

Regular Meeting of the Vestal Town Board September 13, 2017

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 September 13, 2017.

TOWN BOARD PRESENT:

Supervisor Schaffer
Councilman Majewski
Councilwoman Messina
Councilwoman Agneshwar

ABSENT: Councilwoman Fitzgerald

ALSO ATTENDING: Town Attorney David Berger, Town Clerk Emil Bielecki, 1st Deputy Town Clerk Kathie Young, Police Chief John Butler, and approximately 20 members of the general public.

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

Introduction Of
COREY J. SHIRLEY – RECENTLY PROMOTED TO POLICE SERGEANT
MICHELLE TUETKIN - NEWLY APPOINTED POLICE OFFICER
DANIEL BARTA - NEWLY APPOINTED POLICE OFFICER

Supervisor Schaffer called on Police Chief John Butler to introduce the 3 police officers being recognized.

Police Chief Butler noted that these 3 officers represent the high quality of the Vestal Police Department. Each officer brings unique skills to the Department. Officer Daniel Barta, whose father died in the line of duty in 1995, has a 4 year degree in psychology and we are proud to have him. Officer Michelle Tuetkin has a degree in Business Management and received the highest score on the entrance exam. She used her own resources to attend the Police Academy. Sergeant Corey Shirley has been on the job for 17 years and went through the rigorous promotion process with outstanding evaluations.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion of Councilman Majewski, seconded by Councilwoman Messina, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Majewski, Agneshwar, Messina, Schaffer
 Nays 0 Absent 1 Fitzgerald

Resolved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on August 23, 2017 are approved.

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PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Seeing or hearing no one wishing to speak the Supervisor closed the Privilege of the Floor.

RESOLUTIONS & MOTIONS

School Resource Officer (SRO) Services

R184-17 On a motion of Councilman Majewski, seconded by Councilwoman Agneshwar, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Majewski, Agneshwar, Messina, Schaffer
Nays 0 Absent 1 Fitzgerald

Resolved to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign an agreement with the Vestal School District for **School Resource Officer (SRO)** services for the period September 2017 – June 2018.

George Bezama - Planning Board Alternate

Councilwoman Agneshwar expressed concern that this candidate lacks knowledge of Vestal given his brief residency in the Town. The Planning Board makes very serious decisions and knowledge of the Town is important.

Councilman Majewski stated that Mr. Bezama's solid resume reflects his competency. We are an aging town and need to start getting younger people involved in the decision making. Councilwoman Messina agreed.

R185-17 On a motion of Councilman Majewski, seconded by Councilwoman Messina, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Majewski, Messina, Schaffer
Nays 1 Agneshwar
Absent 1 Fitzgerald

Resolved to appoint **George Bezama** to the Planning Board as an alternate member effective September 18, 2017. This term is to expire July 7, 2022.

Tower 32-4 Project Advertise

R186-17 On a motion of Councilman Majewski, seconded by Councilwoman Messina, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Majewski, Agneshwar, Messina, Schaffer
Nays 0 Absent 1 Fitzgerald

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Resolved by the Board of Fire Commissioners authorizing the Town Attorney to advertise on Wednesday, October 4, 2017 for bids on the **Tower 32-4 Project** to be opened on October 31, 2017 at 2 PM in the Town Clerk's office.

CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion of Councilwoman Agneshwar, seconded by Councilman Majewski, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Majewski, Agneshwar, Messina, Schaffer
Nays 0 Absent 1 Fitzgerald

Resolved the **Consent Agenda** is approved as follows:

PUBLIC WORKS: Fitzgerald/Majewski

Award the Bid for Fluoride Equipment

R187-17 Authorization for the Town Attorney to draw the necessary paperwork awarding the bid for Fluoride Equipment to the low bidder, **J.C. Smith Inc.** of Syracuse, in the amount of \$38,282.40. This amount reflects the bid plus additional spare equipment on the individual item bid approved by NYSDOIH under the \$50,000.00 grant funds.

FINANCE: Agneshwar/Fitzgerald

Receive and File:

- **Warrant Reports:** 2017-34, 2017-34E, 2017-35, 2017-36, 2017-36E
- **Town Clerk Monthly Report:** August 2017 - Total Local Shares Remitted-\$5,838.93

PERSONNEL: Fitzgerald/Agneshwar

On-Site Flu and Pneumonia Vaccine Clinic

R188-17 Authorization for the Director of Human Resources Nancy Olmstead to schedule an **on-site flu and pneumonia vaccine clinic** on Tuesday, September 26, 2017 from 2:00 to 4:00 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 \$85 per pneumonia vaccine. Charges for eligible participants will be paid from the health insurance fund.

PUBLIC SAFETY: Majewski/Messina

Firefighter 5K Challenge

R189-17 Approval from the Board of Fire Commissioners for Station #1's

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Firefighter 5K Challenge to be held at the Rail Trail on Sunday, October 1, 2017 from 11 AM to 2 PM. Participating membership coverage time will be from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM and a sign in sheet will be used to track personnel at this event.

RECEIVE AND FILE:

- September 1, 2017: 30-day Advance Notice of a **Liquor License Application** for Gita Dholakiya, 3801 Vestal Parkway East.
- September 6, 2017: **Notice of Proposed Amendments to the Zoning Code of the Village of Johnson City**, Town of Union, concerning the keeping of chickens.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

SUPERVISOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- On Saturday, September 23, we are co-sponsoring the first **Fall Festivous** on the Rail Trail. This is a family friendly event. It runs from 10 AM – 3 PM. We hope you and your family can join us!
- The Town's scheduled brush pick-up has ended for the season and residents should contact the Highway Department for special situations. Leaf pickup starts at the end of October and will continue until all are picked or snowfall. Rake your leaves to the curb but not in the street/road and our crews will be around to pick them up as soon as possible. If you cannot wait for pick up, you may bring your leaves to the Highway Department, 1801 Glenwood Rd, Mon-Fri 7 am to 3 pm. Stop in the Main Office first to check in. Please do not put out sticks or other foreign objects because they can break down the machines.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion of Councilman Majewski, seconded by Councilwoman Agneshwar, **the meeting was adjourned at 6:17pm.** Carried unanimously.

Approved by _____
Emil J. Bielecki, Town Clerk