

Regular Town Board Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Van Buren, held on July 19, 2016 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

Mr. Kevin Gilligan	Town Attorney
Mr. Jason Hoy	Town Engineer
Ms. Lynn Precourt	Town Clerk

Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call.

Citizens Comments: None

Approve minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting on July 5, 2016:

140-16-000 MOTION BY Ms. Dickman, seconded by Mr. Dudzinski, to approve the minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting on July 5, 2016 as published.

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

Motion Carried & Adopted

Receive sprinkler bids for 3417 Walters Road:

Mr. Sykes said two bids were submitted, one from Davis Ulmer for \$43,800 and one from SRI Fire Sprinkler in the amount of \$52,495.

141-16-026 MOTION BY Mr. Tupper, seconded by Mr. Dudzinski, to receive the two sprinkler bids for 3417 Walters Road.

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

Motion Carried & Adopted

Award sprinkler bids for 3417 Walters Road:

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142-16-026 MOTION BY Mr. Tupper, seconded by Mr. Dudzinski, to award the sprinkler bid for 3417 Walters Road to Davis Ulmer in the amount of \$43,800.

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

Motion Carried & Adopted

Authorize Engineer to prepare and issue bid documents for the concrete floor, in-floor heating and oil/water separator for 3417 Walters Road with bids due August 12, 2016 at 10:00 am:

143-16-054 MOTION BY Mr. Dudzinski, seconded by Ms. Lesniak, to authorize Engineer to prepare and issue bid documents for the concrete floor, in-floor heating and oil/water separator for 3417 Walters Road with bids due August 12, 2016 at 10:00 am.

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

Motion Carried & Adopted

Assessor's Report:

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. All effected property owners have been notified by the Assessor's Office.

The State reports that 102,000 property owners registered by the July 1<sup>st</sup> deadline to receive a check this fall. Property owners may still register, but the checks may be delayed.

The Star exemptions in Floral Park have been converted to the check/credit program. The Park will no longer mail checks for Star savings to unit owners. The State will now determine the amounts and mail checks directly to the unit owners. The check amounts will be the same for all owners. If existing exemptions had remained the check amounts would have been different. The rules for calculation were different, and changed for this new program.

The Assessor's office is notifying all new property owners as deeds are received of the changes to the Star program. Ms. Golden attached flyer that is mailed to all new owners, instead of the Star application to her report for the Board.

Grievance Day was held on May 24th, 2016. A total of 11 property owners scheduled appointments or submitted paperwork only. To date, one Certiori Case has been filed and no Small Claims.

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On June 14<sup>th</sup> the State established the Tentative 2016 equalization rate at 100%.

The 2016 Final Assessment roll was filed on July 1<sup>st</sup> and the Legal Notice appeared in the Post Standard on July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Next year processing was completed by the county on July 8<sup>th</sup> and work on the 2017 Assessment roll has begun.

Renewals for Senior Citizen, Enhanced Star and Disability exemptions for 2017 will be processed during July and August for mailing in September.

Approval of trash hauler license for Syracuse Haulers:

144-16-021 MOTION BY Ms. Lesniak, seconded by Ms. Dickman, to approve a trash hauler license for Syracuse Haulers.

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

Motion Carried & Adopted

Appointment of Noah LaCourse as sub park attendant at \$9.50 an hour:

145-16-038 MOTION BY Mr. Zaccaria, seconded by Ms. Dickman, to appoint Noah LaCourse a sub park attendant at \$9.50 an hour.

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

Motion Carried & Adopted

Councilor Committee Reports and Comments:

Mr. Zaccaria scheduled a Park & Recreation Committee meeting for July 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am here at Town Hall.

Ms. Dickman thanked the Park & Recreation staff for attending the recent festival in the park and demonstrating use of the knockerballs.

Mr. Tupper announced the next Board of Directors meeting for the Canton Woods Senior Center is August 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:45 am.

Highway Superintendent Comments: None

Supervisor Comments:

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Mr. Sykes said work on the Henderson Boulevard drainage improvements will begin next week.

Mr. Sykes said the new playground equipment that was installed at Van Buren Central Park using grant money from Assemblyman Magnarelli's Office is ready for use and being enjoyed by the children.

Mr. Sykes said the Lt. Governor of New York will be at Tessa Plastics on Rt. 48 for an announcement July 20<sup>th</sup> at 10:15 am.

Citizens Comments: None

Engineer Comments: None

Attorney Comments: None

146-16-000 MOTION BY Ms. Dickman, seconded by Mr. Dudzinski, to adjourn to the next Regular Town Board Meeting on August 2, 2016 at 7:30 pm.

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

Motion Carried & Adopted

Meeting closed 7:42 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Precourt  
Town Clerk

Dated: 7/20/16