

TOWN BOARD

COUNTY OF ALBANY

TOWN OF COLONIE

TOWN BOARD MEETING

THE STENOGRAPHIC MINUTES of the above entitled matter by NANCY L. STRANG, a Shorthand Reporter, on July 11, 2019 7:03 p.m. at Memorial Town Hall 534 Loudon Road, Newtonville, New York 12128

BOARD MEMBERS:

- PAULA A. MAHAN, SUPERVISOR
- LINDA MURPHY, DEPUTY SUPERVISOR
- PAUL ROSANO
- DAVID GREEN
- CHRISTOPHER CAREY
- MELISSA JEFFERS-VONDOLLEN
- JENNIFER WHALEN

ALSO PRESENT:

- Michael C. Magguilli, Esq. Town Attorney
- Julie Gansle, Town Clerk
- Peter Berry, Chief, EMS

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1 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Before we begin with personnel
2 and our regular agenda, for those of you who might not
3 be aware and for our viewers, yesterday we had
4 announced a renewable energy project. It is a
5 hydro-power and we entered into this agreement. It is a
6 20 year agreement - a power purchase agreement with
7 gravity renewables. It uses an innovative mechanism
8 known as remote net metering and this agreement will
9 substantially underwrite the Town's energy costs
10 through the purchase of locally produced hydroelectric
11 power. Colonie will receive monetary green credits from
12 National Grid. This will help offset 50% of the
13 electric load climate friendly renewable power and it
14 will basically offset 50% of our carbon footprint and
15 greatly reduce our energy bills.

16 So, we had a tour of the facility yesterday which
17 is in Schuylerville. It was quite fascinating to see.

18 It's a partnership. Is a great agreement. It is
19 great for the Town and great for our environment and the
20 regional economy, as well.

21 I want to give a special thank you to Doug Sippel
22 who is here tonight. Doug did a tremendous amount of
23 work. Doug did a tremendous amount of work on this
24 agreement. It has been in the works for a couple of
25 years. It really came together nicely.

1 This is a really good agreement and again this is
2 for 20 years for the Town.

3 Also, I want to thank Jack Spath who is one of our
4 attorneys that worked on this agreement as well. He is
5 not here this evening.

6 Also, Sara Weist from my staff worked on this with
7 us.

8 Yesterday Jack and Doug and Linda and Paul and
9 Sarah took a tour of the facility. It is quite
10 interesting. This is a great thing for the Town and over
11 20 years, it's really going to save us a lot on our
12 energy costs. I just want to announce that for anybody
13 who didn't know of it or didn't read about it.

14 At this point we are going to begin the meeting
15 with personnel.

16 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution permanently
17 promoting Raymond L. Merolle to the position of Senior
18 Public Works Operations Technician, Grade 15, in the
19 DPW/Engineering Department.

20 MR. ROSANO: So moved

21 MR. GREEN: Second.

22 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Supervisor votes aye. Clerk,
23 call the roll.

24 (The roll was called.)

25 MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam Supervisor.

1 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted. *I
2 don't think Ray is here. Please tell him we said
3 congratulations.

4 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution appointing John
5 MacDuff, Jr. to the position of Water Maintenance
6 Worker, Grade 8, in the DPW/Division of Latham Water.

7 MR. ROSANO: So moved.

8 MS. WHALEN: Second.

9 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Supervisor votes aye. Clerk,
10 call the roll.

11 (The roll was called.)

12 MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam Supervisor.

13 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

14 I did not see John, either.

15 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution permanently
16 promoting Thomas J. Edwards to the position of Working
17 Foreman, Grade 26, in the DPW/Division of Latham Water.

18 MR. ROSANO: So moved.

19 MS. MURPHY: Second.

20 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Supervisor votes aye. Clerk,
21 call the roll.

22 (The roll was called.)

23 MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam Supervisor.

24 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

25 I don't see Tom, either.

1 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution permanently
2 appointing Marc A. Poskus to the position of Emergency
3 Medical Technician in the Emergency Medical Services
4 Department.

5 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Before we vote on that, can I
6 ask chief Peter Barry to come up first for a few words?

7 MS. GANSLE: Of course.

8 MR. BERRY: Thank you, Supervisor Mahan.

9 First off I like to thank you, Supervisor, and the
10 entire Town Board for your support of public safety. It
11 has been steadfast in your entire administration.

12 Tonight is a special night. The appointment of
13 these two EMTs will bring our back up to full strength,
14 which is awesome.

15 Tonight I'm pleased to present two new EMTs to you.
16 They are both Town residents. They are both actively
17 involved in the Town Fire Service and they both have EMT
18 training and will make a fantastic addition to our
19 staff.

20 Also I'd like to thank our staff.

21 Thank you.

22 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Thank you very much, Peter.

23 Supervisor votes aye. Clerk, call the roll.

24 (The roll was called.)

25 MS. GANSLE: Do we have a mover?

1 MS. MURPHY: So moved.

2 MS. WHALEN: Second.

3 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Supervisor votes aye. Clerk,
4 call the roll.

5 (The roll was called.)

6 MS. GANSLE: The ayea have it, Madam Supervisor.

7 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

8 Congratulations, Mark.

9 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution permanently
10 appointing Daniel J. Sullivan, Jr. to the position of
11 Emergency Medical Technician in the Emergency Medical
12 Services Department.

13 MS. MURPHY: So moved

14 MR. GREEN: Second.

15 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Supervisor votes aye. Clerk,
16 call the roll.

17 (The roll was called.)

18 MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam Supervisor.

19 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

20 Congratulations, Dan.

21 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution reinstating
22 Edwin O. Russell to the position of Paramedic part-time
23 in the Emergency Medical Services Department.

24 MS. WHALEN: So moved.

25 MR. CAREY: Second.

1 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Supervisor votes aye. Clerk,
2 call the roll.

3 (The roll was called.)

4 MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam Supervisor.

5 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

6 Ed is not here.

7 MR. BERRY: But he thanks you, very much.

8 (Where is the above entitled proceeding was
9 adjourned to address the public hearings and public
10 comment of the evening and recommenced immediately
11 after.)

12 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution calling a public
13 hearing pursuant to Section 202b of the Town Law of the
14 State of New York in relation to the proposed
15 Albany-Shaker Road Pump Station Rehabilitation Project.

16 MR. ROSANO: The public hearing will be held on
17 August 8th. So moved.

18 MS. JEFFERS-VONDOLLEN: Second.

19 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Supervisor votes aye. Clerk,
20 call the roll.

21 (The roll was called.)

22 MS. GANSLE: The ayea have it, Madam Supervisor.

23 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

24 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing
25 expenditure of funds from the Insurance Reserve Fund

1 for payment of legal fees, expenses and/or settlement
2 in connection with tort litigation.

3 MS. JEFFERS-VONDOLLEN: So moved.

4 MS. WHALEN: Second.

5 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Supervisor votes aye. Clerk,
6 call the roll.

7 (The roll was called.)

8 MS. GANSLE: The ayea have it, Madam Supervisor.

9 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

10 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing
11 settlement or discontinuance, subject to judicial
12 approval of the same, pursuant to Section 68 of the
13 Town Law, of various tax certiorari proceedings.

14 MS. JEFFERS-VONDOLLEN: So moved.

15 MS. WHALEN: Second.

16 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Supervisor votes aye. Clerk,
17 call the roll.

18 (The roll was called.)

19 MS. GANSLE: The ayea have it, Madam Supervisor.

20 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

21 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution awarding the bid
22 to Gallo Construction in connection with the Library
23 Renovation Project Phase 2 and authorizing the
24 Supervisor to enter into an agreement for same.

25 MS. MURPHY: So moved.

1 MS. WHALEN: Second.

2 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Supervisor votes aye. Clerk,
3 call the roll.

4 (The roll was called.)

5 MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam Supervisor.

6 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

7 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing the
8 General Services Director to award the bid to TiSales,
9 Inc. in connection with the purchase of Water Meter and
10 Water Meter Reading System Parts and Accessories for
11 2019.

12 MR. ROSANO: This is a sole bidder. So moved.

13 MS. WHALEN: Second.

14 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Supervisor votes aye. Clerk,
15 call the roll.

16 (The roll was called.)

17 MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam Supervisor.

18 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

19 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing the
20 Supervisor to reimburse for overestimated water usage
21 at various locations.

22 MR. ROSANO: So moved.

23 MS. WHALEN: Second.

24 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Supervisor votes aye. Clerk,
25 call the roll.

1 (The roll was called.)

2 MS. GANSLE: The ayea have it, Madam Supervisor.

3 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

4 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing the
5 General Services Director to advertise for bids in
6 connection with the construction of a new pavilion at
7 the Mohawk River Park.

8 MS. JEFFERS-VONDOLLEN: So moved.

9 MS. WHALEN: Second.

10 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Supervisor votes aye. Clerk,
11 call the roll.

12 (The roll was called.)

13 MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam Supervisor.

14 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

15 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing the
16 Supervisor to enter into a Professional Architectural
17 Service Agreement with Syvertsen Rigosu Architects,
18 PLLC in connection with proposed renovations to the
19 first floor of Town Hall.

20 MR. CAREY: So moved.

21 MR. GREEN: Second.

22 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: This is not to exceed
23 \$9,500.00.

24 Supervisor votes aye. Clerk, call the roll.

25 (The roll was called.)

1 MS. GANSLE: The ayea have it, Madam Supervisor.

2 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

3 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing the
4 Supervisor to enter into a contract with Systems
5 Development Group, Inc. in connection with support for
6 the Town of Colonie's Image Mate software in the
7 Assessor's Office.

8 MR. GREEN: So moved.

9 MS. MURPHY: Second.

10 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The annual cost is \$3,000.00.

11 Supervisor votes aye. Clerk, call the roll.

12 (The roll was called.)

13 MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam Supervisor.

14 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

15 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution awarding the bid
16 to Eckert Mechanical in connection with the Mohawk View
17 Water Pollution Control Plant Boiler 1 Gasket
18 Replacement Project and authorizing the Supervisor to
19 enter into an agreement for same.

20 MR. ROSANO: This is a low bid. So moved.

21 MS. WHALEN: Second.

22 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Supervisor votes aye. Clerk,
23 call the roll.

24 (The roll was called.)

25 MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam Supervisor.

1 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

2 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution requiring the
3 Planning Board to review and consider the proposed
4 amendment of the Shelter Cove PDD.

5 MR. ROSANO: So moved.

6 MS. MURPHY: Second.

7 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Supervisor votes aye. Clerk,
8 call the roll.

9 (The roll was called.)

10 MS. GANSLE: The ayea have it, Madam Supervisor.

11 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

12 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing the
13 Supervisor to execute an agreement with the New York
14 State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee for a grant
15 in the amount of \$35,400.00.

16 MS. JEFFERS-VONDOLLEN: So moved.

17 MS. MURPHY: Second.

18 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Supervisor votes aye. Clerk,
19 call the roll.

20 (The roll was called.)

21 MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam Supervisor.

22 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

23 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution awarding the bid
24 to Arold Construction in connection with the 2019
25 Sanitary Sewer Repair Program and authorizing the

1 Supervisor to enter into an agreement for same.

2 MR. ROSANO: This is a low bidder. So moved.

3 MS. WHALEN: Second.

4 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Supervisor votes aye. Clerk,
5 call the roll.

6 (The roll was called.)

7 MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam Supervisor.

8 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

9 Thank you very much for attending.

10 (Whereas the above entitled proceeding was
11 concluded at 7:55 p.m.)

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I, NANCY L. STRANG, Shorthand Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of New York, hereby CERTIFY that the record taken by me at the time and place noted in the heading hereof is a true and accurate transcript of same, to the best of my ability and belief.

NANCY L. STRANG

Dated _____