

## TOWN BOARD MEETING

Town of Ulysses

March 29, 2016

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

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### **PRESENT:**

Supervisor- Liz Thomas

1<sup>st</sup> Deputy Supervisor- Nancy Zahler

Board members- Rich Goldman, Michael Boggs, John Hertzler

Town Clerk- Carissa Parlato

### **OTHERS PRESENT:**

Phil Antweiler, John Ullberg, Jim Dennis, Karen Powers, Roxanne Marino, Jules & Patty Burgevin, John & Alice Gant, Barbara Page, David & Alanna Fontanella, Sharm Robinette, Barbara Nowogrodzki

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

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

### **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

#### **APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA**

#### **RESOLUTION 2016-72:**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board approve the agenda for March 29, 2016 with the additions of an executive session, discussion of an income survey and General Announcements.

Moved: Ms. Thomas

Seconded: Mr. Boggs

Ms. Thomas            aye

Ms. Zahler            aye

Mr. Hertzler          aye

Mr. Boggs            aye

Mr. Goldman          aye

Vote: 5-0

Date Adopted: 3/29/16

### **PRESENTATION- Town Hall Sidewalk**

Ms. Thomas presented a power-point presentation on restoring a sidewalk and greenspace in front of the town hall. She discussed the benefits of doing so, focusing on safety and stormwater run-off. She also discussed the potential for grant funding and noted that if the project were paired with the current sidewalk project, there would be a savings.

Mr. Ullberg, a landscape architect who has volunteered his time, presented his ideas and objectives for re-landscaping the town hall, which is currently surrounded by asphalt.

Ms. Thomas and Mr. Ullberg invited those in attendance to view some chalk mock-ups that Mr. Ullberg had made outside.

Upon returning inside, Ms. Thomas invited comments from the audience.

Ms. Powers commented that aesthetics are important and make an impact on people. She heads up the volunteer landscaping group Takin Care of T'burg and offered the group's assistance to this project.

Another person seconded that and remarked that beautiful greenspace is the reason that she moved to Trumansburg a few years ago.

Mr. Burgevin encouraged the project and thanked those who put time into it.

At this time, board members asked clarifying questions of Ms. Thomas.

Mr. Ullberg noted that the village did a survey a while back and cited the lack of sidewalk as a safety hazard.

Ms. Powers commented that she would prefer not to have parking in front of the building.

### **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Ms. Thomas gave the following updates on the Falls Road water main:

- Responses to the letter sent by Ms. Thomas to Falls Rd. residents have been received.
- MRB has regular project update meetings and the town board and residents are invited to attend any time

Mr. Goldman revisited the landscaping discussion. The board discussed other town priorities for funding.

Ms. Thomas offered suggestions for grants and inquired as to the interest level of the board before moving forward with a potential landscaping project.

### **PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

*(no members of the public were present to speak)*

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **INCOME SURVEY**

Ms. Thomas presented a proposal to hire a firm to do an income survey. This information will be necessary in applying for funding for Water District 3.

The board discussion turned to the WD3 water district TTHM issue.

#### **RESOLUTION 2016-73: Provisional Approval of Income Survey Proposal**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board provisionally approve the proposed income survey contract from G&G to conduct a MHI survey provided that a majority of town board members give final approval by e-mail.

Moved: Ms. Thomas

Seconded: Ms. Zahler

Discussion:

Ms. Zahler questioned the town's funding source for the survey as it may be used for other purposes not just WD3. Mr. Goldman recommends reimbursing later if this happens. They went over questions to ask the firm before approving.

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

Vote: 5-0

Date Adopted: 3/29/16

### **AMENDMENT TO BUILDING FEES**

#### **RESOLUTION 2016-74: AMENDMENT TO BUILDING FEES**

RESOLVED that the Town of Ulysses Town Board amends the 2016 fee schedule to clarify the building permit fees by specifying:

- What areas are included in determining the building permit fee for 1 and 2 family residences,
- the fees on accessory buildings that are attached to a 1 and 2 family residence
- the fees on accessory buildings that are separate from the main building

Further RESOLVED that the fee schedule be updated with the amendments as attached (see Appendix A) and further

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk's office distribute new fee schedules to all Town Board members, the Deputy Supervisor, the Planning and Zoning Department, and the Water Department.

Moved: Ms. Thomas

Seconded: Mr. Goldman

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

Vote: 5-0

Date Adopted: 3/29/16

### **REVIEW OF ANNUAL UPDATE DOCUMENT**

The board agreed to postpone discussion of this topic until Ms. Wright is available to explain it.

Ms. Zahler inquired about how the 2015 ambulance revenues were put.

**REVIEW OF NEW ACCOUNTING SOFTWARE OPERATING STATEMENTS**

Ms. Thomas gave a brief presentation of the January Operating Statement.

**UPDATE FROM MS. ZAHLER**

At the last Village Board meeting, the EMS Manager suggested that the Town’s ambulance charges may be lower than average.

The board further discussed the billing process and whether to update it.

**AUTHORIZATION OF DEPUTY TOWN CLERK AS SIGNER ON CLERK BANK ACCOUNTS**

**RESOLUTION 2016-75:**

RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board authorize Carissa Parlato, Town Clerk, and Sarah Koski, Deputy Town Clerk, to be signers on both the Town Clerk and Town and County Tax checking accounts.

Moved: Ms. Zahler

Seconded: Mr. Hertzler

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

Vote: 5-0

Date Adopted: 3/29/16

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

Ms. Marino encouraged serious thought in considering connecting Water District 3 with the Village of Trumansburg water system.

**MONTHLY BUSINESS:**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES 3/1 STB, 3/8 PIM, 3/8 PH, 3/8 TB, 3/17 STB**

**RESOLUTION 2016-76:**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board approve the minutes of the 3/1 Special Town Board meeting.

Moved: Ms. Zahler

Seconded: Mr. Goldman

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

Vote: 5-0  
Date Adopted: 3/29/16

**RESOLUTION 2016-77:**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board approve the minutes of the 3/8 PIM (Public Information Meeting).

Moved: Ms. Zahler    Seconded: Mr. Goldman

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

Vote: 5-0  
Date Adopted: 3/29/16

**RESOLUTION 2016-78:**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board approve the minutes of 3/8 Public Hearing, with the changes discussed.

Moved: Ms. Thomas    Seconded: Mr. Goldman

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

Vote: 5-0  
Date Adopted: 3/29/16

**RESOLUTION 2016-79:**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board approve the minutes of 3/8 Town Board meetings as edited by Ms. Zahler and Thomas as discussed via e-mail and at the meeting.

Moved: Mr. Goldman                      Seconded: Ms. Zahler

Ms. Thomas	aye
Ms. Zahler	aye
Mr. Hertzler	aye
Mr. Boggs	aye

Mr. Goldman            aye

Vote: 5-0

Date Adopted: 3/29/16

**RESOLUTION 2016-80:**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board approve the minutes of 3/17 Special Town Board meeting as edited.

Moved: Ms. Thomas    Seconded: Mr. Goldman

Ms. Thomas            aye

Ms. Zahler             aye

Mr. Hertzler          aye

Mr. Boggs             aye

Mr. Goldman          aye

Vote: 5-0

Date Adopted: 3/29/16

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Ms. Zahler moved to go into executive session at 9:08pm, seconded Mr. Goldman for the purposes of matters relating to the acquisition, lease or sale of real property or securities because publicity may substantially affect the value.

Ms. Zahler moved to come out of executive session at 9:58pm, seconded Mr. Goldman.

**ADJOURN:**

Mr. Goldman moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:58pm; seconded by Mr. Hertzler and passed unanimously.

*Respectfully submitted by Carissa Parlato on 4/8/16.*

**APPENDIX A:**

**BUILDING/CODE:**

<b>OPERATING PERMITS</b>	<b>fee</b>	<b>reference</b>
Operating Permit	\$75.00	LL 2 of 2015
Fireworks display	\$150.00	Res. 8/18/10
Special Event Operating Permit	\$50.00	LL 1 of 2010
<b>BUILDING PERMITS</b>	<b>fee</b>	<b>reference</b>
1 & 2 Family Residences, <u>includes finished basements:</u>	\$.30/sq ft	LL 2 of 2015
Multiple dwelling/Multi-residential	\$225 + \$3/K	Res. 2007-36
Commercial bldgs., bridges, tanks, and towers	\$425 + \$4/K	Res. 2007-36
Alterations, renovations, additions, pools	\$75 + 3/K	LL 2 of 2015
Accessory Building – <u>separate from main building</u>	\$55 + \$3/K	Res. 2007-36
<u>Accessory Building – attached to 1&amp; 2 family</u>	<u>\$0.15/sq. ft.</u>	<u>Res. 2016-???</u>

<u>residences</u>		
Building Permit Renewal	Half existing building permit fee.	Res. 2016-64
Solar, wind or alt. energy permit- RESIDENTIAL	\$75.00	LL 3 of 2015
Solar, wind or alt. energy permit- COMMERCIAL	\$75 + 3/K	LL 3 of 2015
Sign permit	\$50.00	LL 2 of 2015
Woodstove or heating unit	\$50.00	LL 2 of 2015
Demolition	\$2/K (\$65 min)	Res. 2007-36