

Public Hearing & Regular Meeting of the Town Board
June 8, 2016 7:00pm
Town of Windsor, Town Hall
124 Main Street, Windsor, NY 13865

Supervisor Price pointed out the exits in the room.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Supervisor Carolyn Price, at 7:00pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited.

ROLL CALL by Clerk:

Supervisor Carolyn Price: Present
Deputy Supervisor William J. McIntyre: Present
Councilman Gary M. Hupman: Present
Councilman Timothy J. Bates: Present
Councilwoman Lesa Hawk-Shuler: Present
Highway Superintendent Rocky Kohlbach: Present
Attorney Cheryl Sacco: Present
Deputy Town Clerk Lucy Swartz: Present

Also present were: Jerry Henehan, Elizabeth Einstein, Tom Eves, Scott B. Clarke, Dan Burdick, Anne Burdick, Carleton Gordon, Jon Wescott and Preston Baisley.

RECOGNITION:

Deputy Supervisor McIntyre and the Board recognized Dan Burdick for his craftsmanship on the new iron pulley wheel on the bell display in front of the Town Hall.

PUBLIC HEARING – A LOCAL LAW TO OPT-OUT OF SECTION 487 OF THE NEW YORK STATE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW” - Resolution #11-2016. (Advertised for 7:05pm)

Attorney Sacco gave the background on this Public Hearing.

Public Hearing Opened: 7:07pm

- Scott Clarke, Dodd Rd: Emphasized that community opt-out may make it not feasible or economically encouraging for solar development, and doesn't think that's the intent of the Town. He recommends not doing the opt-out.
- Tom Eves, Bennett Rd: "Hoping that we do opt-out. For reasons political in nature. I don't mind solar, as long as they pay for it on their own. I'm really against PILOTS."
- Jon Wescott, Springsteen Rd: "We only have so many properties in the Town of Windsor. That is our tax base. What we don't want is some business coming in and not paying any taxes."

Public Hearing Closed: 7:29pm

Councilwoman Hawk-Shuler would be interested in hearing from the Town's Assessor, as to what she learned and how assessments would be affected.

The Town Board decided to table this until the next meeting, having the Town Assessor come in and share information that she has learned.

Motion By: Councilwoman Hawk-Shuler Sec. By: Councilman Bates

To rescind closing the public hearing, and table it until the next meeting.

Vote of the Board:

Supervisor Price – AYE
Deputy Supervisor McIntyre - AYE
Councilman Hupman - AYE
Councilman Bates - AYE
Councilwoman Hawk-Shuler - AYE

Motion Approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

(Supervisor Price outlined the guidelines of public comment.)

- Scott Clarke, Dodd Rd: Regarding the Public Hearing on Chapter 68, which is to be held next month, he submitted a packet of noise related documents for the Board to familiarize themselves with prior to that date. Regarding the opt-out, he fears that if the Town opts out, and taxes people, it will discourage the solar thought.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion By: Councilman Hupman Sec. By: Councilwoman Hawk-Shuler

To approve the minutes of the May 11, 2016 Regular Meeting, as submitted.

Vote of the Board:

Supervisor Price – AYE
Deputy Supervisor McIntyre - AYE

Councilman Hupman - AYE
Councilman Bates - AYE
Councilwoman Hawk-Shuler - AYE

Motion Approved.

Motion By: Deputy Supervisor McIntyre Sec. By: Councilman Bates

To approve the minutes of the May 31, 2016 Special Meeting, as submitted.

Vote of the Board:

Supervisor Price – AYE
Deputy Supervisor McIntyre - AYE
Councilman Hupman - AYE
Councilman Bates - AYE
Councilwoman Hawk-Shuler - AYE

Motion Approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

- May 2016 Financial Report was distributed.

Motion By: Deputy Supervisor McIntyre Sec. By: Councilwoman Hawk-Shuler

To approve bills for payment:

- General Fund Vouchers #244 through #287 (Not paying #264, in the amount of \$59.82), totaling \$17,428.21;
- Sewer O&M Vouchers #25 through #30, totaling \$4,452.11;
- Highway Fund Vouchers #153 through #196 (Not paying #168, in the amount of \$70,000.00), totaling \$66,453.45;
- Highway Townwide Voucher #2, totaling \$19,254.40;
- Trust and Agency Vouchers #30 through #34, totaling \$22,107.80

Vote of the Board:

Supervisor Price – AYE
Deputy Supervisor McIntyre - AYE
Councilman Hupman - AYE
Councilman Bates - AYE
Councilwoman Hawk-Shuler - AYE

Motion Approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ASSESSOR: Report submitted.

DOG CONTROL: Councilwoman Hawk-Shuler mentioned that the rabies clinic will be at the Windsor Town Highway Garage, Chapel St, Windsor on Tuesday, 6-21-16 from 6-7pm.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: None.

ENERGY: Discussion regarding proposal from ETM Solar Works. Supervisor Price distributed a letter which included the questions that the Board had, and a response letter from ETM Solar Works regarding the replies to those questions. They were discussed. Attorney Sacco will call a source to acquire helpful information and will relay back to the Board.

HIGHWAY:

Motion By: Deputy Supervisor McIntyre Sec. By: Councilman Bates

To declare surplus and advertise (in the Press & Sun and The Windsor Standard) the 2013 Ford F-150 Grey 4x4, with a minimum bid of \$17,500.00.

Vote of the Board:

Supervisor Price – AYE
Deputy Supervisor McIntyre - AYE
Councilman Hupman - AYE
Councilman Bates - AYE
Councilwoman Hawk-Shuler - AYE

Motion Approved.

Hwy Superintendent Kohlbach reported that next week, the gas company is starting to backfill areas, the final restoration, of Dunbar Rd, and working their way south.

HISTORY: Meeting on 6-16-16 at the English Museum.

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR/REGISTRAR: Report submitted.

TOWN HALL: New sink will be installed in the basement soon. Pleased with the new cleaner at the Town Hall.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT: Newsletter sent with the June billing.

YOUTH & RECREATION: Councilman Bates wondered, since the Youth Program has been reorganized, should they still be submitting monthly reports to the Town Board? Supervisor Price mentioned that the Board has

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion By: Councilman Bates

To adjourn the meeting at 8:37pm.

Vote of the Board:

Supervisor Price – AYE

Deputy Supervisor McIntyre - AYE

Councilman Hupman - AYE

Councilman Bates - AYE

Councilwoman Hawk-Shuler - AYE

Motion Approved.

Sec. By: Councilman Hupman

Respectfully Submitted,

Lucy Swartz, Windsor Deputy Town Clerk