 with the results forwarded to the Town Engineer for recommendations.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

RESOLUTIONS & MOTIONS

Payment for Accumulated Vacation & Sick Time

R136-20 On a motion by Councilman Fletcher, seconded by Councilman Ellis, the following was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Fitzgerald, Messina, Fletcher, Ellis, Schaffer
 Nays 0

Resolved to authorize payment to Acting Highway Superintendent Craig Hiller for hours of vacation accumulated while he was employed as Deputy Highway Superintendent. Mr. Hiller had,

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H0317.27100 (2017 Parks Improvements) and to transfer the related funding from H0318.5031 (Interfund Transfers) to H0317.27100.

Transfer of Funds for Gear Washer for Fire Department

R143-20 Authorize the transfer of funds from line F3410.8404 Workman's Compensation in the amount of \$9,000.00 and line F3410.4190 gasoline in the amount of \$2,500.00 to line F3410.2100 Operational Fire Equipment to cover the expenses of the new Gear Washer. This is to go in line with the PERMA Mini Grant that the Fire Department was awarded.

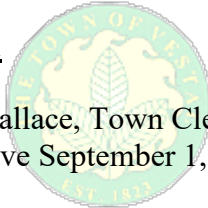
PERSONNEL (FLETCHER/Fitzgerald)

Flu & Pneumonia Clinic October 21, 2020

R144-20 Authorize Nancy Olmstead, Director of Human Resources to schedule an on-site flu and pneumonia vaccine clinic on October 21, 2020 from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM at Town Hall. Eligible participants are Town employees, pre-Medicare eligible retirees with Town health insurance benefits and adult dependents who participate in the Town health insurance program. The clinic is to be provided by Lourdes Hospital at a rate of \$25 per flu vaccine and \$112 per pneumonia vaccines. Charges for eligible participants will be paid from the health insurance fund.

Hiring of Ann Kachmar for Tax Season

R145-20 Authorization for Debra Wallace, Town Clerk to hire Ann Kachmar as a part time Clerk at the rate of \$11.80 per hour effective September 1, 2020 to work as needed for tax collection purposes.



Appointing of Shimer, Calvasina and Kilmer to Vacant Positions in Water Department

R146-20 Authorization for Scott Groats, Water/Wastewater Superintendent to appoint Scott Shimer to the vacant position of Water Meter Reader and Repair Person effective August 29, 2020 at the Operating Engineer rate of \$25.20/hour. This is a civil service competitive position and Mr. Shimer's appointment will be provisional.

Authorization for Scott Groats, Water/Wastewater Superintendent to appoint David Calvasina to the vacant position of Sewer Maintenance Worker effective August 29, 2020 at the Operating Engineer rate of \$26.46/hour. This is a civil service noncompetitive position.

Authorization for Scott Groats, Water/Wastewater Superintendent to appoint David Kilmer to the vacant position of Sewer Maintenance Worker effective August 29, 2020 at the Operating Engineer rate of \$26.46/hour. This is a civil service noncompetitive position.

PLANNING & ZONING (FITZGERALD/Messina)

PUBLIC SAFETY (MESSINA/Fletcher)

ADMINISTRATION (ELLIS/Fletcher)

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COMMITTEE CHAIR COMMENTS AND UPDATES

RECEIVE AND FILE

- Warrants: 2020-33, 33C, 33E, 34, 34E
- Fire Advisory Board Minutes – July 20, 2020
- Comptroller Report – July 2020
- 57 Letters for a Walkway to SUNY

PETITIONS & PROTESTS

SUPERVISOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

No yard waste pickup. Call your garbage company. Grass Clippings, dead flowers and garden plants will not be picked up. Tree and brush only. Brush must be in a pile and not in the street. If you need the day they are coming in your neighborhood, call Craig Hiller at the Highway Department.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Mulvay to Fill Unexpired Term on Planning Board

R147-20 On a motion by Councilman Ellis, seconded by Councilman Fletcher, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Fitzgerald, Messina, Fletcher, Ellis, Schaffer
Nays 0



Resolved to appoint Timothy Mulvay to fill the unexpired term of Edward Zimmer on the Planning Board. Such appointment to be effective August 27, 2020. The term will expire July 7, 2021.

Clarification on Proposed Sign Law

Councilwoman Messina had a question about the proposed Sign Law regarding when political signs would be allowed to be set up. Supervisor Schaffer stated that signs will be allowed 30 days prior to the November 3rd General Election and removed 3 days after. Public Hearing on proposed Sign Law will be September 16th, 2020.

OLD BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Councilman Fletcher, seconded by Councilwoman Fitzgerald, the meeting was **adjourned at 6:11 pm**. Carried unanimously.

Approved by _____
Debra Wallace, Town Clerk