

MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING – EDEN TOWN BOARD
2795 EAST CHURCH STREET
EDEN, NEW YORK
SEPTEMBER 13, 2017
7:00 P.M.**

TOWN BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

MELISSA HARTMAN	-	SUPERVISOR
RICHARD S. VENTRY	-	COUNCILPERSON
MARY LOU PEW	-	COUNCILPERSON
SUSAN WILHELM	-	COUNCILPERSON
MICHAEL BYRNES	-	COUNCILPERSON (<i>Absent</i>)

DEPARTMENT HEADS PRESENT:

Stephen Waldvogel	-	Town Engineer
Ronald C. Maggs	-	Superintendent of Highways
Mike Hart	-	Eden Fire
Matt Blaszczyk	-	East Eden Fire
Robert Pietrocarlo	-	Chairman Board of Assessors
Ray Zabron	-	Dog Control Officer

OTHERS PRESENT:

William Trask	-	Town Attorney
Mary Jo Hultquist	-	Town Clerk
Debbie Gregoire	-	Administrative Assistant

Call to Order:

Supervisor Hartman called the Regular Meeting of the Eden Town Board to order at 7:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Supervisor Hartman led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. A moment of silence was observed for the deceased members of the community for the month of August, 2017, Jeffrey Kwilos, Harold Kaufman, Kenneth Knapp and Robert Trautwein.

Approval of Minutes:

Supervisor Hartman asked if there were any additions or corrections to the Town Board Minutes of August 9, 2017; there were none.

MOTION was made by Supervisor Hartman to approve the Town Board Minutes of August 9, 2017 as presented; seconded by Councilperson Wilhelm; All “Ayes”; Opposed? – None; Abstain? – None; Motion carried.

Petitions:

There were none.

Budget Transfers/Amendments:

Supervisor Hartman read the following Budget Transfers/Amendments:

From Account	To Account	Reason for Amendment	Amount
A3510.4 Dog Control Contractual	A3510.1 Dog Control Personal	Court Appearances – Dog Control Officer	\$180.00
A1990.4 Contingent Fund	A9040.8 Worker's Comp.	Assessment portion of Worker's Comp. Est. Low	\$700.00
A1990.4 Contingent Fund	A3989.4 Other Public Safety	Increase from Code Red Fliers	\$700.00

MOTION was made by Supervisor Hartman to approve the Budget Transfers/Amendments as presented; seconded by Councilperson Wilhelm; All “Ayes”; Opposed? - None; Abstain? - None; Motion carried.

Audit Bills:

Supervisor Hartman asked if there were any changes or additions to the “Audit of Bills” which are on file in the Town Clerk’s office. There were none.

DESCRIPTION	VOUCHER NUMBERS	AMOUNT
General Fund	506-583	\$61,365.13
Highway Dept. Fund	190-215	\$132,873.96
Fire Dept. Fund	162-187	\$28,354.22
Recreation Dept. Fund	130-145	\$4,031.81
Refuse and Garbage Fund	13-16	\$78,774.46
Street Lights Fund	19-21	\$4,307.02
Water Fund	19-21	\$3,942.01
Trust & Agency Fund	--	--
Capital Fund		
H3410.405	15-17	\$509,967.65
H8320.406	9-11	\$73,480.84
Community Development	--	--

MOTION was made by Councilperson Pew to approve the Audit of Bills as presented; seconded by Supervisor Hartman; All “Ayes”? Opposed? – None; Abstain? – None; Motion carried.

Departmental Reports:

Department reports for the month of August 2017 were presented by Mike Hart for Joe Hart, Eden Fire Chief; Matt Blaszczyk for Scott Hunter, East Eden Fire Chief; Supervisor Hartman for Michael Felschow, Eden Police Chief; Ray Zabron, Dog Control Officer; Ronald Maggs, Superintendent of Highways; William Trask, Town Attorney; Mary Jo Hultquist, Town Clerk; Supervisor Hartman for Jesse Baker, Zoning Code Enforcement Officer; Supervisor Hartman for Amy Porter, Recreation Director; Robert Pietrocarlo, Chairman Board of Assessors and Supervisor Hartman for Joe Ghosen, GIS Consultant. All reports are on file in the Town Clerk’s office.

Matt Blaszczyk for Scott Hunter, East Eden Fire Chief requested adding Michael Reding to the active roster of the East Eden Fire Company, Inc., pending physical and background check.

MOTION was made by Supervisor Hartman to add Michael Reding to the active roster of the East Eden Fire Company, Inc., pending physical and background check; seconded by Councilperson Pew; All “Ayes”; Opposed? - None; Abstain? - None; Motion carried.

Ron Maggs, Highway Superintendent requested permission to help the Eden Athletic Association with repairs to the backstop at the legion baseball field.

MOTION was made by Supervisor Hartman to grant permission to Ron Maggs, Highway Superintendent to help the Eden Athletic Association with repairs to the backstop at the legion baseball field; seconded by Councilperson Wilhelm; All “Ayes”; Opposed? - None; Abstain? - None; Motion carried.

New and Unfinished Business:

1. Award Refuse/Recycling Bid

Supervisor Hartman read the following bid results:

Bidders	Amount	Bid Bond
Modern Corporation	\$617,847.28	Bid Bond
Waste Management	\$515,682.60	Bid Bond
Republic Services	\$544,108.92	Bid Bond

After much discussion, the following motion was offered:

MOTION was made by Supervisor Hartman to award the Refuse and Recycling Bid to Waste Management at \$515,682.60, a five-year contract; seconded by Councilperson Wilhelm; “Ayes”; Hartman, Pew, Wilhelm; Opposed? - Ventry; Abstain? - None; Motion carried.

2. Acknowledge Special Use Permit Request – 8800 S. Main Street

Supervisor Hartman read the following acknowledge:

“Acknowledge receipt of Special Use Permit request from Robert Hornberger for 8800 S. Main Street. The Town would like to declare lead agency and refer to the Planning Board for review and comments.”

3. Set Public Hearing – Community Development Block Grant

Supervisor Hartman read the following:

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice to the Citizens of the Town of Eden:

A Public Hearing will be held on October 11, 2017 at 7:30 pm at the Town Hall regarding the use of Federal Community Development funds on the Town of Eden.

The Town of Eden is eligible for a Federal Community Development Grant under Title 1 of the House and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

The purpose of the Hearing is to provide an opportunity for citizens to express community development and housing needs and to discuss possible projects which would benefit low and moderate-income persons in the Town of Eden.

Citizens are urged to attend this meeting to make known their views and/or written proposals on the Town of Eden's selection of potential projects to be submitted for possible funding by the Federal Community Development Grant Program.

The Hearing will also present a review of prior Community Development projects and expenditures and a discussion of eligible activities. The meeting room is wheelchair accessible. Those needing special arrangements should call the Town of Eden at (716) 992-3408 by October 6, 2017.

MOTION was made by Councilperson Ventry to set the Public Hearing for the Community Development Block Grant for October 11, 2017 at 7:30 pm at the Eden Town Hall; seconded by Supervisor Hartman; All “Ayes”; Opposed? - None; Abstain? - None; Motion carried.

4. Eden Recreation Department – Pickle ball Court

Supervisor Hartman read the following correspondence from Jack Cuddihy, Chairman of the Eden Recreation Advisory Board:

“It is the recommendation of the Eden Recreation Advisory Board to repair and repave the present basketball court at Minekime Park and convert the space into Pickle ball Courts. In addition to paving, the area will be painted, lined, posts will be inserted and nets attached creating three courts to be used by all. This game has become very popular in schools, has taken off in many local communities, including senior centers and around the country. This game is multi-generational and is able to be played at various ability levels. The construction of these courts at Minekime would allow our residents to stay and play in Eden with minimal travel and time restraints. The location could be used from dawn to dusk and would utilize one of our beautiful parks.

The Town of Eden Highway in conjunction with the Eden Recreation department would do the majority of the work, but would need to hire out for installing the posts. If the weather cooperates the project would begin this fall. If we have a wet fall, the repair/repaving would begin in the spring. The funds for his project would be coming from available money from this years budget with use of unrestricted reserves for the balance. If the project cannot be completed until spring, the funds from this year will be encumbered for next year.

Project Breakdown:

Repair and Repave including materials and time: \$5000.00
Post installed: \$500.00
Permanent Net Posts: \$800.00
Permanent Nets: \$450.00
Pickle Pave Coating: \$1,500.00
Marking Paint: \$50.00

Total: \$8,300.00

Discussion: Councilperson Pew stated that grants were applied for and not received. Councilperson Ventry stated that this amount was not budgeted for this year or in the new 2018 budget. Supervisor Hartman stated that there is money in the 2017 budget to cover the costs. Councilperson Wilhelm stated that with the absence of the adult exercise program for the last two years, the senior population has been under-served. This would be an activity that would suit them and stay in the Town of Eden.

After much discussion the following motion was offered:

MOTION was made by Supervisor Hartman to approve the \$8,300.00 for Pickle Ball courts to be constructed at Minekime Park; seconded by Councilperson Wilhelm; “Ayes”; Hartman, Pew, Wilhelm; Opposed? - Ventry; Abstain? - None; Motion carried.

5. Fire Budget Vote – October 25, 2017

Supervisor Hartman stated that the Fire Budget Vote will be held on October 25, 2017 at 7:00 pm, this is informational.

6. Set Public Hearing – Town Budget

MOTION was made by Councilperson Pew to set the Public Hearing for the 2018 Town Budget for November 8, 2017 at 7:30 pm; seconded by Councilperson Wilhelm; All “Ayes”; Opposed? - None; Abstain? - None; Motion carried.

7. Public Notice – Agricultural District Annual Enrollment Period

Supervisor Hartman read the following Public Notice:

30-Day Period for Inclusion of
Predominantly Viable Agricultural Lands
Into Existing Agricultural Districts

Per New York State Agriculture and Markets Law Section 303-b, the Erie County Legislature designated September 1 through September 30 as the annual thirty-day period during which landowners may submit requests to include predominantly viable agricultural land into an existing certified agricultural district.

Copies of the application form have been provided to Municipal Clerks, Assessors, and Chief Elected Officials for distribution to interested landowners. The application is also available on the DEP website at: www.erie.gov/environment.

The Erie County Department of Environment and Planning will accept applications from September 1 through September 30. Any questions on this process should be directed to the Erie County Department of Environment and Planning.

A public hearing will also be scheduled at a later ate to consider all inclusion requests and the recommendations of the Erie County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board.

8. GHD – Proposal for 8572 N. Main Street

MOTION was made by Supervisor Hartman to approve the proposal from GHD for the Structural Evaluation for 8572 N. Main Street in the amount of \$4,000.00, which will be reimbursed by the property owner at 8572 N. Main Street; seconded by Councilperson Ventry; All “Ayes”; Opposed? - None; Abstain? - None; Motion carried.

9. Emergency Replacement Proposal

MOTION was made by Supervisor Hartman to approve the purchase of a new Mitsubishi unit for heating and cooling the Records Room in the amount of \$4,750.00, as recommended by Ron Maggs, Building Maintenance Manager; seconded by Councilperson Pew; All “Ayes”; Opposed? - None; Abstain? - None; Motion carried.

10. Insurance renewal

MOTION was made by Councilperson Ventry to renew the Insurance with Selective Insurance at a cost of \$81,184.74; seconded by Supervisor Hartman; All “Ayes”; Opposed? - None; Abstain? - None; Motion carried.

Supervisor’s Report:

- Congratulations to Eden Emergency and Rescue Squad on receiving a top award in Erie-Wyoming Counties and being named this year's agency of the year. More than 100 agencies in Erie-Wyoming counties were eligible for the award. The Eden squad , with three ambulances, a fly car and rescue truck, has provided continuous pre-hospital emergency medical care to the community for over 50 years. Members in the paramedic-level organization respond to about 700 calls each year.
- Congratulations to Councilperson Mike Byrnes on the birth of his son, Landon on 8/10/17.

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- Grant received – Unified Solar in the amount of \$2,500, with thanks to Kristin Kent for her efforts in obtaining this grant.
- Councilperson Pew stated that a Community Building Advisory Committee meeting will be held on 9/20/17 at the Town Hall.

Hearing of Visitors:

There were none.

Adjournment:

MOTION was made by Councilperson Pew to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Eden Town Board; seconded by Councilperson Wilhelm; All – “Ayes”; Opposed? – None; Abstain? – None; Motion carried.

Supervisor Hartman adjourned the Regular Meeting of the Eden Town Board at 8:10 P.M.

Executive Session and Budget Sessions:

Supervisor Hartman adjourned the Executive Session of the Eden Town Board Meeting at 10:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by,

Mary Jo Hultquist
Town Clerk