TOWN BOARD PROCEEDINGS Minutes #2018-25 December 17, 2018

Supervisor Sheila M. Meegan called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with 30 seconds of silent prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Town Clerk Jacqueline Felser.

ROLL CALL:

Present - Sheila I

Sheila M. Meegan

Supervisor

Eugene P. Hart

Councilman

William P. Hanley, Jr.

Councilman

Absent - None

Supervisor Meegan read the Fire Prevention Code instructing the public where to exit in case of a fire or an emergency.

The meeting was dedicated to the memory of Diane Vitale, Dale Poole, Eileen Joseph and Ella Farrell.

25-A MINUTES TO BE APPROVED

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hart, to approve minutes from the December 3, 2018 work session.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to approve Minutes #2018-24 of December 3, 2018.

On the question, Councilman Hanley corrected Page 4, Paragraph 3 and stated the street should be Orchard Park Road, not Slade Avenue.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

25-B PUBLIC COMMENTS ON COMMUNICATIONS

No comments were received from the public.

25-C TABLED ITEMS

 Councilman Hart re Revision to Chapter 120 – Zoning Article IIA Industrial Park Overlay District Remained on the table.

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25-D COMMUNICATIONS

1. Supervisor Meegan re Retirement of Gregory Zimmerman Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to accept the retirement of General Crew Chief Gregory Zimmerman effective January 5, 2019 and authorize the Supervisor to complete and sign the necessary forms for Erie County Personnel.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

2. Town Clerk re Appointment of Diane Zubricky as part-time temporary records clerk

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hart, to appoint Diane Zubricky as part-time temporary records clerk at a rate of \$15 per hour effective December 18, 2018 – June 30, 2019 and authorize the Supervisor to complete and sign the necessary forms for Erie County Personnel.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

 Town Justices re Attendance at 2019 NYS Association of Towns Training & Conference

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to authorize court clerks Maryjean Fitzgerald, Julie Korczynski and Tammie Maurino to attend the 2019 Association of Towns Training & Conference in New York City on February 16-20, 2019 at a cost not to exceed \$1500 each, noting this training will satisfy the mandatory credit hours that all court clerks are required to get in 2019.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

4. Sr. Recreation Therapist of Sr. Services re Status change for Georgiann Busse to seasonal

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hart, to change the status of part-time clerk typist Georgiann Busse to part-time seasonal effective January 2 – February 1, 2019 and authorize the Supervisor to complete and sign the necessary forms for Erie County Personnel.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

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25-D COMMUNICATIONS

5. Sr. Recreation Therapist of Sr. Services re Status change for Janet Kropczynski to seasonal Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to change the status of part-time clerk typist Janet Kropczynski to part-time seasonal effective January 2 — February 1, 2019 and authorize the Supervisor to complete and sign the necessary forms for Erie County Personnel.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

6. Sr. Recreation Therapist of Sr. Services re Status change for Lee Ann Piniewski to seasonal

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hart, to change the status of part-time food service worker Lee Ann Piniewski to part-time seasonal effective January 2 — February 1, 2019 and authorize the Supervisor to complete and sign the necessary forms for Erie County Personnel.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

25-E REPORTS

- Jacqueline A Felser, Town Clerk's report for November 2018 received and filed.
- Jeffrey Schieber, Code Enforcement Officer's Building and Plumbing report for November 2018 received and filed.
- Friends of the Burchfield Nature & Art Center, 2018 annual report received and filed.

25-F APPROVAL OF WARRANT

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to approve the vouchers submitted for audit, chargeable to the respective funds as follows: General Fund - \$303,504.76; Highway Fund - \$103,412.95; Sewer Fund - \$4518.83; Gas Conversion - \$47.78; Electric Lighting - \$460.02 Capital Fund - \$7387.47 (vouchers 1- 1450).

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

ISSUES OF THE PUBLIC

 A Harwood Road resident commented on West Seneca Cares donations to nursing home residents and thanked those who donated.

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ISSUES OF THE PUBLIC

- An Indian Church Road resident commented/questioned the following:
 - ✓ Referred to the electrical inspector owning a business in West Seneca and questioned if he holds a master electrician license and if he is performing work within the town Code Enforcement Officer Jeffrey Schieber stated most towns do not require their electrical inspector to be licensed and the West Seneca electrical inspector does not hold a master electrician license in town, therefore, he cannot perform work in the town. The partner in the business holds the master electrician license in his name, only nine electrical permits were filed this year and the partner did the work which was then inspected by Mr. Schieber.
 - ✓ Commented the previous company used for electrical inspections did not send violation letters to residents that did not request an inspection; the current electrical inspector sends violation letters and he questioned how he would know of a violation without trespassing. Mr. Schieber responded inspectors do not trespass on property. Chapter 65 of the Town Code authorizes the electrical inspector to send violation letters as one of the duties of his position and only 60 electrical violation letters were sent for the entire year. Mr. Schieber further stated he contacted the previous electrical inspection company who provided the following figures approximately 475 electrical inspections per year were completed; average was \$90 per inspection; approximate total collected was \$45,000 per year.
- An Ashley Drive resident representing GPS Soccer expressed concerns about the way the West Seneca Soccer Complex is run and scheduled and believes the Flash organization is taking up all the time slots, noting Flash is a private organization and not from West Seneca. Town Attorney John Fenz stated the soccer park is typically scheduled on a first come, first served basis. Recreation Supervisor Lauren Masset stated all organizations were emailed the agreements and fees in January 2018, unfortunately GPS Soccer did not respond for three or four months and the fields were full from other organizations. No agreements have been filed to date for 2019. The West Seneca Soccer Club and West Seneca Central School District have first choice on reserving the soccer fields and a representative from the West Seneca Soccer Club assists the Recreation Department with scheduling. Councilman Hanley stated West Seneca residents have first preference for the soccer fields and Supervisor Meegan encouraged the resident to file their request as soon as possible.

PRESENTATION OF COMMUNICATIONS BY BOARD MEMBERS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

RECREATION SUPERVISOR LAUREN MASSET

Santa Claus will be arriving at open skate on December 23rd

COUNCILMAN HANLEY

- The town's third party administrator settled a worker's compensation case with an estimated savings of \$100,000 \$245,000.
- Honorable Shannon Filbert was awarded 2018 Woman Lawyer of the Year.

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PRESENTATION OF COMMUNICATIONS BY BOARD MEMBERS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

SUPERVISOR MEEGAN

- Reorganization Meeting will be held January 2, 2019 at 6 P.M. at the Community Room in the Community Center & Library followed by a regular Town Board meeting at 7 P.M.
- Spot Coffee is opening January 2, 2019

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to recess to executive session at 7:40 P.M. to discuss the Burchfield Center litigation.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

The board members returned from executive session at 8:00 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hart, to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 P.M.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

JACQUELINE A FELSER, TOWN CLERK