TOWN BOARD PROCEEDINGS Minutes #2019-19 September 23, 2019

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 Councilman Hart.

ROLL CALL:

Present - Sheila M. Meegan

Supervisor

Eugene P. Hart

Councilman

William P. Hanley, Jr.

Councilman

None Absent -

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

## 19-A MINUTES TO BE APPROVED

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hart, to approve minutes from the September 9, 2019 work session.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to approve Minutes #2019-18 of September 9, 2019.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hart, to approve minutes from the September 17, 2019 bid opening for Sidewalk Replacement Project – Zone 3.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

#### 19-B LEGAL NOTICES

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hart, that proofs of publication and 1. posting of legal notice: "OF A PUBLIC HEARING TO HEAR ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE USE OF FEDERAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUNDS" in the Town of West Seneca, be received and filed.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to open the public hearing.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

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### 19-D COMMUNICATIONS

## 11. (continued)

Whereas, Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law permits municipal corporations to enter into agreements for the performance among themselves or one for the other of their respective functions, powers, and duties, on a cooperative or contract basis; and

Whereas, the Town of West Seneca School District wishes to have school crossing guards in place for the protection of school children going to and from school; and

Whereas, Section 208-a of the General Municipal Law specifically authorizes town authorities to designate, authorize, appoint and set salaries for school crossing guards; and

Whereas, Section 208-a of the General Municipal Law specifically authorizes the District to enter into an agreement with the Town by which it pays for certain portions of the salaries of the school crossing guards serving students of the District; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, the Town Board of the Town of West Seneca authorizes the Supervisor to execute the Municipal Cooperation Agreement School Crossing Guards between the Town of West Seneca and West Seneca School District.

On the question, Councilman Hanley advised the school district will pay the full salary for eight crossing guards from September through December. For January through the end of the school year, the town and school district will split the cost.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

## <u>19-E REPORTS</u>

Jeffrey Schieber, Code Enforcement Officer's, building & plumbing report for August 2019 received and filed.

#### 19-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 - \$187,702.45; Highway Fund - \$74,814.04; Sewer Fund - \$4152.57; Electric Lighting - \$363.98 (vouchers 6520 - 7639)

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

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## **ISSUES OF THE PUBLIC**

- James Manley of the West Seneca Veterans Committee questioned/commented on the following:
  - ✓ Orders are being accepted for bricks in the Walkway of Freedom until February 15, 2020. Order forms are available at the West Seneca Library, West Seneca Town Clerk's Office, American Legion Post 735 and online at <a href="www.wsvets.org">www.wsvets.org</a>. A computer will be available in the veterans annex behind Spot Coffee to assist in locating individual bricks placed in the walkway.
  - ✓ Questioned the status of the World War I & World War II monuments Town Attorney Tina Hawthorne responded she spoke with cemetery officials and all that needs to be set up is the transfer. Councilman Hart expressed concern with the Howitzer cannon as well as the flag pole and possible damage with relocating.
- A resident from Union Square Senior Complex at French Road and Union Road commented on the Benderson Development project that has created a problem at their entrance and asked the town to look into the matter. Supervisor Meegan responded Code Enforcement Officer Jeffrey Baksa will investigate the issue and will be in touch with the resident.
- A resident of Burchfield patio homes questioned the status of garbage pickup in their development and if residents can request a small tote. Supervisor Meegan stated garbage pickup will begin in January 2020. A memorandum of agreement allowing town vehicles to go on private property must be worked out. Highway Sup't. Matthew English stated a large garbage tote will be distributed to everyone and the Highway Department will swap them out if desired.

#### PRESENTATION OF COMMUNICATIONS BY BOARD MEMBERS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

## **SUPERVISOR MEEGAN**

 Governor Cuomo is requesting that municipalities pay for cameras on school buses; the cost is approximately \$450 per bus with 72 buses needing cameras.

## RECREATION SUPERVISOR LAUREN MASSET

Open interviews will be held Wednesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M. for fall/winter hires

#### **TOWN ATTORNEY TINA HAWTHORNE**

Requested a public hearing on October 21, 2019 at 7 P.M. for Local Law No. 4, Tax Cap Override

#### **COUNCILMAN HANLEY**

• Kate Lockhart of WNY Law Center will be at the November 4<sup>th</sup> work session at 3:00 P.M. with an update on zombie homes.

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# PRESENTATION OF COMMUNICATIONS BY BOARD MEMBERS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to recess to executive session at 7:25 P.M. to discuss two police disciplinary issues.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

**Motion Carried** 

Board members returned from executive session at 7:55 P.M.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hart, to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 P.M.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

**Motion Carried** 

JACQUELINE A FELSER, TOWN CLERK