

TOWN BOARD MEETING

Town of Ulysses

August 12, 2014

Audio of the minutes are available on the website at ulysses.ny.us.

The meeting was held at the Ulysses Town Hall at 10 Elm Street, Trumansburg.

PRESENT:

Supervisor- Liz Thomas

Board members- Rich Goldman, John Hertzler, Nancy Zahler, David Kerness

Clerk- Carissa Parlato

Environmental planner- Darby Kiley

Mariette Geldenhuys

Jim Meeker

Michelle Wright

OTHERS PRESENT:

Notice of Town Board meetings are posted on the website and clerk's board.

Ms. Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

RESOLUTION 2014-148:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board approve the agenda for the Aug. 12, 2014 meeting with the following additions: a highway report due to recent flooding, a short update on the amicus brief.

Moved: Ms. Thomas

Seconded: Mr. Kerness

Ms. Thomas aye

Ms. Zahler aye

Mr. Kerness aye

Mr. Goldman aye

Mr. Hertzler aye

Vote: 5-0

Date Adopted: 8/12/14

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 7/10, 7/15, 7/22

RESOLUTION 2014-149:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board approve the minutes for July 10 (as edited by Ms. Thomas); July 15; and July 22 (as edited by Ms. Thomas and Ms. Zahler), 2014.

Moved: Ms. Thomas Seconded: Mr. Kerness

Ms. Thomas	aye
Ms. Zahler	aye
Mr. Kerness	aye
Mr. Goldman	aye
Mr. Hertzler	aye

Vote: 5-0

Date Adopted: 8/12/14

EMS– Discussion with village representatives Rob Cassetti and Ben Carver; and EMS manager Brian Snyder

Mr. Snyder shared information regarding the EMS billing process and Medex, the company they contract with for billing. He further discussed:

- How accounts are reconciled monthly and annually with Medex.
- That bills are only sent to collections when an individual has been issued a check from an insurance company but has not submitted it to pay the outstanding bill.
- Their charity policy- which has only been utilized twice in the many years that they've been billing, due to the assistance they have provided to connect people to various benefits/services.
- The low number of uncollected bills
- That the only portion of services that the village charges/bills is for ambulance transports.
- That people who do not have insurance are only sent 3 bills. If they do not pay or respond, the case is closed.

Mr. Cassetti spoke about the village's fire department and company.

He noted that new equipment purchases are based on state mandates as well as the type needed for the small staff to provide the best service.

Mr. Cassetti welcomed questions and dialogue moving forward and agreed to send the board a copy of replacement plan.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

(no comments spoken nor submitted)

TOWN REPORTS:

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT- Jim Meeker

Mr. Meeker reported that 3-4 days were spent cleaning up after last month's storm. They also replaced the chlorine pump valve, hauled dirt and seeded Curry Road, did postings for Grassroots, worked long hours clearing culverts on Maplewood Road and other roads due to last week's storm.

(Written reports were submitted for the following due to time constraints/full agenda):

TOWN CLERK- Carissa Parlato

Financial report:

Collected \$2910. in fees for licenses (dog, marriage, sporting)

The town keeps \$1140. of that total.

#Licenses issued:

Sporting- 12

Disabled parking permits- 10

Dog (new and renewals)- 70

Marriage - 4

Activities:

- Took advantage of a free legal assessment offer from the Cohen Group to look at our franchise agreement with TWC as they have been bought by Comcast. Info was sent out to you yesterday.
- Attended Health consortium meeting. The labor unions were very vocal in their opposition and voted down a proposal to offer a plan similar to the ACA platinum plan. A motion was made for Steve Locey to present a silver and bronze plan option. Don Barber also gave me 2011 information on a 2 person plan and said they will be looking at it again this year.
- Attended clerk's conference at Cornell in early July. It was intensive- lasting from 8am-9pm each day. Various presentations on: tax caps and shared services, sustainability, quantifying data, demographics, statistics, local agriculture/land use, and fraud were included.
- Went on vacation for a week
- Routine tasks- collecting and processing water payments, answering questions, issuing marriage, conservation, and dog licenses, keeping the books balanced, etc.
- Met with an auditor from the State comptroller's office who was doing a "risk assessment" of the town. Got some good suggestions from him.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER- (no report)

PLANNING/ZONING-

Planning Board

On July 15th, the Planning Board was introduced to the Lakshmi Institute proposal to re-use the Mini-golf property; the project is subject to Special Permit and Site Plan Approval. After more materials were received for the August 5th meeting, the PB scheduled a public hearing for the August 19th meeting. The PB also reviewed a proposal for a three-lot subdivision on the corner of Krums Corners Road and Iradell Road Ext., and a public hearing will be held on September 2nd.

The Lakeshore District requires site plan review for any fill or excavation. An applicant is proposing a retaining wall replacement, and the PB is requiring input from a licensed engineer, who will be chosen by the Town and paid for by the applicant. This is a new procedure. About 6 engineers were contacted to request proposals and those are due on Aug 18th.

The PB adopted operational procedures for the remainder of 2014.

BZA

The BZA did not meet in July.

Enforcement actions

Stormwater violations:

Continuing to work with property owners and engineer on Pennsylvania Ave property.
7/16/14 – sent notice of stormwater violations to property owner at 1286 Taughannock Blvd.
Representative from TC Soil and Water Conservation District inspected the site on 7/30/14 and provided a report that the site is stabilized and no evidence of erosion has occurred. The property has been determined to be in compliance.

Notice of violation sent to property owner on 8/5/14 regarding used cars sales on lot.
1942 Trumansburg Rd – because of non-compliance, a court appearance is scheduled for 8/19/14.

Grants

Energy Projects: Grant – The Project Team has selected a consultant and will move forward with the project when NYSERDA signs the grant contract.

Farmland Protection Implementation Projects: A proposal to the NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets was submitted for Glenwood Farms. (Approximately 30 hrs. of town staff time was spent on the proposal.)

Other Meetings/Issues

July 21 – Water Resources Council heard a presentation on a pilot wetlands mapping project. A proposal was recently submitted to the Park Foundation to complete the mapping in the remainder of the County. There was also an update on the hydrilla eradication efforts.

SUPERVISOR- Elizabeth Thomas

Amicus Brief – Attorneys for the gas industry are filing with the Court of Appeals to reargue the case against Dryden and Middlefield. The board needs to decide whether to formally oppose that filing. Papers will be due on 9/8.

EMS billing

Work on Charity policy. Review with Michelle. Use info from Cayuga Medical policy.

Historic Preservation

Meet with preservationists to estimate costs for restoring or stabilizing historic building in Jacksonville. Communicate with Exxon/Mobile about soil testing. Establish that building is eligible for national historic designation.

Joint Meeting of the Village and Town Boards - Organized meeting, drafted agenda.

Water

Prepare and send reports to Department of Health.
Follow up with engineer – still no final recommendation
TTHM tests are confused, must be redone.

Trails

Organized group to work on a county-wide map of hiking and biking trails. There will be a print and web version. Begin to compile what's been done in the past.

Dog control

For now, the dog control coalition decided to move ahead on estimating numbers of dogs per municipality using various sources. Finding an enumerator has been extremely difficult, but the group will keep pursuing this for the future, possibly asking off duty police if there is any interest. The group will focus on education about importance of vaccinating pets.

Abandoned gas well

Many, many residents were very worried about the gas well on Halseyville road that was plugged. Time was spent answering questions from residents, talking with the DEC and being interviewed by the media.

Review of finances by the State Comptroller's office

Spent a good part of a day preparing and interacting with Ryan Johnson from the OSC on financial protocols and practices. He had a couple good suggestions that we will implement soon, specifically having Mary deposit the water payments, and having Mary review Carissa's reconciliations and vice versa. Also he recommended adding to the Organizational Meeting that we review various policies such as investment and procurement.

TCCOG:

- Continue discussion about shared services. The 4 areas TCCOG will explore:
 - Fire – Mary Ann Sumner
 - Police – Kate Supron
 - HR/IT – Joe Mareane
 - Court – Joe Mareane
- Discussed
 - Sustainability progress
 - Emergency planning
 - Health care consortium

Personnel Policy – finalize formatting, insert sections based on Nancy, Rich and my notes from July meeting, insert background check appendix, check page numbering, etc.

Shared Services

Continue to work with other municipalities to find new opportunities for shared services .

Stormwater

This is taking up a lot more time lately. A couple specific pieces of land have drainage issues between neighbors. Darby has been keeping me updated and we had a conference call with the DEC and the stormwater professional we contract with from the Soil and Water Conservation Service. The recent flooding highlights the importance of good stormwater controls.

This' and That's

- Field questions from constituents about zoning, flooding, power outages,
- Review budget and bills.
- Clerk for the Planning Board and BZA.
- Backup for Carissa, Patty, Mary and Angie while they are on vacation – answering general questions and posting information to the website.
- Organize town retreat.
- Records – some of our records are kept at a place called Iron Mountain. We needed to change “authorized users”. This was WAY more complicated than it might sound.
- Farmland protection – info on Federal Farm Protection Incentive Program
- Work with Carissa on town contact list.

- Review minutes, create agendas, prepare materials for meetings,
- Write letter required by the state for the State Park to serve alcohol at the summer concerts.
- Tour new ATC building.
- Meet with insurance representatives.
- Tour flooded areas with Jim, field questions from residents, clarify with Mariette where our responsibility ends.

DEPUTY SUPERVISOR- Ms. Zahler:

EMS-

- Reviewed MedEx options re: billing with attorney
- Reviewed next steps in process for establishing billing policy with attorney
- Reviewed proposed Charity policy draft

Personnel policy and benefits-

- Met with Rich Goldman to review proposed phase down of Town costs for retirees and employees' health insurance coverage. Provided a summary for Liz to incorporate into Personnel policy.

Village liaison-

- Attended Village Board meeting 8/11/4
- Listened to verbal summary of EMS budget for 2015. Total proposed increase = \$59,780 based largely on increases to base pay for new EMT's to be competitive with other regional salaries. Percentage increase = .085
- No Fire budget was presented for review.
- Both Fire and EMS budgets will be discussed on August 25 at 6:00pm before being released to other municipalities for joint meeting on September 10 @ 7pm
- Water quality from new 2nd source wells is very good. Waiting for State to approve easement.
- All grant financing for waste water plant improvements has been received.
- Village Historian working with library on a history of schools; considering formation of a Yorkers Club for students interested in history; historical marker for Dorsey home, as first African American voter?, is in the works for a late fall event along with new Halsey House marker which was destroyed by a truck last year; Ulysses will host county librarians in October.
- Police were asked by State Police to assist with 2 drug arrests at Grassroots. Since July, there have been 9 assists in the Town and 3 outside of Ulysses. Village liability WILL cover Tburg PD officers when they are conducting village business but the new Agreement was needed to grant full policing authority.
- Public information meeting and hearing scheduled on new law to permit authorized gun owners to discharge weapons in the village as part of the deer management plan. Public Info on Monday, August 25 at 7:00 Pm and Public Hearing Will be September 8.
- Met with Village Youth Commissioner Ben Carver and County Youth Services liaison, Janice Johnson on summer recreation program, its budget, and a request from a community sponsored youth program to consider affiliating with the village's recreation program.

Jacksonville-

- Worked with Liz on email to Exxon/Mobil re: access to church for assessment of damage and on status of soil testing.
- Soil testing was started after Liz's email and may take 6-8 weeks for results. Request for key was denied.
- Worked with Cornell City Regional Planning on feasibility of having a small group of graduate students help with Jacksonville community planning. Reviewed a proposal for course project that would have cost \$5,000 with Liz and Darby who advised waiting, trying negotiate a lower price that could be budgeted for in 2015. Revised price of \$4,000 could be paid in 2015 for work done in Fall 2014.
- Meetings planned with preservationist and contractor to estimate cost of stabilizing building for winter 2014-15.

DSS outreach-

- Asked Carissa and Angie to be sure buttons were working and staff knew how to use them.
- Had oriented DSS supervisor on use of Town Hall for outreach.
- Since Carissa was on vacation, Patty and I greeted outreach staff on first day. Copied posters for them to place around town. I delivered poster to food pantry.
- Received and approved a request from the Ithaca Free Clinic, which serves low income residents similar to those needing DSS service

NEW BUSINESS:

AMICUS BRIEF-

Attorneys for the gas industry are filing with the Court of Appeals to reargue the case against Dryden and Middlefield. The board decided to file an opposition to the motion to reargue the case. It is estimated to cost about \$1500 to do so.

RESOLUTION 2014-150: BE IT RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board file an opposition to allow the re-argument of the Dryden and Middlefield cases.

Moved: Ms. Thomas Seconded: Mr. Kerness

Ms. Thomas	aye
Ms. Zahler	aye
Mr. Kerness	aye
Mr. Goldman	aye
Mr. Hertzler	aye

Vote: 5-0

Date Adopted: 8/12/14

Mr. Meeker was excused at 8:39pm.

OPTIONS FOR IMPROVED CODE ENFORCEMENT-

Ms. Geldenhuys presented proposed changes and new options to improve code enforcement.

Mr. Rachun agreed with the proposal and added his comments.

Ms. Geldenhuys noted that the goals of the policy are to improve health and safety but must be balanced with staff.

RESOLUTION 2014-151:

RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board hold a public information session at 7pm followed by a public hearing at 7:30pm on Tuesday, Sept. 23.

Moved: Mr. Goldman Seconded: Mr. Hertzler

Ms. Thomas	aye
Ms. Zahler	aye
Mr. Kerness	aye
Mr. Goldman	aye
Mr. Hertzler	aye

Vote: 5-0

Date Adopted: 8/12/14

OLD BUSINESS:

A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND THE TOWN OF ULYSSES ZONING LAW

SEQR Determination:

RESOLUTION 2014-152:

RESOLUTION OF THE ULYSSES TOWN BOARD MAKING SEQR DETERMINATION FOR LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF 2014- A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND THE TOWN OF ULYSSES ZONING LAW:

WHEREAS, this action is the adoption of a Local Law to amend the Town of Ulysses Zoning Law; and

WHEREAS, this as a Type I action for which the Town of Ulysses Town Board is Lead Agency in an environmental review with respect to the enactment of the proposed local law; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board, at a public meeting held on August 12, 2014, has reviewed and accepted as adequate the Full Environmental Assessment Form (FEAF), Parts 1, 2 and 3 for this action;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY

RESOLVED that the Town of Ulysses Town Board hereby makes a negative determination of environmental significance in accordance with New York State Environmental Quality Review Act for the above referenced action as proposed, based on the information in the FEAF Part 1 and for the reasons set forth in the FEAF Parts 2 and 3, and, therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement will not be required.

Moved: Ms. Thomas Seconded: Mr. Goldman

Ms. Thomas	aye
Ms. Zahler	aye

Mr. Kerness aye
 Mr. Goldman aye
 Mr. Hertzler aye

Vote: 5-0

Date Adopted: 8/12/14

TOWN OF ULYSSES, NEW YORK
 LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF THE YEAR 2014

A Local Law to Amend the Town of Ulysses Zoning Law (“the Zoning Law”).

SECTION 1.

Article III Section 3.2 of the Zoning Law, entitled “Planning Board”, shall be amended by deleting the second and third paragraphs and replacing with the following provision:

There is hereby established a Planning Board consisting of five (5) persons who shall function in the manner prescribed by law.

The members of the Planning Board shall be residents of the Town of Ulysses and shall be appointed by the Town Board to serve staggered terms of five (5) years. Vacancies occurring in said board by expiration of term or otherwise shall be filled in the same manner.

SECTION 2.

Article IV of the Zoning Law, entitled “Definitions”, shall be amended by replacing the definition of “Campground, group” with the following provision:

Campground, group

Any parcel of land on which the following are located for group activities by private groups or semi-public groups, and such as a boy or girl scout camp, fraternal lodge, summer camp facility, conference center or nature center: (1) tent sites, cabins, or other accommodations of design or character suitable for seasonal and temporary accommodations; and/or (2) a structure or structures containing communal facilities such as a kitchen, dining area, gathering space and bathrooms. No camping vehicles, campers or motor homes shall be permitted on the premises. There shall be no more than two year-round single family homes for each group campground facility, which shall be accessory to the group campground use, such as housing for a caretaker.

Mean High Water Elevation (MHWE)

Mean High Water Elevation (MHWE) is measured using the National Geodetic Vertical Datum 1929 (NGVD 1929) and the lake elevation at the Cayuga inlet based on the U.S. Geological Survey

SECTION 3.

Article XVIII of the Zoning Law, entitled “PR-Park/Recreation District” shall be amended by replacing the article with the following provisions:

Article XVIII – PR – Park/Recreation District

18.1 Purpose

The purpose of the PR-Park/Recreation District is to protect those natural areas and scenic and recreational resources within the Town of Ulysses that contribute to the high quality of life and economic vitality of the Town.

18.2 Permitted Uses

In the PR–Park/Recreation District, no building or structure shall be erected, altered or extended, and no land or building thereof shall be used for any purpose or purposes other than the following:
Agriculture.

18.3 Uses Permitted by Special Permit

The following are uses allowed within the PR-Park/Recreation District upon approval of a Special Permit pursuant to Article III, Section 3.3, upon receipt of site plan approval from the Planning Board pursuant to Article III, Section 3.4, and subject to the design standards set forth in relevant sections of

Article XX:

Business directional signs, subject to limitations set forth in Article XX, Section 20.4.3.

Seasonal campgrounds, overnight campgrounds and group campgrounds, subject to the provisions of Article XX, Section 20.9.

Cemeteries and the buildings and structures incidental to cemetery operations.

Golf courses, except miniature golf courses operated on a commercial basis.

Nature centers.

Public and private community parks, regional parks and preserves.

Commercial stables, subject to the provisions of Article XX, Section 20.20.

18.4 Permitted Accessory Uses

The following uses shall only be permitted as accessory uses to the uses set forth in sections 18.2 and 18.3. Site plan approval shall be required from the Planning Board pursuant to the provisions of Article III, Section 3.4.

Accessory structures.

Single family residences and their accessory structures, subject to the limitations set forth in Article IV (Definitions) and Article XX (Design Standards).

Seasonal roadside stand, subject to the provisions of Article XX, Section 20.17.

Temporary buildings and structures used for office, sales, storage and fabrication activities related to the development of a site, provided that such building or structure may not be continued for more than one (1) year except upon receipt of a Special Permit.

Vehicle parking, pursuant to the provisions of Article XX, Section 20.3.

18.5 Lot Area and Yard Requirements

Minimum lot area shall be ten (10) acres.

Minimum lot width shall be 400 feet at the front and rear lot lines.

Minimum lot depth shall be 450 feet.

Minimum front and rear yard setback shall be 50 feet.

Minimum side yard setbacks shall be 15 feet.

Minimum lakeside setback shall be 100 feet, measured from the MHWE.

Maximum building height shall be 40 feet.

Maximum lot coverage shall be five (5) percent of the lot area, including roads.

The above and the provisions of Section 18.6 notwithstanding, in the case of a lot with frontage on a lake, accessory uses such as boathouses, pump houses, docks, piers, boat ramps, patios, decks and

other facilities typically associated with water-oriented recreational pursuits are permitted within the yard setback area and buffer area fronting on the lake, provided, however, that they are located outside the required side yard setback areas.

18.6 Buffer Areas

No buildings or other structures, or parking areas, shall be located within 100 feet from a stream edge or any wetland as defined by state or federal law, or in the case of a lot with frontage on a lake, within 100 feet of the lakefront using the mean high water elevation

The above notwithstanding, in the case of a lot with frontage on a lake, accessory uses such as boathouses, pump houses, docks, piers, boat ramps, patios, decks and other facilities typically associated with water-oriented recreational pursuits are permitted within the buffer area fronting on the lake, provided, however, that they are located outside the required side yard setback areas set forth in Section 18.5 above.

SECTION 4.

Article XX of the Zoning Law, entitled "Design Standards" shall be amended by the addition of section 20.9.3, which shall read as follows:

20.9.3 Campgrounds, Group

All accommodations shall be of a temporary, seasonal nature only, except as set forth in this section. The cabins, tent sites or other structures providing accommodations shall provide sleeping space for no more than seven (7) persons per acre.

No structure containing accommodations shall be closer than 275 feet from the right-of-way of a public road or highway.

No camping vehicles, campers and motor homes shall be permitted on the premises.

Provisions for water supplies, sewage disposal and garbage disposal shall meet all the requirements of the Tompkins County Health Department.

Wildlife and rodent-proof refuse containers shall be provided.

Garbage shall be picked up at least once per week during all times when the campground is operating.

The campground shall be kept free and clear of all litter and maintained in a neat and orderly manner.

The owner shall be responsible for the maintenance of all campground facilities, including areas designated as open space, streets, landscaping, sewage disposal and water supply systems, and solid waste collection.

There shall be no more than two single family residences for each group campground facility. The use of single family residences shall be accessory to the group campground use, such as housing for a caretaker.

All roads within the campground shall be at least twelve (12) feet wide for one-way traffic and 20 feet wide for two-way traffic and properly marked with appropriate directional and traffic safety signage.

No campsites, buildings, tents, structures, or parking areas shall be located within one hundred (100) feet of a stream edge or any wetland as defined by state or federal law, or the lakefront of any lake.

With the exception of stream crossings, no roadways shall be located within fifty (50) feet from a stream edge or any wetland as defined by state or federal law, or the lakefront of any lake.

The group campground shall have designated areas for campfires and shall be located, cleared and maintained in accordance with recommendations of the Trumansburg Fire Department Chief.

Where the group campground property fronts a public road or highway, within the required yard area at least 50 percent of the length of the frontage on said public road or highway shall be planted and maintained with vegetated buffer per the requirements of Article XX, Section 20.6.

SECTION 5.

This local law shall take effect upon filing with the Secretary of State.

RESOLUTION 2014-153:**RESOLUTION OF THE ULYSSES TOWN BOARD APPROVING LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF 2014- A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND THE TOWN OF ULYSSES ZONING LAW**

1. WHEREAS, the Ulysses Town Board (“the Town Board”) adopted a Comprehensive Plan for the Town on September 28, 2009; and
2. WHEREAS, the Town Board adopted Local Law No. 2 of 2014 on June 10, 2014 and Local Law No. 3 of 2013 on December 17, 2013, which amended the Zoning Law of the Town of Ulysses previously adopted on Local Law No. 4 of 2007 on November 28, 2007 and August 30, 2005; and
3. WHEREAS, pursuant to page 1 of Article I of the Ulysses Zoning Law of 2013, the purpose of the Zoning Law of the Town of Ulysses is, in part, to promote the health, safety, and general welfare of the community, to lessen congestion in the streets, to secure safety from fire, panic and other dangers, to provide adequate light and air, to prevent overuse of land, to avoid undue concentration of population, to facilitate the adequate provision of transportation, water, sewerage, parks and to restrict and regulate the size of buildings and other structures, the percentage of lots that may be occupied, the size of yards, the density of population, and the use of buildings, structures and land for trade, industry, residence or other purposes in order to preserve, foster and enhance the native beauty and rural character of one of the most picturesque and charming communities in the Finger Lakes region of New York State; and
4. WHEREAS, the amendments to the Zoning Law are in accordance with the provisions of the Comprehensive Plan, and clarify definitions and standards; and
5. WHEREAS, on June 25, 2014, the Town Board accepted the Local Law language and set the public hearing date of August 12, 2014; and
6. WHEREAS, on July 23, the Town Clerk sent notification of the Zoning Law amendment to the following: Tompkins County, Village of Trumansburg, Town of Enfield, Town of Ithaca, Town of Lansing, Seneca County, Town of Covert, Schuyler County, Town of Hector, and NYS Parks Finger Lakes Region; and
7. WHEREAS, a public hearing on the proposed local law amending the Zoning Law was held on August 12, 2014, notice of such hearing was published in the Ithaca Journal, the official newspaper of the Town and a newspaper of general circulation on July 25, 2014, more than 10 days before the public hearing, and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of or in opposition to said proposed local law, or any part thereof; and
8. WHEREAS, pursuant to General Municipal Law §239(l) and (m), on July 9, 2014, the Town submitted to the Tompkins County Planning Department a full statement of the proposed amendments to the Town Zoning Law; the Tompkins County Planning

Department sent a response on August 12, 2014 and determined that the proposal does not have any negative inter-community or county-wide impacts; and

9. WHEREAS, pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations at 6 NYCRR Part 617, adoption of said local law is a Type I Action for which the Town Board of the Town of Ulysses, acting as lead agency in an environmental review with respect to adoption of this local law, has, on *August 12, 2014*, made a negative determination of environmental significance, after having reviewed and accepted as adequate the Full Environmental Assessment Form Parts 1, 2 and 3 prepared by Town Staff;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Ulysses hereby adopts Local Law No. 3 of 2014, and authorizes and directs the Town Clerk to file said local law with the New York State Secretary of State as required by law.

A discussion ensued on the clarity of the language in the law and whether it was understandable to citizens. The group also discussed whether a golf course is an appropriate permitted use in the Park and Recreation district.

The board recessed from 9:59-10:04pm and voted on the resolution upon return:

Moved: Ms. Thomas Seconded: Mr. Hertzler

A roll call vote was called by the clerk:

Ms. Thomas	aye
Ms. Zahler	aye
Mr. Kerness	aye
Mr. Goldman	aye
Mr. Hertzler	aye

Vote: 5-0

Date Adopted: 8/12/14

(Ms. Kiley was excused at this time.)

EMS BILLING-

Ms. Geldenhuys presented a potential resolution for EMS billing.

The board discussed it and agreed to continue gathering information to develop the billing policy.

(Ms. Wright was excused at this time.)

PERSONNEL POLICY UPDATE – review of policy

Ms. Thomas presented the proposed policy, focusing on health care costs. The board discussed this.

(Ms. Geldenhuys was excused at this time.)

NEW BUSINESS:

CANCELLING REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING on 8/26

RESOLUTION 2014-154:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Ulysses is cancelling the second meeting of the month on August 26, 2014.

Moved: Ms. Thomas Seconded: Mr. Goldman

Ms. Thomas	aye
Ms. Zahler	aye
Mr. Kerness	aye
Mr. Goldman	aye
Mr. Hertzler	aye

Vote: 5-0
Date Adopted: 8/12/14

TAX CAP OVERRIDE

RESOLUTION 2014-155:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Ulysses will hold a Public Hearing on the proposed Local Law # 4 to override the NYS tax levy limit as allowed by General Municipal Law. The Public Hearing will be on 9/9 at 6:30pm at the Ulysses Town Hall at 10 Elm St. Trumansburg, NY.

Moved: Ms. Thomas Seconded: Mr. Goldman

Ms. Thomas	aye
Ms. Zahler	aye
Mr. Kerness	nay
Mr. Goldman	aye
Mr. Hertzler	aye

Vote: 4-1
Date Adopted: 8/12/14

APPROVAL OF BUDGET MODIFICATIONS

RESOLUTION 2014-156:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board approves budget modifications as stated:

A1410.4	Town Clerk CE	increase	\$2,500.00
A1990.4	Contingency	decrease	\$2,500.00

Increased costs for Town Clerk due to new personnel

A9040.8	Workers Comp A Fund	increase	\$ 530.22
A1990.4	Contingency	decrease	\$ 530.22

To cover additional Workers Compensation costs for 2013 due to PERMA audit.

B1420.4	Attorney CE	increase	\$2,500.00
B1990.4	Contingency Account (B Fund)	decrease	\$2,500.00

To cover additional Attorney costs due to zoning changes.

B9040.8	Workers Comp B Fund	increase	\$ 715.41
B1990.4	Contingency B Fund	decrease	\$ 715.41

To cover additional Workers Compensation costs for 2013 due to PERMA audit.

DA9040.8	Workers Comp DA fund	increase	\$ 159.80
DA915	Unappropriated Fund Balance	decrease	\$ 159.80

To cover additional Workers Compensation costs for 2013 due to PERMA audit.

DB9040.8	Workers Comp DB fund	increase	\$2,084.44
DB915	Unappropriated Fund Balance	decrease	\$2,084.44

To cover additional Workers Compensation costs for 2013 due to PERMA audit.

Moved: Ms. Thomas Seconded: Mr. Kerness

Ms. Thomas	aye
Ms. Zahler	aye
Mr. Kerness	aye
Mr. Goldman	aye
Mr. Hertzler	aye

Vote: 5-0

Date Adopted: 8/12/14

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS**RESOLUTION 2014-157:**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board approve payment of claims 100-140, plus non-vouchered items, totaling \$88,372.88.

Moved: Ms. Thomas Seconded: Ms. Zahler

Ms. Thomas	aye
Ms. Zahler	aye
Mr. Kerness	aye
Mr. Goldman	aye
Mr. Hertzler	aye

Vote: 5-0

Date Adopted: 8/12/14

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

(no comments spoken nor submitted)

ADJOURN:

Mr. Kerness made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11 pm, seconded by Ms. Zahler.

Respectfully submitted

by Carissa Parlato, 8/15/14