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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 commencing on
January 16, 2020 at 7:10 p.m. at Memorial Town Hall,
534 New Loudon Road, Latham, New York

BOARD MEMBERS:

- PAULA MAHAN, SUPERVISOR
- LINDA MURPHY, DEPUTY SUPERVISOR
- DAVID GREEN
- MELISSA JEFFERS-VONDOLLEN
- RICK FIELD
- JILL PENN
- DANIELLE FUTIA

ALSO PRESENT:

- Michael C. Magguilli, Esq, Town Attorney
- Julie Gansle, Town Clerk
- Chris Kostyun, Chief, EMS
- Lisa Drake

1 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: It's nice to see everybody
2 this evening. We have a lot of our people here today
3 because we do have some promotions and new employees
4 that we will be presenting here shortly. This is the
5 time of the year when I do the state of the Town. Here
6 we are. I want to begin with that and then once we
7 finish, will move right into personnel.

8 (Whereas the above the title proceeding was
9 adjourned to address the State of the Town Address and
10 recommenced immediately after.)

11 We now will go on to personnel.

12 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution establishing
13 one position of Parks and Recreation Support Assistant,
14 Grade 8, in the Parks and Recreation Department and
15 provisionally promoting Samantha N. VanVleck to same.

16 MS. JEFFERS-VONDOLLEN: So moved.

17 MR. GREEN: 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
22 Supervisor.

23 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

24 Samantha could not be here with us tonight.
25 She has the flu. So, we are glad that she is home. Her

1 parents are here. Please give her our best. Thank you
2 for coming tonight.

3 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution permanently
4 promoting John P. MacDuff Jr. to the position of Working
5 Foreman/Water Department, Grade 26, in the DPW/Division
6 of Latham Water.

7 MR. GREEN: So moved.

8 MS. JEFFERS-VONDOLLEN: 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
13 Supervisor.

14 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.
15 Congratulations, John.

16 Chris?

17 MR. KOSTYUN: Thank you for coming tonight.
18 This evening we have an addition and a promotion. This
19 is made possible by the support of the Supervisor and
20 the Town Board and the Budget Committee and Civil
21 Service and Human Resources and the whole team.

22 I would like to introduce Billy Juliano, IV.
23 He will be joining as a new member of the department.
24 He has significant experience as an EMT in the Town of
25 Queensberry, with the Fire Department of the City of

1 New York and most recently as a firefighter with the
2 Latham Fire Department where he serves as a freshly
3 minted EMS coordinator.

4 Thank you for your support. He will be
5 joining us as a full-time EMT.

6 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution permanently
7 appointing William Juliano, IV to the position of
8 Emergency Medical Technician in the Emergency Medical
9 Services Department.

10 MS. MURPHY: So moved.

11 MR. GREEN: Second.

12 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Supervisor votes aye. Clerk,
13 call the roll.

14 (The roll was called.)

15 MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam
16 Supervisor.

17 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

18 MR. KOSTYUN: Next on the agenda this evening
19 is the promotion of Jason Barry from paramedic full-time
20 to EMS captain. This is an addition supported by the
21 Supervisor, the Town Board, the Budget Committee. With
22 our increased volume and the increased demands and the
23 number of personnel out on the street we needed this
24 position and with Chief Barry's vision we were able to
25 make this happen to get more direct supervision out on

1 the street to help the EMTs and paramedics continued to
2 do it outstanding job.

3 Jason has been with the department since 2009
4 as an EMT and has worked as a paramedic with us since
5 2013 and has been steadily working his way up to the
6 department where he functions now as a flight
7 paramedic with the New York State Police Aviation
8 Program that we share with them. Also, as a tactical
9 EMS paramedic in combination with the SWAT team for
10 the Colonie Police Department.

11 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution establishing
12 one position of Emergency Medical Services Captain,
13 Grade 13, in the Emergency Medical Services Department
14 and permanently promoting Jason C. Berry to same.

15 MS. MURPHY: So moved.

16 MR. GREEN: Second.

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

19 (The roll was called.)

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

22 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

23 (Whereas the above entitled proceeding was
24 adjourned to address the public hearings and public
25 comment of the evening and recommenced immediately

1 after.)

2 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution calling a
3 public hearing pursuant to Section 202b of the State of
4 New York State in relation to the proposed Burns-Whitney
5 Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project.

6 MS. MURPHY: The public hearing will be
7 February 6 here at 7:00. So moved.

8 MR. GREEN: 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
13 Supervisor.

14 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

15 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution calling a
16 public hearing pursuant to Section 202b of the State of
17 New York State in relation to the proposed Design and
18 Construction of a Single Garage Facility for the
19 Collection Section of the Division of Pure Waters.

20 MS. MURPHY: This public hearing will be here
21 on February 6 at 7:00. So moved.

22 MR. GREEN: Second.

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

25 (The roll was called.)

1 MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam
2 Supervisor.

3 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

4 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing
5 the General Services Director to advertise for bids in
6 connection with the purchase of one new trench box for
7 the DPW/Division of Pure Waters.

8 MS. MURPHY: So moved.

9 MR. GREEN: 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
14 Supervisor.

15 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

16 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing
17 the General Services Director to advertise for bids in
18 connection with the purchase of one new utility truck
19 for the DPW/Division of Pure Waters.

20 MS. MURPHY: 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

1 Supervisor.

2 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

3 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing
4 the General Services Director to advertise for bids in
5 connection with the Pipe Bridge Rehabilitation Project
6 for the DPW/Division of Pure Waters.

7 MS. MURPHY: So moved.

8 MR. GREEN: 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
13 Supervisor.

14 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

15 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing
16 the General Services Director to advertise for bids in
17 connection with the Mohawk View Water Pollution Control
18 Plant Clarifier Rehabilitation Project for the
19 DPW/Division of Pure Waters.

20 MS. MURPHY: 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

1 Supervisor.

2 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

3 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing
4 the General Services Director to advertise for bids in
5 connection with the purchase of one new dump truck for
6 the DPW/Division of Pure Waters.

7 MS. MURPHY: So moved.

8 MR. GREEN: 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
13 Supervisor.

14 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

15 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing
16 the Supervisor to execute Amendment No. 1 to the
17 Engineering Agreement with Weston & Sampson in
18 connection with the 2019 Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation
19 Project for the DPW/Division of Pure Waters.

20 MS. MURPHY: The car shall not exceed \$16,913.

21 So moved.

22 MR. GREEN: Second.

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

25 (The roll was called.)

1 MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam
2 Supervisor.

3 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

4 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing
5 the Supervisor to declare an emergency in connection
6 with repair of the sanitary sewer system at 3 Red Oaks
7 Drive by ANJO Construction, Ltd. and authorizing the
8 Comptroller to expend Emergency Repair Reserve funds for
9 the same.

10 MS. MURPHY: The cost was \$8,735. So moved.

11 MR. GREEN: Second.

12 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Supervisor votes aye. Clerk,
13 call the roll.

14 (The roll was called.)

15 MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam
16 Supervisor.

17 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

18 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing
19 the Supervisor to declare an emergency in connection
20 with repair of the sanitary sewer system at Osborne Road
21 and Vigars Place by ANJO Construction, Ltd. and
22 authorizing the Comptroller to expend Emergency Repair
23 Reserve funds for the same.

24 MS. MURPHY: This one was a much bigger repair.
25 The cost was \$70,641.29. So moved.

1 MR. GREEN: 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
6 Supervisor.

7 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

8 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing
9 the Supervisor to declare an emergency in connection
10 with repair of the sanitary sewer system at 2 Austin
11 Avenue by ANJO Construction, Ltd. and authorizing the
12 Comptroller to expend Emergency Repair Reserve funds for
13 the same.

14 MS. MURPHY: This repair was \$6318.52. So
15 moved.

16 MR. GREEN: Second.

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

19 (The roll was called.)

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

22 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

23 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing
24 the Supervisor to execute an Engineering Agreement with
25 GHD Consulting Services, Inc. in connection with general

1 engineering services with the DPW/Division of Pure
2 Waters for 2020.

3 MS. MURPHY: This is not to exceed \$10,000. So
4 moved.

5 MR. GREEN: Second.

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

8 (The roll was called.)

9 MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam
10 Supervisor.

11 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

12 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution rescinding
13 all prior Resolutions pertaining to the fee schedule for
14 the Youth Services Division and adopting a new fee
15 schedule for the Youth Services Division for 2020.

16 MS. MURPHY: So moved.

17 MR. GREEN: Second.

18 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: This is for a pickle ball
19 class. Supervisor votes aye. Clerk, call the roll.

20 (The roll was called.)

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

23 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

24 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing
25 the Supervisor to execute an Agreement with the Upper

1 Hudson Library System for the William K. Sanford
2 Library.

3 MS. MURPHY: So moved.

4 MR. GREEN: Second.

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

7 (The roll was called.)

8 MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam
9 Supervisor.

10 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

11 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution appointing
12 Daniela Weiss as a member of the Community Development
13 Citizen Advisory Committee.

14 MS. JEFFERS-VONDOLLEN: So moved.

15 MS. MURPHY: Second.

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

18 (The roll was called.)

19 MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam
20 Supervisor.

21 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

22 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution establishing
23 date, time and place for a public hearing on the Town of
24 Colonie's Community Development Block Grant and HOME
25 Programs.

1 MS. JEFFERS-VONDOLLEN: The public hearing will
2 be held on Wednesday, March 4, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. So
3 moved.

4 MS. PENN: Second.

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

7 (The roll was called.)

8 MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam
9 Supervisor.

10 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

11 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing
12 Chief Christopher Kostyun, Assistant Chief Paul Sugrue
13 and Assistant Chief Christopher Rench to execute a
14 Non-Disclosure Agreement with Stryker Medical.

15 MS. MURPHY: So moved.

16 MR. GREEN: Second.

17 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: This is no cost to the town.
18 Supervisor votes aye. Clerk, call the roll.

19 (The roll was called.)

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

22 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

23 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution 97
24 authorizing the Supervisor to enter into an Agreement
25 with David Frueh Contracting, LLC in connection with the

1 interior demolition work at 12 Arrowhead Lane.

2 MR. GREEN: So moved.

3 MS. JEFFERS-VONDOLLEN: Second.

4 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: the cost of the demolition
5 is \$8,500 which will be paid for by the Federal Bureau
6 of investigation.

7 Supervisor votes aye. Clerk, call the roll.

8 (The roll was called.)

9 MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam
10 Supervisor.

11 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

12 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing
13 the Supervisor to enter into an Agreement with Mohawk
14 and Hudson River Humane Society in connection with
15 animal shelter services for 2020.

16 MS. JEFFERS-VONDOLLEN: So moved.

17 MS. PENN: Second.

18 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: Various fees apply to this.
19 A full day is \$70.35.

20 Supervisor votes aye. Clerk, call the roll.

21 (The roll was called.)

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

24 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

25 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing

1 the Supervisor to enter into an Agreement with Latham
2 Animal Hospital in connection with animal shelter
3 services for the year 2020 or part thereof.

4 MS. JEFFERS-VONDOLLEN: So moved.

5 MS. PENN: Second.

6 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The rate with animal
7 hospitals - the fees are different per day. For a dog
8 boarding is \$30 and for \$35 per day. \.

9 Supervisor votes aye. Clerk, call the roll.

10 (The roll was called.)

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

13 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

14 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing
15 the Supervisor to enter into a Service Agreement with
16 eCLIPSE Network Solutions, LLC for the Police Department
17 video surveillance system.

18 MR. GREEN: This is a cost of \$3,652. So moved.

19 MS. JEFFERS-VONDOLLEN: 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
24 Supervisor.

25 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

1 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing
2 the Supervisor to enter into a one-year extended
3 warranty coverage with ELSAG North America Selex ES in
4 connection with the maintenance of a FCU Box 4 Camera
5 System at Central Avenue and Fuller Road.

6 MR. GREEN: This is at a cost not to exceed
7 \$3,980. So moved.

8 MS. JEFFERS-VONDOLLEN: 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
13 Supervisor.

14 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

15 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing
16 the Supervisor to enter into an Agreement with
17 Pettinelli Recreation, Inc. and Miracle Recreation
18 Equipment Company in connection with the purchase and
19 installation of playground equipment at The Crossings.

20 MS. MURPHY: The cost of the equipment and
21 installation will be \$96,390.02. So moved.

22 MR. GREEN: Second.

23 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: This is one of the grants
24 that I was talking about that we received from
25 assemblyman Stack as well as public benefit fund from

1 the Crisafulli project over on Aviation Road. On the
2 south end of the Crossings there is no playground. So,
3 this for new playground there. There will also be
4 parking there as well. That's where the cost of this is
5 covering - these items.

6 Supervisor votes aye. Clerk, call the roll.

7 (The roll was called.)

8 MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam
9 Supervisor.

10 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

11 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing
12 the Supervisor to enter into an Agreement with Upstate
13 Companies I, LLC in connection with the construction of
14 the pavilion at the Town of Colonie Mohawk River Park.

15 MS. MURPHY: The cost shall not exceed
16 \$240,815.12. So moved.

17 MR. GREEN: Second.

18 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: This is at the Town park on
19 Schermerhorn Road. This again is covered partly by a
20 grant.

21 Some of you may not know but for many years
22 the town has held an Easter Seals camp at the Town
23 park and the children have grown out of the old
24 pavilion. It's a lot smaller. Particular pavilion is
25 going to serve for the future needs and that will have

1 fans and some lighting so will be a healthier
2 environment for them. When the Easter Seals camp is
3 not in session, this also can be rented out.

4 Supervisor votes aye. Clerk, call the roll.

5 (The roll was called.)

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

8 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

9 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing
10 the Supervisor to execute Change Order No. 1 to the
11 contract with New Castle Paving, LLC in connection with
12 the Albany/Colonie Interconnection Project.

13 MS. JEFFERS-VONDOLLEN: This is a no cost to
14 the Town. It's just extending the final completion date
15 to July 1, 2020. So moved.

16 MS. PENN: Second.

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

19 (The roll was called.)

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

22 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

23 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing
24 settlement or discontinuance, subject to judicial
25 approval of the same, pursuant to §68 of the Town Law,

1 of various tax certiorari proceedings.

2 MS. JEFFERS-VONDOLLEN: So moved.

3 MS. PENN: 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
8 Supervisor.

9 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

10 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing
11 the Supervisor to enter into an Agreement with the Bank
12 of America, N.A. in connection with the acceptance of
13 the Albert & Elsbeth Field Memorial Fund Trust 2020
14 distribution of \$30,000.00 to the Senior Resources
15 Department.

16 MS. MURPHY: This is an annual amount for
17 resources Department and they will receive \$30,000 To
18 help the seniors. So moved.

19 MR. GREEN: 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
24 Supervisor.

25 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.

1 MS. GANSLE: We have a Resolution authorizing
2 the Supervisor to enter into a Lease Agreement with
3 Wychwood Associates in connection with the lease of
4 office space for the Senior Resources Department.

5 MS. MURPHY: The new space will not exceed
6 22,460.00 annually. So moved.

7 MR. GREEN: Second.

8 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: We currently have space in
9 the Beltrone Living Center. They are in need of use of
10 the space so we've been looking around. This is actually
11 lower than the rate that we would've paid. It helps us
12 in accommodates the Colonie Senior Services.

13 Supervisor votes aye. Clerk, call the roll.

14 (The roll was called.)

15 MS. GANSLE: The ayes have it, Madam
16 Supervisor.

17 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: The Resolution is adopted.
18 Thank you very much for attending.

19 MR. DRAKE: I have a question. I was directed
20 to Mr. Cunningham. What department or how do I find him
21 - like his email and stuff? It sounds like the Board is
22 not wanting future emails.

23 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: No, not at all. Sending us
24 emails is very helpful. It's so we are on the same page
25 as far as updates so we know what the Planning Board is

1 working on. If you go on the website to the public
2 worksite, the numbers right there. I don't have it at
3 the top my head.

4 MR. DRAKE: I can find it on the computer as
5 long as I know which department to search.

6 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: It's the extension?

7 FROM THE FLOOR: It would be 518-783-2795.

8 SUPERVISOR MAHAN: If you don't have the number
9 you can always call my office and we will transfer you.

10 (Whereas the above entitled proceeding was
11 concluded at 8:15 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.

Dated: _____

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