

TOWN BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Steven J. Walters	Supervisor
Michael Quinn	Councilman
Cheryl Potter-Juda	Councilwoman

ALSO PRESENT: Catherine A. Rybczynski, Town Clerk; Mary Dosch, Sr. Account Clerk; Walter Rooth III, Town Attorney; Michael Williams, Chief of Police; Christopher Hull, Director of Community Development; Robert Hutchison, Town Assessor; Tom Taylor, Sr. Public Safety Dispatcher; Sarah desJardins, Planning Consultant; Amy Ziegler, Deputy Supervisor

Christopher Hull, Director of Community Development, comments that he has resolutions on the agenda that are normal housekeeping items for his Department. They are done every year in March and early April. With the reduced meeting schedule for April he had to submit them all tonight. He is pleased to say that this year he is hosting Fair Housing Proclamation Day. If anyone is interested in coming let him know so he can get them on the agenda for that day. With the Home Investment Partnership Program they have the opportunity to do one of two things this year. They can either keep the consortium they are in with Erie County and be assured of \$75,000 to \$80,000 a year in funding for housing rehab or they could not go in with the County and go back and apply for it through New York State were they could get up to \$250,000 a year. The difference is the money is almost guaranteed with the County and with New York State you take a chance in the application pool. He then explains the process with the County and comments that his recommendation would be to apply to the State.

The Town Board agrees to apply to the State.

Robert Hutchison, Town Assessor, comments that he has one item on the agenda concerning an employee, Debbie Ginnetti. They have been shifting her back and forth between part-time and part time seasonal. Because of the restriction with Erie County Civil Service, they cannot keep an employee on seasonal for more than 5 months. Fred Kingsbury will be retiring as of May 1st and would like to stay on as a consultant. In the meantime he will need another person in the office and he would like to bring Ms. Ginnetti in as a full time clerk. As far as he knows there is no Civil Service list and she would have to take the test. That is his recommendation to the Town Board.

Councilman Quinn responds that he spoke with Mr. Hutchison and he thinks that this is a good idea.

Mr. Hutchison comments that Ms. Ginnetti is a hard worker and a good fit for the office. He then discusses the details of Mr. Kingsbury's consulting position and the full time position for Ms. Ginnetti.

Sarah desJardins comments on the Brian Bates rezoning. As a result of the public hearing they did make a change to the rezoning request. He is now asking to rezone 2.9 acres and leave the rest alone. He will build a house facing Heltz Road and does not need the other portion of the property. If the Town Board wants the code review committee to look at that area let them know.

Supervisor Walters comments that they do need to look at that area. There are a lot of large homes where the property is zoned C-2 and they need to get them to the proper designation, which would be R-A.

Ms. desJardins comments that the Lockwood's public hearing is on the agenda. Kurt Allen did go inspect the property and feels they are in compliance with the conditions. He will be at the meeting to answer questions. She also prepared a resolution to approve the rezoning if they choose to do that.

Supervisor Walters comments that normally when they hold a public hearing, if there are comments that need to be addressed, they wait at least two weeks before approving. However, because this is the second public hearing they talked about approving it the same night. They need to decide whether they will approve or wait until the next meeting. It will depend on whether there are any comments.

Tom Taylor questions if anyone had a question about a late resolution he submitted for the meeting in regards to the purchase of radio equipment.

Councilman Quinn questions if this is an upgrade to the system.

Mr. Taylor responds yes, right now they are on a high band radio system for Highway and B & G, Fire is UHF, Police is UHF and to abide by 911 mandates they want to move Highway and B & G to UHF. He wants to upgrade Highway this year and the B & G trucks next year.

Councilman Potter-Juda questions if the \$43,000 is just for the Highway Department.

Mr. Taylor responds yes it is only for Highway. If he has money left in the account he will purchase equipment for the B & G foreman for the summer. If he purchases before the 31st of March he will get \$40.00 off per radio which should add up to over \$2,000.00.

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On a motion of Supervisor Walters, seconded by Councilman Quinn, the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes	3	Walters, Quinn, Potter-Juda
	Noes	0	

RESOLVED, that the Town Board move into Executive Session at 6:28 pm on a personnel matter and legal matter pending litigation.