

## TOWN BOARD MEETING

Town of Ulysses

September 27, 2016

Audio of the minutes are available on the website at [ulysses.ny.us](http://ulysses.ny.us).

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

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

### **ATTENDANCE:**

#### **PRESENT:**

Supervisor- Liz Thomas

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

2<sup>nd</sup> Deputy Supervisor- Michelle Wright

Board members- Michael Boggs, Rich Goldman, John Hertzler

#### **OTHERS PRESENT:**

*(none)*

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

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

### **APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA**

#### **RESOLUTION 2016-159:**

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board approve the agenda for September 27, 2016.

Moved: Mr. Hertzler

Seconded: Ms. Zahler

Ms. Thomas            aye

Ms. Zahler            aye

Mr. Hertzler           aye

Mr. Boggs            aye

Mr. Goldman           aye

Vote: 5-0

Date Adopted: 9/27/16

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

*(none)*

### **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Ms. Thomas confirmed that the new code enforcement local law is currently being added to the town's code. This will increase the efficiency of enforcement proceedings.

Ms. Zahler reminded the board that tomorrow at 8am Don Barber from the Health Consortium will come to present other health plan options that the town may offer to staff.

She also added that she will be meeting with Jacksonville residents soon to share enforcement updates for that area.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH MRB TO COMPLETE THE NEPA REPORT FOR THE USDA GRANT**

Ms. Thomas updated the board on the TTHM issue in Water District 3.

Mr. Boggs shared his concerns and ideas and the board discussed.

**RESOLUTION 2016-160: AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH MRB TO COMPLETE THE NEPA REPORT FOR THE USDA GRANT**

WHEREAS remediating the trihalomethanes in the drinking water in Ulysses Water District 3 could cost approximately \$1,000,000, and

WHEREAS the United States Department of Agriculture’s (USDA) Rural Development program has not only loans but also grants which could alleviate a large portion of the cost of remediation efforts, and

WHEREAS the same engineering report prepared for the application to the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation can be used for the application to Rural Development,

THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board authorizes the Town Supervisor to sign the needed NEPA (National Environmental Protection Act) contract with MRB for \$5000 dated Sept. 19, 2016.

Moved: Ms. Thomas                      Seconded: Ms. Zahler

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

Vote: 3-2

Date Adopted: 9/27/16

**RESOLUTION 2016-161: AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR FUNDING TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE’S (USDA) RURAL DEVELOPMENT FUNDING PROGRAM**

RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board authorize the Town Supervisor to proceed in applying for funding through USDA Rural Dev.

Moved: Ms. Thomas                      Seconded: Ms. Zahler

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

Vote: 3-2

Date Adopted: 9/27/16

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**PRESENTATION OF TENTATIVE BUDGET**

Ms. Thomas presented the 2017 Tentative Budget and reviewed some basic concepts of the municipal budget process.

The board discussed alternate strategies for contributing to the Highway Capital Plan reserve fund.

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

*(none)*

**MONTHLY BUSINESS**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**RESOLUTION 2016-162: APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 9/13/16**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board approve the minutes of 9/13/16.

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: 9/27/16

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Ms. Zahler made a motion to move into Executive Session at 9:04pm for the purpose of discussing the possible acquisition of real estate where a public discussion may affect the price or terms. This was seconded by Mr. Goldman and passed unanimously.

Ms. Zahler moved to end Executive Session at 9:40pm, seconded by Mr. Goldman and passed unanimously.

**ADJOURN:**

Mr. Goldman moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:41pm; seconded by Mr. Hertzler and passed unanimously.

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*Respectfully submitted by Carissa Parlato on 9/28/16.*