

Regular Meeting of the Vestal Town Board May 22, 2019

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 May 22, 2019.

TOWN BOARD PRESENT:

**Supervisor John Schaffer
Councilman Fran Majewski
Councilwoman Patty Fitzgerald
Councilwoman Sue Messina
Councilman John Fletcher**

ALSO ATTENDING: Town Attorney David Berger, Town Clerk Emil Bielecki, and 8 members of the general public.

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 of Councilwoman Messina, seconded by Councilman Fletcher, the following resolution was

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

Resolved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Vestal Town Board on **May 8, 2019** are approved.

BID OPENINGS

Highway Materials

The **bids for Highway Materials** were opened by the Town Clerk on May 14, 2019 with the results forwarded to the Highway Superintendent for review and recommendations.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

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

RESOLUTIONS & MOTIONS

Renewal the Town's Municipal Insurance with NYMIR

R088-19 On a motion of Councilwoman Messina, seconded by Councilman Majewski the following resolution was

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

Resolved to renew the Town's Municipal Insurance with the **New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal (NYMIR)** for the term of 5/29/19 thru 5/29/20. The servicing agent is Smith Brothers Insurance, LLC (formerly The Partners Insurance Agency).

Hire Kenneth G. Frommer for Appraisal of 105 W. Sheedy Road

R089-19 On a motion of Councilman Majewski, seconded by Councilwoman Fitzgerald, the following resolution was

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

Resolved to authorize the Town Attorney to hire **Kenneth G. Frommer** to appraise the property located at 105 W. Sheedy Road (Vestal Park Rehabilitation and Nursing Center), tax map parcel 189.12-1-41.22, at a cost of \$11,500.00 to assist the Town in the current litigation.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

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

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

PUBLIC WORKS: Fitzgerald/Fletcher

Advertise for Rano Tank Rehabilitation and Repainting

R090-19 Authorization to advertise on May 23, 2019 for **Rano Tank Rehabilitation and Repainting** with opening June 10, 2019 at 2:00 PM – this will be advertised by the engineering company working with the Water/Wastewater Department.

Hired Seasonal Laborers for Parks Department

R091-19 Authorization for Parks Superintendent to hire **seasonal Laborers** as follows:

- **Jacob Spellane**, effective May 13, 2019 at the rate of \$11.10 per hour.
- **Zachary Cook**, effective May 16, 2019 at the rate of \$11.10 per hour.
- **Justin Groats**, effective as soon as possible at the rate of \$11.10 per hour.
- **Matthew Thrasher**, effective as soon as possible at the rate of \$11.10 per hour.
- **Trevor Gerdus**, effective as soon as possible at the rate of \$11.10 per hour.

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FINANCE: Messina/Majewski

Receive and File

- **Warrant Reports:** 2019-19, 2019-19B, 2019-19C, 2019-19E, 2019-20, 2019-20B, 2019-20E

PUBLIC SAFETY: Messina/Fletcher

Police to Purchase Evidence Tracking System

R092-19 Authorization for the Vestal Police to purchase and install a new evidence tracking system (the BEAST) from the sole provider, **Porter Lee Corporation**, in the total amount of \$9,186.46 to be paid from line A3120-4389 (Miscellaneous Grant line). The Town Board has accepted the justification from the Police Chief and the manufacturer for selecting this sole source provider.

Fred Singer Training Site Rental

R093-19 Approval for the Vestal Fire Department to accept the following Fire Departments for usage of the ***Fred Singer Training Site*** at a cost of \$200 per day:

- Towanda, Fire Department – May 2, 2019
- Chenango Bridge Fire Company – May 11, 2019
- Monroe Hose Fire Company – June 2, 2019

ADMINISTRATION: Fitzgerald/Messina

Hire Seasonal Employees for Recreation Department

R094-19 Approval for Recreation Planner Sue Jastran to hire **Playground and Tennis Instructors** as listed in her memo to the Town Board dated May 16, 2019.

Grants Accepted for Vestal Museum Programming

R095-19 Approval for the Vestal Museum Director to accept the following grants:

- \$1,850 from **Chenango County Arts Council** for the Second Saturday music night.
- \$900 from the **Community Foundation of South Central NY** for the Third Annual Haudenosaunee Festival.

Hire Dog Control Assistant

R096-19 Approval for **Harold Vincent Griggs III** to provide dog control assistance when the Dog Control Officer is not available at the rate of \$40.00 per

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call. A Town vehicle, whenever available, will be used for responding to the call-outs.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

COMMITTEE CHAIR COMMENTS AND UPDATES

Councilwoman Fitzgerald reminded the public that hydrant flushing is ongoing until June 14th. It started from the east and is going west. Anyone wanting to receive a notice of hydrant flushing in their neighborhood can call 607-748-6683. The Water Department also puts signs in the neighborhoods and tries to do most of the work at night so as to minimize disruptions and avoid problems with dirty water. Please check your water for any discoloration before using.

SUPERVISOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Brush and branches are to be put out near the curb **NOT** in the road. The placement of these items in the road clogs up drains and creates a hazard.
- There will be no Memorial Day ceremony in Vestal this year.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion of Councilman Majewski, seconded by Councilman Fletcher, the meeting was adjourned at 6:07 PM. Carried unanimously.

Approved by _____
Emil J. Bielecki, Town Clerk