

Regular Town Board Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Van Buren, held on December 19, 2017 at 7:30 pm at the Van Buren Town Hall, 7575 Van Buren Road, Baldwinsville, New York.

Present:

Mr. Rick Zaccaria	Councilor
Ms. Darcie Lesniak	Councilor
Ms. Mary Frances Sabin	Councilor
Mr. Howard Tupper	Councilor
Mr. Ronald Dudzinski	Councilor
Ms. Patricia Dickman	Councilor
Mr. Claude Sykes	Supervisor

Also present:

Mr. Wendy Reese	Town Attorney
Mr. Jason Hoy	Town Engineer
Mr. Doug Foster	Highway Superintendent
Ms. Lynn Precourt	Town Clerk

Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call.

Approve minutes of the Regular Town Board meeting on December 5, 2017:

235-17-000 MOTION BY Ms. Dickman, seconded by Ms. Sabin, to approve the minutes of the Regular Town Board meeting on December 5, 2017 as published.

Mr. Zaccaria – Yes, Ms. Lesnisk – Yes, Ms. Sabin – Yes, Mr. Tupper – Yes, Mr. Dudzinski – Yes, Ms. Dickman – Yes, Mr. Sykes – Yes

All Ayes – Motion Carried & Adopted

Consider request for lowering speed limit on Kingdom Road between Daboll Road and Perry Road:

Mr. Sykes said he received an email from a resident on Kingdom Road who is concerned about the 55 mph speed limit in light of the increase in residential housing and amount of slow moving farm equipment that use this road.

236-17-046 MOTION BY Mr. Dudzinski, seconded by Ms. Lesniak, to forward the speed limit reduction request for Kingdom Road between Daboll Road and Perry Road from 55 mph to 45 mph to NYSDOT and Onondaga County DOT.

Mr. Zaccaria – Yes, Ms. Lesnisk – Yes, Ms. Sabin – Yes, Mr. Tupper – Yes, Mr. Dudzinski – Yes, Ms. Dickman – Yes, Mr. Sykes – Yes

All Ayes – Motion Carried & Adopted

Assessor's Report:

STAR CHANGES:

Ms. Golden said the 2016 State budget has eliminated all new Star exemptions (Basic and Enhanced) starting with the 2016 assessment roll. Star exemptions are “grandfathered” for existing property owners with exemptions in place prior to 2016. New owners will register with DTF online or by phone for the Star Income Tax credit / check. Property owners will be required to pay their school bill in full and will receive the Star savings by check from DTF. The Assessor's office can no longer accept new Star applications. Checks are being mailed to qualified property owners. Update: Letters requesting income information are being mailed, this is needed to calculate tax credit checks.

The County Clerk's office has updated to a new program which will effect deed processing by tax mapping and the Assessor's Office. Update: The switch has occurred and deeds are uploaded into V-4 at the County. This has not made the process faster, because of missing and incorrect information. The program also has an issue with street deeds, new parcels, and multiple owners. Every deed imputed must be checked and corrections made when indicated.

The State ORPTS is developing a new computer program to replace RPS V-4. The program is being tested at locations across the state No date has been set for the conversion at this time. Update the new system will be call ACES.

All exemption renewals for 2018 will be mailed by years end. Exemptions are being processed as received for the 2018 assessment roll.

Valuation update 2018: Commercial sale arrays have been completed including countywide sales for past 5 years. Residential review has indicated 6 neighborhoods for reappraisal in 2018 (1174 properties). To date 3 neighborhoods have been completed.

Ms. Golden said she attached her continuing education status report dated 12/11/2017. Requirements met thru September 2018, including ethics recertification.

Ms. Dickman asked what areas in the town will be re-assessed.

Ms. Golden said the newer area of Village Green and the townhomes, Seneca Knolls, Pottery/Walters Roads.

Authorize engineer to effect a repair of the pumps at Interstate Island II sewer pump station at a cost of \$2609.08:

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237-17-045 MOTION BY Mr. Zaccaria, seconded by Ms. Dickman, to authorize the engineer to effect a repair of the pumps at Interstate Island II sewer pump station at a cost of \$2609.08.

Mr. Zaccaria – Yes, Ms. Lesnisk – Yes, Ms. Sabin – Yes, Mr. Tupper – Yes, Mr. Dudzinski – Yes, Ms. Dickman – Yes, Mr. Sykes – Yes

All Ayes – Motion Carried & Adopted

Councilor Committee Reports and Comments:

Ms. Dickman wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Mr. Dudzinski said he was able to obtain the insurance binder for the snowmobile club in Camillus.

Highway Superintendent Comments: None

Supervisor Comments: None

Engineer Comments: None

Attorney Comments: None

Citizens Comments: None

238-17-000 MOTION BY Ms. Sabin, seconded by Ms. Dickman, to adjourn to the Organizational Meeting on January 2, 2018 at 7:00 pm.

Mr. Zaccaria – Yes, Ms. Lesnisk – Yes, Ms. Sabin – Yes, Mr. Tupper – Yes, Mr. Dudzinski – Yes, Ms. Dickman – Yes, Mr. Sykes – Yes

All Ayes – Motion Carried & Adopted

Meeting closed 7:38 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Precourt, Town Clerk

Dated: 12/20/17