

The October 20, 2010 regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon was called to order by Supervisor Wormuth 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  
Matthew J. Chauvin, Deputy Town Attorney

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

The Supervisor stated first on the agenda is a proclamation proclaiming the month of October as fire prevention month and Councilwoman Regina Parker will present awards to all our fire departments. She stated they appreciate all of their service and everything they do for us putting their lives on the line. She stated they also thank their families because they know they are the ones who sit home without them when they run out in the middle of something. She stated it is a very small token and doesn't make up for all they do. She stated she wants to remind everyone to change their smoke detector batteries, have a safety plan and an escape plan.

Councilwoman Parker asked the firefighters present to stand as she read the proclamation. She stated through her work with FEMA and last year during the ice storm she would have had a flooded basement if it hadn't been for her fire department. She stated when she first moved into Colonial Green there was a fire in her wall and firefighters came and kept her children safe and saved her house so she personally has had two occasions where she needed their wonderful work. She stated last year they were all magnanimous and saved basements, wires and lives and the Town of Halfmoon is so very proud and thankful of them.

Supervisor Wormuth thanked them all and they appreciate all their valor and heroism.

Councilwoman Parker presented the Proclamation to the representatives of the departments.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 211

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

#### **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon hereby recognizes that October is Fire Prevention Month, a time when Firefighters make a concerted effort to reach out to the community to teach fire safety to educate the community regarding personal safety and the protection of property through planning; and

WHEREAS, we routinely witness the heroic efforts of fire fighters who put themselves in harm's way to protect our lives and our property; and

WHEREAS, it is important that all citizens know and understand the duties, responsibilities, hazards, and sacrifices of their Firefighters in their ongoing duty to serve the people of their community both in times of emergencies and through public outreach and education; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon desires to honor the valor, service, and dedication of our local Firefighters and those who serve in their honorable profession.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED,

1. The Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon hereby recognizes October as Fire Prevention Month
2. That the Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon hereby honors and demonstrates our appreciation for our local Firefighters .
3. That a copy of this resolution be presented to the local Firefighters to recognize the Town Board's sincere appreciation for all that they do for our community.

## REPORTS OF BOARD MEMBERS AND TOWN ATTORNEY

Councilman Hayner stated he was unable to attend the last Town Board meeting as he was traveling on business and he thanks the Supervisor, Pat Temple and all the for all their hard work putting the budget together this year and it is not easy in this economy. He stated the Town has been able to come with a way to increase salaries by 2% for the workers in Halfmoon and he thanks again the Supervisor and department heads.

Councilwoman Parker stated she wants to be sure everyone saw the sign for this Saturday's Pet Adoption Day at 10 am. She stated the Character Counts program is getting ready to do the Thanksgiving baskets and if anybody knows of someone who is in need of assistance please get in touch with the Supervisor's office to help them.

Councilman Hotaling reported that as of today the Halfmoon Historical society has opened the building on Wednesday's from 1 to 5 for people to stop in and see what is on display and our Historian is there.

Councilman Polak reported on the transfer station fall clean up from Sandy McBride and he thanks John and his entire staff because even though its junk it takes a lot of coordination and separating the items and getting them in the right bids and helping the people. He stated it is a task that is quite difficult to put it all together and they do a great job and residents have positive comments on the program. He provided the breakdown of expenses stating that the accounts payable amounted to \$18,973.77, accounts receivable - \$1,407.30 and the total cost of the program was \$17,566.47. He thanked the highway department for a great job.

Supervisor Wormuth reported that at the Pet Adoption Clinic is also an opportunity for people to bring their pets in and have them blessed by a Brother from Siena College.

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

## DEPARTMENT REPORTS – month of September

### 1. Town Clerk

Total fees remitted to the Supervisor - \$3,465.82  
Filed.

### 2. Building

Total permits -100 Total fees remitted to the Supervisor -\$17,843.00  
Filed.

### 3. Fire Code

Total permits – 26 Total fees remitted to the Supervisor - \$1,005  
Filed.

## CORRESPONDENCE

1. Received from Country Farms, 1500 Route 9, Halfmoon, notification of intent to renew their liquor license.  
*Received & Filed.*

2. Received from Town Senior Planner resolution for denial of a commercial site plan application for Greg P. Massengale, 160 Woodin Road, on the basis that the proposed use is not a permitted use in the Town's Local Laws.  
*Received & Filed.*

3. Received from Town Senior Planner resolutions approving the following: Change of Tenant for Google, Inc., 3 Corporate Drive; Change of Tenant for Liberty Mutual, 14 Corporate Drive; Change of Tenant for Momentive Performance Materials, 20 Solar Drive; Sign Application for Hoff Jewelers, 1546 Route 9.  
*Received & Filed.*

4. Received from Town of Colonie Notice of Public Hearing and application for special use permit modifications to existing telecommunications tower and related facilities at Vly Road,

Colonie, to be held on October 21, 2010 at 7:00 pm at the Colonie Public Operations Center, 347 Old Niskayuna Road, Latham, NY 12110.  
*Received & Filed.*

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **RESOLUTION NO. 212**

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 accepts the 2011 Town of Halfmoon Tentative Budget as the 2011 Preliminary Budget and, further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board sets the public hearing for the Preliminary Budget for November 3, 2010 at 7:00 pm.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **RESOLUTION NO. 213**

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 and orders paid all vouchers for all funds listed on Abstract dated October 20, 2010, totaling \$552,910.05.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 214**

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 approves the Supervisor's Report for month of September 2010 as presented.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 215**

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board accepts the Water Report for October billing as submitted by the Director of Water.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 216**

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 awards the contract to Hawk Drilling for Decommissioning of the Hoffman and Twin Lakes well field in the amount of \$19,220.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 217**

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to make the 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	\$11,033.50
	Subsidiary:	25-4-2189 Home & Community Services	\$11,033.50
Credit:	Appropriations	25-960	\$11,033.50
	Subsidiary:	25-5-1440.40 Engineering Contractors Inspections	\$11,033.50

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

NAME	AMOUNT
Fairway Meadows Insp	\$2,577.50
Falcon Trace	5,614.00
Halfmoon Heritage Apartments	1,633.00
Rolling Hills Insp	1,209.00
Total	\$11,033.50

A resolution is necessary to close out Miscellaneous Capital Project for Sysco/Multi-Modal in the amount of \$1,464,200 and Jobs Now Capital Projects in the amount of \$1,279,500. Money left over will be returned to the General Fund which is interest earned on these capital projects.

A resolution is needed to appropriate contributions from Richard Wright and the Fall Festival Raffle made to the Character Counts Program for the summer recreation program for youths to attend summer camp as follows:

DEBIT: Estimated Revenues 10-510 \$992  
Subsidiary: Community Gift Contributions 10-4-2705 - \$992  
CREDIT: Appropriations 10-960 \$992  
Subsidiary: Character Counts – Contractual 10-5-7989.4 - \$992

Transfers between Appropriations:

From Account	To Account	Amount	Reason
30-5-8330.42 Purification Contractual Chemicals	30-5-8310.42 Administration Contractual Legal Fees	\$20,000	Transfer of appropriations needed to cover legal fees for water administration
30-5-8330.42 Purification Contractual Chemicals	30-5-8310.41 Administration Contractual Eng. Fees	\$5,000	Transfer of appropriations needed to cover Eng. fees for water administration
30-5-9710.70 Serial Bonds Interest	30-5-9710.71 Debt Service Zone 1-Interest	\$14,913	Transfer of appropriations within own budget to cover Interest payments
30-5-9710.70 Serial Bonds Interest	30-5-9710.61 Debt Service Zone 1-Principal	\$14,912	Transfer of appropriations within own budget to cover principal payments

From Account	To Account	Amount	Reason
10-5-7110.10 Parks Personnel Services	10-5-7110.40 Parks Contractual	\$3,000	Transfer of appropriations within own budget to cover expenses thru year end
10-5-1680.20 Data Processing Equipment	10-5-1680.40 Data Processing Contractual	\$3,000	Transfer of appropriations within own budget to cover expenses thru year end
10-5-1990.40 Contingency	10-5-9050.80 Employee Benefits Unemployment Ins	\$5,000	Transfer of appropriations needed to cover unemployment taxes thru year end

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

Supervisor Wormuth stated that Carelinks is a program that supports our shut-in’s and people in need, seniors who need volunteers to help them either with transportation or things in their homes and that program unfortunately shut down in June due to a defunct with their spending and went bankrupt. She stated there is a new organization that has taken that over and they requested additional funding for this year. She stated they asked for just over \$3600 which she is not sure is a push they can handle but she has found \$1800 in our budget and, if it is the Boards pleasure they support the program because there are people who need the support most.

RESOLUTION NO. 218

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves the contract for the Care Links of Southern Saratoga County in the amount of \$1,800 for the year 2010.

The Supervisor stated the Board needs to enter into Executive session for the discussion of personnel issues and, following the session they will advise of any decisions that were made.

RESOLUTION NO. 219

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board enter into Executive session for the purpose of discussion of personnel issues.

RESOLUTION NO. 220

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board closed executive session stating no action taken.

There being no further business to discuss or resolve on motion by Councilwoman Parker, seconded by Councilman Hayner the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary J. Pearson  
Town Clerk

10/20/2010