

## TOWN BOARD MEETING

Town of Ulysses

September 25, 2018

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

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### **ATTENDANCE:**

TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Supervisor- Liz Thomas

Board members- Michael Boggs, John Hertzler, Rich Goldman, Nancy Zahler

Town Clerk- Carissa Parlato

Bookkeeper- Nina Thompson

Environmental Planner- John Zepko

OTHERS PRESENT:

Pete Angie, Roxanne Marino, Joe Miller, Bob Howarth

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

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

### **APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA**

#### **RESOLUTION 2018-165: APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board approve the agenda for September 25, 2018 with the addition of discussions on budget and payroll.

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: 9/25/18

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

*(none)*

### **GENERAL UPDATES:**

*(this agenda item was moved to later in meeting)*

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**SUPPORT FOR JACKSONVILLE PLANNING**

Ms. Zahler clarified that this project differs from the zoning update in that zoning draws the outlines and development of a special area plan colors in the picture. This resolution is a baby step toward that goal.

**RESOLUTION 2018-166: SUPPORT FOR JACKSONVILLE PLANNING**

**Whereas**, the Town of Ulysses 2009 Comprehensive Plan calls for the development of a Special Area Plan for Jacksonville in order to define how the hamlet may be developed as new uses are proposed; and

**Whereas**, the 2009 Route 96 Corridor Plan endorsed by the Town of Ulysses calls for the development of Jacksonville as a node for more residential and mixed use development that can be enhanced through better cross-walks, bicycle lanes and walking paths that connect residents to transit stops, residences, businesses, and the Jacksonville Community Park, allowing residents to get around the hamlet more easily; and

**Whereas**, the Town of Ulysses purchased several properties from Exxon Mobil in 2017 as partial implementation of the Comprehensive Plan's goals of historic preservation and hamlet revitalization and

**Whereas**, the Zoning Update Project underway since 2015 has increased interest in the future of the hamlet and

**Whereas**, the Jacksonville Community Association (JCA) has developed a new, active board of directors and has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Town of Ulysses for shared services for the Jacksonville Park, and

**Whereas**, the Jacksonville Community Association and the Town of Ulysses have shared interests in the development of a Special Area Plan, and

**Whereas**, there may be planning resources available to assist in the development of a full or partial Special Area Plan,

Now therefore be it

**Resolved**, that the Ulysses Town Board supports the development of a Jacksonville Special Area or Community Plan that engages community members in outlining goals and action steps to support the development of the hamlet as a revitalized residential node with amenities that enhance residential, recreational and commercial activity and further,

**Resolved**, that the Ulysses Town Board authorizes Nancy Zahler to work collaboratively with the JCA to identify planning resources and funding sources to help develop a Special Area Plan, while using minimal time from Planner John Zepko and further,

**Resolved**, that any proposal to support the development of a Jacksonville Community Plan that involves staff time or financial support from Town of Ulysses will require review and approval from the Ulysses Town Board.

Moved: Ms. Zahler

Seconded: Mr. Goldman

Discussion:

Mr. Angie shared that the Route 96 corridor plan and the comp plan demonstrate great outlines for Jacksonville development. The group that has been discussing this have submitted an application to Cornell’s Design Connect program to assist with the project.

Board members gave input.

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

Vote: 4-1

Date Adopted: 9/25/18

**SALO HABITAT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**RESOLUTION 2018-167: APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO SALO HABITAT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Whereas**, The Town of Ulysses created an Advisory Committee on September 11, 2018 to recommend guidelines for the use, promotion, and maintenance of the Salo Habitat, a Town-owned environmental area purchased for environmental and recreational purposes,

Now therefore be it

**Resolved**, that the Town of Ulysses appoint the following members to serve on the Salo Habitat Advisory Committee for terms beginning October 1, 2018 through December 31, 2019:

<b>No. of Members</b>	<b>Representing</b>	<b>Name of Representative</b>
2	Town Board or Town Government	Nancy Zahler, Carissa Parlato
1 member + alternate	Conservation Advisory and Sustainability Committee	Don Ellis, Bara Hotchkiss
1	Resident from neighboring properties	Aaron Rovitz
1	Ulysses/Tburg Resident Familiar with the Habitat	Marvin Pritts

**Further resolved** that the following representatives should be consulted as determined by the core advisory committee regarding stewardship: Village of Trumansburg DPW, Town Highway department, Fish & Game Club member, law enforcement; and

**Further resolved** that Nancy Zahler is appointed chair.

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: 9/25/18

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**HUNTING IN SALO HABITAT**

**RESOLUTION 2018-168: PROHIBITING HUNTING IN SALO HABITAT**

WHEREAS, The Town of Ulysses purchased the Salo Habitat for environmental protection and recreational use and

WHEREAS, the land may have been used by hunters in the past and

WHEREAS, bow hunting season begins October 1, 2018 and the newly created Salo Habitat Advisory Committee has not had an opportunity to develop guidelines for the Habitat's use and

WHEREAS, the Town of Ulysses wants to assure the safety of those who hike in the Salo Habitat,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Ulysses Town Board prohibits all hunting in the Salo Habitat for the 2018 hunting season and further

RESOLVED, that signs be posted at key entrance points of the Habitat to declare No Hunting Allowed and further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk shall widely advertise the Town's no hunting policy to inform area hunters, advise and protect Habitat hikers, residents and visitors by posting notices in local newspapers, on the Town's listserv and other places; and further

RESOLVED, the Ulysses Town Board ask the Salo Habitat Advisory Committee to recommend guidelines on hunting for the 2019 Fall hunting season.

Moved: Ms. Zahler    Seconded: Mr. Goldman

Discussion:

Mr. Boggs noted that he supports hunting but wants more information before allowing it on the property.

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

Vote: 5-0

Date Adopted: 9/25/18

**ZONING UPDATE**

The board discussed the zoning update draft in advance of Wednesday evening's meeting.

Ms. Marino and Mr. Howarth of the Zoning Update Steering Committee shared their viewpoints

*Mr. Hertzler left at 8:20pm.*

*Mr. Zepko was excused at 9:11pm.*

**GENERAL UPDATES:**

Ms. Thompson shared that Tompkins County Assessment has notified us that the vacant Jacksonville property owned by the town was re-classified for public use so no taxes are due.

Ms. Thomas discussed an issue with the pay periods. The board weighed in.

**APPROVAL FOR TOWN JUSTICES TO APPLY FOR JCAP GRANT**

**RESOLUTION 2018-169 AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF GRANT APPLICATION TO THE JUSTICE COURT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (JCAP):**

Whereas the State of NY offers assistance to local municipal courts through the JCAP, and

Whereas the court justices are applying to add a surveillance camera in the court chambers and replace court room chairs, and

Whereas JCAP grants have no requirement for a local match,

Therefore be it resolved that the Ulysses Town Board gives approval for Mark Dresser to submit an application for grant funding to NYS JCAP.

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: 9/25/18

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

*(none)*

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**RESOLUTION 2018-170: APPROVAL OF MINUTES- 9/11 REGULAR MEETING**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ulysses Town Board approve the minutes of 9/11.

Moved: Ms. Zahler

Seconded: Mr. Boggs

Ms. Thomas            abstain

Ms. Zahler            aye

Mr. Hertzler         aye

Mr. Boggs            aye

Mr. Goldman         aye

Vote: 4-0

Date Adopted: 8/28/18

**GENERAL UPDATE:**

Ms. Zahler shared that the new stop signs are up on Cayuga Street Extension.

**ADJOURN:**

Ms. Thomas moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:39pm; seconded by Mr. Boggs.

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*Respectfully submitted by Carissa Parlato on 10/2/18.*