

Supervisor Walters calls the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

TOWN BOARD MEMBERS

PRESENT:	Steven J. Walters	Supervisor
	D. Mark Cavalcoli	Councilman
	Kathleen C. Hochul	Councilwoman
	Joan A. Kesner	Councilwoman
	Thomas Quatroche, Jr.	Councilman

OTHERS PRESENT: Catherine Rybczynski, Town Clerk
Richard Boehm, Deputy Town Attorney; James Spute, Finance Director

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

ADOPTED	Ayes 5	Walters, Cavalcoli, Hochul, Kesner, Quatroche
	Noes 0	

1.

WHEREAS, the Town of Hamburg, in collaboration with the Village of Blasdell and the Village of Hamburg, seeks grant monies in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 to consolidate Code Enforcement Officer positions in the Villages of Hamburg and Blasdell through the creation of a single Code Enforcement Office in the Town of Hamburg;

WHEREAS, the Town of Hamburg and its partners, the Village of Blasdell and the Village of Hamburg, are committed to reducing the cost of municipal services, while remaining committed to providing existing levels of code enforcement services in all three municipalities;

WHEREAS, the Town of Hamburg and its partners, the Village of Blasdell and the Village of Hamburg, are seeking capital funds to create a central Code Enforcement Office in the Hamburg Town Hall for this consolidation to achieve municipal cost savings and property tax relief;

WHEREAS, the Town of Hamburg and its partners, the Village of Blasdell and the Village of Hamburg,, will share in the decision-making processes related to the Code Enforcement Office Consolidation;

WHEREAS, the Hamburg Town Board supports the creation of a consolidated Code Enforcement Office and will continue to provide this service to the Villages of Hamburg and Blasdell in perpetuity;

WHEREAS, the Town of Hamburg will serve as the lead agency for the purposes of

securing and administering this grant, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Hamburg will provide the 10% cash match required by this grant program in this category, in an amount not to exceed \$20,000;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Hamburg authorizes Town Supervisor Steven J. Walters as the Lead Applicant Contact Person to represent the Town of Hamburg and execute all financial and administrative processes related to the 2006-2007 Shared Municipal Services Incentive Grant with the Village of Hamburg, the Village of Blasdell, and New York State Department of State to make capital improvements required to consolidate the Code Enforcement Office for the Town of Hamburg, the Village of Blasdell and the Village of Hamburg.

Councilwoman Kesner questions if the Town Code Enforcement Office has taken over the enforcement of the Village of Hamburg and if the Village of Hamburg is paying the Town for that service.

Supervisor Walters responds that they have taken over enforcement and that they are receiving money from the Village of Hamburg for that service.

On a motion of Councilwoman Kesner, seconded by Councilwoman Hochul, the following resolution was

TABLED	Ayes	5	Walters, Cavalcoli, Hochul, Kesner, Quatroche
	Noes	0	

2.

WHEREAS, the Town of Hamburg, in collaboration with the Village of Blasdell and the Village of Hamburg, seeks grant monies in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 to study the feasibility and cost saving potential of forming a local healthcare consortium;

WHEREAS, the Town of Hamburg and its partners, the Village of Blasdell and the Village of Hamburg, are committed to reducing the cost of healthcare for active and retired employees while remaining committed to providing existing levels of healthcare benefits for active and retired employees;

WHEREAS, the Town of Hamburg and its partners, the Village of Blasdell and the Village of Hamburg, are seeking funds for this feasibility study to guide decision making regarding the types of health insurance that can be provided for active and retired employees that will lead to municipal cost savings and property tax relief;

WHEREAS, the Town of Hamburg and its partners, the Village of Blasdell and the Village of Hamburg,, will share in the decision-making processes related to the Local Healthcare Insurance Consortium Feasibility Study as well as the design and management of the study;

WHEREAS, the Hamburg Town Board supports the creation of a local healthcare consortium and will provide every consideration for implementing components of the study deemed appropriate for the Town of Hamburg;

WHEREAS, the Village of Hamburg will serve as the lead agency for the purposes of securing and administering this grant, and

WHEREAS, there is no cash match required by this grant program in this category;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Hamburg authorizes Town Supervisor Steven J. Walters as the Applicant Contact Person to represent the Town of Hamburg and execute all financial and administrative processes related to the 2006-2007 Shared Municipal Services Incentive Grant with the Village of Hamburg, the Village of Blasdell, and New York State Department of State to study the feasibility of creating a local healthcare consortium.

Councilwoman Kesner, comments that there are a few questions that need to be answered before the above resolution can be passed, specifically why the Village Hamburg would be lead agent and why the cost would be \$500,000.

On a motion of Supervisor Walters, seconded by Councilwoman Hochul, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Walters, Cavalcoli, Hochul, Kesner, Quatroche
 Noes 0

3.

WHEREAS, the Town of Hamburg, in collaboration with the Village of Blasdell and the Village of Hamburg, seeks grant monies in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 to make capital improvements to the Blasdell Community Center to house a Youth Center, Reading Room, Tiny Tots Program, Tutoring Program and Community Meeting Room.

WHEREAS, the Town of Hamburg and its partners, the Village of Blasdell and the Village of Hamburg, are committed to establishing a centralized location for a variety of youth and adult programs that are either lacking in the three communities or need to be expanded in the three communities;

WHEREAS, the Town of Hamburg and its partners, the Village of Blasdell and the Village of Hamburg, will share in the decision-making processes related to the operation and maintenance of the Blasdell Community Center, as well as the design and management of the programs offered therein;

WHEREAS, the Hamburg Town Board supports the creation of a centralized Community Center and understands that the Village of Blasdell will serve as the lead agency for the purposes of securing and administering this grant, and

WHEREAS, the Village of Blasdell will provide a 10% cash match for the Blasdell Community Center Project;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Hamburg authorizes Town Supervisor Steven J. Walters as the Applicant Contact Person to represent the Town of Hamburg and execute all financial and administrative processes related to the 2006-2007 Shared Municipal Services Incentive Grant with the Village of Blasdell, the Village of Hamburg and New York State Department of State to make capital improvements to the Blasdell Community Center.

On a motion of Councilwoman Hochul, seconded by Supervisor Walters, the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes 5	Walters, Cavalcoli, Hochul, Kesner, Quatroche
	Noes 0	

4.

WHEREAS, Hydro-Air Components, Inc. (Hydro-Air) is a manufacturer of Hydronic heating and cooling products. The company has been in business since 1982, with its origin dating back to 1946, when the company began as Rittling Heat Transfer. Hydro-Air serves the commercial and industrial construction market throughout North America, and

WHEREAS, space requirements as well as other business considerations prevented Hydro-Air's operation from remaining at 4950 Camp Road, Hamburg, beyond 2006, and

WHEREAS, Hydro-Air met with the State of North Carolina and the State of Pennsylvania and similar agencies from other states prior to receiving a proposal to remain in New York State in close proximity to Hamburg, and

WHEREAS, Hydro-Air is planning to acquire 33 acres of the former Steelfields brownfield site on Tiff Street, Buffalo and construct a new 152,700 square foot facility. Investment in acquisition of property and cost of construction, equipment, furniture and other related expenses will total \$9.325 million and

WHEREAS, Hydro-Air will retain 114 jobs and the company will add 200 jobs over three years. The average wages of the manufacturing jobs is \$29,000 and \$51,000 for administrative positions, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has heard public comments that extraordinary circumstances existed to warrant the relocation of Hydro-Air's operation into the Buffalo Empire Zone as a Regionally Significant Project.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Hamburg consents to the relocation of Hydro-Air Components, Inc. from the Town of Hamburg to the City of Buffalo Empire Zone.

On a motion of Councilwoman Kesner, seconded by Councilman Quatroche, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Walters, Cavalcoli, Hochul, Kesner, Quatroche
 Noes 0

5.

WHEREAS, the Town of Hamburg will receive federal Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment Partnership funds for use in the 2007 program year, and

WHEREAS, citizen participation is requested in the development of community needs and to review program performance.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hamburg Town Board authorize public hearings on the use of Community Development Block Grant and HOME program funding to be set for Tuesday, October 10, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. and Wednesday, November 15, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Development Conference Room and that all appropriate notices be published.

On a motion of Councilman Cavalcoli, seconded by Councilman Quatroche, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Walters, Cavalcoli, Hochul, Quatroche
 Noes 1 Kesner

6.

WHEREAS, the Town of Hamburg has received a request from Morado Bay Associates to rezone 36.15 acres of vacant land located on the north side of Southwestern Boulevard between Sowles Road and Howard Road from R-2, R-3, & C-1 to C-2, General Commercial, and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the applicant to construct a 139,410 s.f. Lowe's store, and

WHEREAS, in compliance with Part 617 of the implementing regulations pertaining to Article 8 (State Environmental Quality Review Act - SEQRA) of the Environmental Conservation Law, the

Town of Hamburg has reviewed the application,
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Hamburg will seek Lead Agency status and initiate a Coordinated review of this application.

Councilwoman Kesner comments that she is concerned about the residents on Oregon Road.

On a motion of Councilwoman Kesner, seconded by Councilman Cavalcoli, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Walters, Cavalcoli, Hochul, Kesner, Quatroche
 Noes 0

7.
RESOLVED, that the Town Board approve the membership of the following into the Big Tree Volunteer Firemen's Co., Inc:

Ashley Conrad
3450 Howard Road, Lot 116
Hamburg, N.Y. 14075

On a motion of Supervisor Walters, seconded by Councilwoman Kesner, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Walters, Cavalcoli, Hochul, Kesner, Quatroche
 Noes 0

8.
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is authorized to advertise for a public hearing on the 2007 Town of Hamburg Budget. The hearing is to be scheduled for November 6, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. local time.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is authorized to advertise for a public hearing on the 2007 Capital Improvements Program. The hearing is to be scheduled for November 6, 2006 at 7:15 p.m. local time.

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Walters, Cavalcoli, Hochul, Kesner, Quatroche
 Noes 0

9.

WHEREAS, it has been determined to dissolve the Erie County Southtowns Sewage Treatment Agency, and

WHEREAS, the duties of the Erie County Southtowns Sewage Treatment Agency will be transferred to Erie County Sewer District No. 3,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is authorized to sign the Agreement between the Town of Hamburg and the County of Erie transferring the duties, responsibilities, assets and liabilities of the Erie County Southtowns Sewage Treatment Agency to Erie County Sewer District No. 3.

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Walters, Cavalcoli, Hochul, Kesner, Quatroche
 Noes 0

10.

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approve the termination of personnel for the Public Safety Dispatch as follows:

1. Cervoni, Paul Public Safety Dispatch P/T 09/19/2006 Terminate

On a motion of Councilman Quatroche, seconded by Supervisor Walters, the following

13. Cheslak, Joseph	A7270(238)	09/23/2006	Terminate
14. Cheslak, Joseph	A7270(238)	09/24/2006	\$6.75 P/T
	Rec. Attendant		
15. Wilk, Peter	A7270(238)	10/07/2006	Terminate
16. Wilk, Peter	A7270(238)	10/08/2006	\$7.25 P/T
	Rec. Attendant		
17. Steger, Andrew	B7310(320)	10/14/2006	Terminate
18. Steger, Andrew	B7310(320)	10/15/2006	\$9.37 P/T
	Rec. Attendant		
19. DiOrio, Christine	ER7251(225)	10/12/2006	Terminate
20. DiOrio, Christine	ER7251(225)	10/13/2006	\$10.04 P/T
21. Omphalius, Ellen	ER7251(225)	10/07/2006	Terminate
22. Omphalius, Ellen	ER7251(225)	10/08/2006	\$8.00 P/T
23. Melewski, Mark	B7310(320)	09/24/2006	Terminate
24. Melewski, Mark	ER7251(225)	09/25/2006	\$8.00 P/T
	Rec. Attendant		

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Walters, Cavalcoli, Hochul, Kesner, Quatroche
 Noes 0

13.

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approve the Audit of Cash Disbursements as follows:

		VOUCHER #S
OPERATING FUND:		
BATCH #137	\$700,000.00	14163 - 14164
BATCH #138	\$224,648.94	14165 - 14255
BATCH #139	\$ 29,923.50	UNPROCESSED
PRTRN P/R 19	\$531,458.33	
TOTAL OPERATING FUND DISBURSEMENTS:		\$1,486,030.77

TRUST & AGENCY:

BATCH #46 \$ 14,002.65

BATCH #47 \$519,951.35

TOTAL TRUST & AGENCY DISBURSEMENTS: \$ 533,954.00

CAPITAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS:

BATCH #61	\$100,297.59	14158 - 14160
BATCH #62	\$900,000.00	14161 - 14162
BATCH #63	\$ 1,003.50	UNPROCESSED

TOTAL CAPITAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS: \$1,001,301.09

PAYROLL:

PR # P/R 19 \$494,639.51

TOTAL PAYROLL DISBURSEMENTS: \$ 494,639.51

TOTAL CASH DISBURSEMENTS SUBMITTED FOR AUDIT: \$3,515,925.37

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

ADOPTED	Ayes 5	Walters, Cavalcoli, Hochul, Kesner, Quatroche
	Noes 0	

14.

RESOLVED, that the Town Board move into Executive Session at 6:35 p.m.

On a motion of Supervisor Walters, seconded by Councilwoman Hochul, the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes 5	Walters, Cavalcoli, Hochul, Kesner, Quatroche
	Noes 0	

14.

RESOLVED, that the Town Board close Executive Session at 8:00 p.m.

Catherine Rybczynski, Town Clerk