

MINUTES
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 21ST, 2020

PRESENT:

Supervisor Don Trout, Councilman Mike Pfeiffer, Tyrone Thomas, Howard Strader and Bob Lotz.

ALSO PRESENT:

Town Attorney, Dennis Benjamin, Highway Superintendent, Joseph Mull, Assessor, Jim Cleere, Account Clerk, Kim Hendrickson, and MRB Representative, Mr. Patrick Nicoletta.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Supervisor Trout led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

FIRE EXITS:

Supervisor Trout indicated where the fire exits were located.

2020-081

Councilman Lotz made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: Councilman Pfeiffer seconded the motion.

Approval of Minutes – November 23rd, 2020
Approval of Bills

GENERAL FUND – TOWNWIDE	\$102,546.56
GENERAL – PART TOWN	1,840.85
HIGHWAY TOWNWIDE	45,746.29
BORDER CITY FIRE DISTRICT	44,500.00
BORDER CITY LIGHT DISTRICT	3,253.85
WATERLOO HYDRANT DISTRICT	3,750.00
WATERLOO SEWER DISTRICT #1	5,734.40
5 AND 20 SEWER DISTRICTS	16,705.46
BURGESS ROAD WATER DISTRICT	15,359.54
BORDER CITY WATER DISTRICT	10,721.05
POWDERLY ROAD WATER DISTRICT	219.22
BREWER ROAD SOUTH	2,604.59
RTE 96, REED, HECKER, MILLS, KINGS WD	2,783.00
PRE-EMPTION WATER DISTRICT 6	4,622.60
TOTAL	260,387.41
WATER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT #1	6,287.01
TOTAL	266,674.42

Approval of the Town Clerk's Monthly Report
Approval of the Canine Report

AYE

NAE

Supervisor Trout
Councilman Pfeiffer
Councilman Strader
Councilman Thomas
Councilman Lotz

The motion was carried.

2020-082

Councilman Pfeiffer made the motion to approve SEQR Resolution for Designating Lead Agency as follows: Councilman Strader seconded the motion.

DESIGNATING LEAD AGENCY

WHEREAS, the Town of Waterloo Town Board (hereinafter referred to as Town Board) has on Monday, October 26, 2020 declared its intent to be designated the Lead Agency for the Town of Waterloo South Pre-Emption Street Water District under the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has provided written notices to this effect to the involved and interested agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has not received any written objections from the involved agencies to the Board's being designated as the lead agency under the SEQR Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has previously determined that it is the most appropriate agency to insure the coordination of this Action and for making the determination of significance thereon under the SEQR Regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board does hereby designate itself as the lead agency for the Action identified above herein;

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NAE

Supervisor Trout
Councilman Pfeiffer
Councilman Strader
Councilman Thomas
Councilman Lotz

The motion was carried

Supervisor Trout invited Mr. Pat Nicoletta, Project Engineer from the MRB Group to Review Parts 2 and 3 of the Environmental Assessment Form, before the resolution and vote comes before the Board.

Mr. Nicoletta explained all the potential impacts this project may have. He identified the areas that will be impacted as follows:

Impact on Land – The proposed action may involve construction on, or physical alteration of, the land surface on the proposed site. The proposed action may involve construction on land where depth to water table is less than 3 feet.

Impacts on Surface Water- The propose action may involve construction within or adjoining a freshwater or tidal wetland, or in the bed or banks of any other water body.

Impact on Groundwater – The proposed actin may result in new or additional use of ground water, or may have the potential to introduce contaminants to ground water or an aquifer.

Impact on Plants and Animals – The proposed action may result in a loss of flora or fauna. The proposed action may cause reduction in population or loss of individuals of any threatened or endangered species, as listed by the site, or are found on, over or near the site. The proposed action may result in a reduction or degradation of any habitat used by any rare, threatened or endangered species, as listed by New York State or the Federal Government.

The other impact is the Bald Eagle.

Impact on Agricultural Resources – The proposed action may impact agricultural resources. The proposed project area includes lands within Seneca County’s Agricultural District Number 6. The proposed actions within the Agricultural District are not expected to negatively impact the surrounding agricultural resources.

Impact on Historic and Archeological Resources – The proposed action may occur in or adjacent to a historic or archaeological resource. The proposed action may occur wholly or partially within, or substantially contiguous to, an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office archaeological site inventory.

Impact on Noise, Odor, and Light – The proposed action may result in an increase in noises, odors, or outdoor lighting, during construction activities only.

Impact on Noise, Odor and Light – The proposed action may result in an increase in noise, odors, or outdoor lighting. The proposed action may result in excavation or other disturbance within 2000 feet of a site used for the disposal of solid or hazardous waste.

2020-083

Councilman Pfeiffer made the motion for the Determination of Environmental Significance. Councilman Lotz seconded the motion. The resolution is as follows:

DETERMINATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE

WHEREAS, the Town of Waterloo Town Board (hereinafter referred to as Town Board) has determined the above referenced Action to be an Type 1 Action pursuant to Part 617 of the State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed and accepted the completed Full Environmental Assessment Form Parts 1, 2, and 3 on the Action prepared by the MRB Group; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has completed the coordinated review and public comment period provided for under the SEQR Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has designated itself as lead agency under the SEQR Regulations for making the determination of significance upon said action; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has given consideration to the criteria for determining significance as set forth in Section 617.7(c) (1) of the SEQR Regulations and the information contained in Full Environmental Assessment Form Parts 1, 2, and 3.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that said Action **WILL NOT** result in any significant adverse environmental impacts based on the review of the Full Environmental Assessment Form; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Town Board does hereby make a Determination of Non-Significance on said Action, and the Town Supervisor is hereby authorized to issue the Negative Declaration as evidence of the Town Board determination of environmental non-significance

AYE

Supervisor Trout
Councilman Pfeiffer
Councilman Strader
Councilman Thomas
Councilman Lotz

NAE

The motion was carried

2020-084

Councilman Thomas made the motion to set the 2021 Organizational Meeting on January 25th, 2021. Councilman Strader seconded the motion.

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| <u>AYE</u> | <u>NAE</u> |
| Supervisor Trout | |
| Councilman Pfeiffer | |
| Councilman Strader | |
| Councilman Thomas | |
| Councilman Lotz | |

The motion was carried

2020-085

Councilman Strader made the motion to reclassify the Account Clerk MSD220. This position will be changed from Clerk, part-time to full time Account Clerk. Councilman Pfeiffer seconded the motion.

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| <u>AYE</u> | <u>NAE</u> |
| Supervisor Trout | |
| Councilman Pfeiffer | |
| Councilman Strader | |
| Councilman Thomas | |
| Councilman Lotz | |

The motion was carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

There were no committee reports.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Highway Superintendent, Joe Mull said the new truck has arrived.

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS:

Supervisor Trout said he has been in contact with Mr. Michael Nozolio and the new Representative from Trelina and they are getting ready to begin their Pilot Agreements.

Town Attorney, Dennis Benjamin said he and MRB Representative, Sean Logue worked on the application to secure funding for intervenor funds for the application phase of the project. Attorney Benjamin said he believes it was approved. and he believes it was approved and the

Supervisor Trout asked, Mr. Patrick Nicoletta what the status is on the water meters. Mr. Nicoletta said he has sent documentation out regarding the insertor meters and the cost was less than what he said at the last meeting. He also said he reached out to the Town of Bethlehem and the City of Cohoes to see what their experience has been with these meters and has not heard back from them yet.

Mr. Nicoletta said the cost for four meters installed is approximately \$28,000.00 and they are 98 to 99% accurate. Pat said the battery pack will have to be replaced every 3 to 5 years and the cost is approximately \$1000.00.

2020-086

Councilman Lotz made the motion to add an additional \$20,000 to the South Pre-Emption Street Water District USDA Application. Councilman Strader seconded the motion.

AYE

Supervisor Trout
Councilman Pfeiffer
Councilman Strader
Councilman Thomas
Councilman Lotz

NAE

The motion was carried

2020-087

Councilman Pfeiffer made the motion to enter Executive Session to discuss the previous employment history of a previous employee. Councilman Strader seconded the motion.

AYE

Supervisor Trout
Councilman Pfeiffer
Councilman Strader
Councilman Thomas
Councilman Lotz

NAE

The motion was carried

The Town Board came out of Executive Session at 5:40 PM. and no action was taken.

2020-088

Councilman Lotz made the motion to immediately adjourn the meeting. Councilman Pfeiffer seconded the motion.

AYE

Supervisor Trout
Councilman Pfeiffer
Councilman Strader
Councilman Thomas
Councilman Lotz

NAE

The motion was carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandra L. Ridley
Town Clerk