

The December 1st, 2010 regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon was called to order at 7:00 pm in the A. James Bold Meeting Room at the New Town Hall, 2 Halfmoon Town Plaza with the following members present:

Melinda A. Wormuth, Supervisor
Walter F. Polak, Councilman
Regina C. Parker, Councilwoman
Paul L. Hotaling, Councilman
Craig A. Hayner, Councilman
Mary J. Pearson, Town Clerk
Lyn A. Murphy, Town Attorney

The Town Board Workshop was held in the Board Room at 6:15 pm; no action was taken. The Supervisor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

REPORTS OF BOARD MEMBERS AND TOWN ATTORNEY

Councilwoman Parker thanked everyone who participated with the Thanksgiving baskets they delivered throughout the Town, not just the volunteers but the people and the businesses in the community that never seem to have an end to giving, Sorrentino's Deli gave turkeys, New Country auto gave, Mr. Tanski gave turkey's and a very large sum of money to help over 600 families have a nice holiday meal and its important our community knows how much we care about them and about the people who donate their time, services and goods so others can have a better life.

She invited everyone to the tree lighting ceremony tomorrow at 6:30 in front of the old Town Hall.

Attorney Murphy asked the Board to consider two resolutions; one to authorize the Supervisor to execute an agreement with the EPA for water costs incurred by the Town during the dredging season.

RESOLUTION NO. 235

Offered by Councilwoman Parker, seconded by Councilman Hotaling: Adopted by vote of the Board: Ayes: Wormuth, Polak, Parker, Hotaling, Hayner

WHEREAS, the Town of Halfmoon is committed to providing potable water to the citizens of the Town of Halfmoon; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Protection Agency has agreed to reimburse the Town of Halfmoon for some of the monies expended by the Town of Halfmoon to obtain safe, clean water from the City of Troy for consumption by the citizens of the Town of Halfmoon; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Protection Agency has also agreed to pay for future expenses incurred by the Town of Halfmoon in the future as a result of the ongoing dredge project on the Hudson River; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Town Supervisor and/ or attorneys representing the Town to execute various legal documents to effectuate the payment of the monies to the Town of Halfmoon,

NOW, IT IS HEREBY

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor and/or attorneys representing the Town of Halfmoon to execute Agreements between the Town of Halfmoon and the Environmental Protection Agency for the payment and reimbursement of monies expended by the Town of Halfmoon to obtain potable water.

Attorney Murphy asked the Board to consider a resolution authorizing the sale of the halogen lights, no longer utilized at the highway garage, through the previously authorized auction website.

Supervisor Wormuth stated the Town entered into an agreement with an energy company to do an audit and replace bulbs with newer more energy efficient bulbs that will pay for themselves within a year of use.

RESOLUTION NO. 236

Offered by Councilwoman Parker, seconded by Councilman Polak: Adopted by vote of the Board: Ayes: Wormuth, Polak, Parker, Hotaling, Hayner

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Superintendent of Highways to submit the Highway Garage halogen lights to Auctions International 2-mail site.

Councilman Hotaling thanked everyone who pitched in recently at the Town Park to build a stage to have events there. He stated a piece of equipment was donated by Mr. Tanski, the highway men pitched in, and building and parks guys helped out and they did a lot of work.

He stated he also thanks everyone who stepped up to help the community with the Thanksgiving baskets and can't say thank you enough and its great everybody pulls together to make it happen.

Councilman Polak reported on the Town Transfer Station Holiday hours schedule: Friday, December 24th – 8 am to 2 pm, Saturday, December 25th – Closed, Friday, December 31 – 8 am to 2 pm and Saturday, January 1 – Closed.

The Supervisor opened public privilege for discussion of agenda topics; no one had questions or comments.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS – month of November

1. Town Justice Wormuth

Total cases - 358 Total fees remitted to the Supervisor - \$36,620
Filed.

2. Senior Express Dispatch

Total # of Riders - 267 Total # of Meals- 391
Filed.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Received from Town of Colonie Zoning Board notification of public hearing on December 2 at 7:00 pm for Special use Permit of Michael Cusack, Esq., Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for proposed modification at 205 Wolf Road.

Received & Filed.

2. Received from Town Senior Planner notification of Planning Board denial of addition to site plan for a covered deck for Country Drive-In, 1455 Vischer Ferry Road based on proposed use not being in conformance with Local Laws of the Town of Halfmoon.

Received & Filed.

3. Received from Town Senior Planner notification of Planning Board approval of the following: Sign application for AAA Car Care Center, 1647 Route 9; change of tenant for Edward Jones, 1471 Route 9; change of tenant and sign for Capitaland Home Improvement, 1660 Route 9; change of tenant for 02 Solutions, 1406 Route 9; sign application for Halfmoon Sunoco, 325 Route 146.

Received & Filed.

4. Received from Salty's Pub & Bistro, 215A Guideboard Road, Halfmoon notification of intent to renew their liquor license.

Received & Filed.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION NO. 237

Offered by Councilman Polak, seconded by Councilwoman Parker: Adopted by vote of the Board: Ayes: Wormuth, Polak, Parker, Hotaling, Hayner

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves and orders paid all vouchers for all funds listed on Abstract dated December 1st, 2010, totaling: \$978,045.49

RESOLUTION NO. 238

Offered by Councilwoman Parker, seconded by Councilman Hotaling; Adopted by vote of the Board: Ayes: Wormuth, Polak, Parker, Hotaling, Hayner

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves minutes of Town Board meetings of July 21, August 4 and November 17, 2010 as presented.

RESOLUTION NO. 239

Offered by Councilman Hayner, seconded by Councilman Hotaling: Adopted by vote of the Board: Ayes: Wormuth, Polak, Parker, Hotaling, Hayner

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to make the following Transfer between Appropriations and Creation of Appropriations:

A resolution is needed to create the following budget amendment of appropriations and revenues in the Special Revenue Fund for engineering fees for on site quality inspections. These funds are developer’s monies held in escrow by the Town in a regular checking account and used for the payment of costs for that particular project. This resolution is necessary to comply with proper accounting procedures as set forth by NYS Department of Audit and Control.

Debit: Estimated Revenues 25-510 \$6,509.50
Subsidiary: 25-4-2189 Home & Community Services \$6,509.50
Credit: Appropriations 25-960 \$6,509.50
Subsidiary: 25-5-1440.40 Engineering Contractors Inspections \$6,509.50

Information Only: The above was derived from the following breakdown of charges to be paid on the December Abstract for engineering and related fees:

NAME	AMOUNT
Prospect Meadows Insp	\$2,379.50
Bilinski PDD	134.00
New Country Sales & Service	528.00
Inglewood PDD	2,183.00
Rolling Hills Ph I Insp	1,285.00
Total	\$6,509.50

A resolution is necessary to close out the Champlain Trailhead Parking Project in the amount of \$10,000. All monies have been received and expended.

Debit: Appropriations 35-960 \$10,000 Subsidiary: Buildings 35-5-7150.20 - \$10,000
Credit: Estimated Revenues 35-510 \$10,000
Subsidiary: Cultural & Recreation Capital Grant – State 35-4-3897 - \$5,000 Interfund Transfers 35-4-5031 - \$5,000

Transfers between Appropriations:

From Account	To Account	Amount	Reason
10-5-1990.40 Contingency	10-5-7989.40 Other Culture & Recreation Contractual Care Links	\$1,800	Additional Appropriations needed to cover Care Links Program for Sept. 15 – Dec. 31, 2010
10-5-1990.40 Contingency	10-5-1355.41 Assessor Contractual Court Appraisals	\$10,000	Additional appropriations needed to cover appraisals thru year end
10-5-1990.40 Contingency	10-5-3310.40 Traffic Signs Contractual	\$650	Additional appropriations needed to cover expenses thru year end

RESOLUTION NO. 240

Offered by Councilman Hotaling, seconded by Councilman Hayner: Adopted by vote of the Board: Ayes: Wormuth, Polak, Parker, Hotaling, Hayner

RESOLVED, that the Town Board sets a public hearing for December 15th at 7:00 pm pursuant to the amendment to Article 7 Section 56-5 of the Ag & Markets Law for the licensing of dogs.

The Supervisor opened public privilege for discussion of non-agenda items; no one had questions or comments.

There being no further business to discuss or resolve on motion by Councilwoman Parker seconded by Councilman Polak the meeting was adjourned at 7:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary J. Pearson
Town Clerk

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