

**UNION VALE TOWN BOARD MEETING JULY 18, 2019
TOWN HALL 249 DUNCAN ROAD LAGRANGEVILLE NY 7:30 PM**

PRESENT: Supervisor Maas

Councilmen: Steven Frazier, Corrina Kelley, David McMorris, John Welsh

Town Clerk: Andrea Casey

Town Attorney: Not present

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES

Councilman Welsh made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2019 which was seconded by Councilman McMorris and all were unanimously in favor.

Town Supervisor Report

Supervisor Maas stated that all reports have been emailed to the Town Board such as Abstracts, Building Dept Report, all deposits for General and Highway as well as the Escrow report.

Supervisor Maas spoke about the positive impacts of the cash flow report.

All members were given the cash handling procedures for review and approval for the August meeting. The draft procedure has been tested and is working thus far.

Cyber Security- Supervisor Maas spoke about another Town in Dutchess that was hacked and ransom was demanded. This is something that can happen to anyone however, our IT Company has already made precautions to ensure the protection by moving back up servers' offsite.

Clove Circle Update:

The project should be complete in mid-August and the Town and County did this for safety purposes as drivers were treating the Clove Circle with the same traffic pattern as the circles in the Town of LaGrange.

MS4 Update: Engineer, Tom Harvey, and Code Enforcement Officer, George Kolb completed the Stormwater report which was a tremendous task with extensive detail.

Town Properties 2 Tymor Park is nearly complete and it will be rented hopefully shortly thereafter.

8 Tymor Park Road (the large barn): Bob Turner, an experienced roofer, came for a site visit and will return to give a report of the longevity of the current roof and the issues that need to be corrected. Mr. Turner noted that this may not need to happen for 3-5 years and the Supervisor is hopeful that if that is the case the Town can put money aside to save for this project.

An architect visited this week to view the renovations on 11 Tymor Park Road to coordinate plans for a contractor to begin restoring this house to the proper historical vintage. Supervisor Maas also spoke about an anonymous letter she received regarding horse boarding and pointed out the proper Town Codes that were in question.

Due to the excessive heat this weekend the Supervisor urged all to use the pool and if needed, the Senior Center may be used as air-conditioned venue for those in need.

Board Member Reports

Councilwoman Kelley had nothing to report

Councilman Frazier spoke about an upcoming NYMIR training.

Councilman McMorris attended a class on solar and will also discuss climate smart communities later in the meeting. There was also discussion on the Constable vehicle maintenance as it is again in need of brakes.

Councilman Welsh brought up the rebuilding together Dutchess June 1 to Sept 30 for consideration for 2020. He read the information regarding criteria for those that may apply. He urged all that were interested to apply either online or by picking up an application at Town Hall. The Beekman Library also offers a program in September for those interested in learning more.

Highway: Superintendent Wisseman could not attend. However, Councilman Frazier read the report provided. This is on file in the Office of the Town Clerk.

Town Clerk Report: Town Clerk Casey reported that a Twitter Account has been created for Union Vale with the handle: Town_UnionVale. This microblogging platform allows posts up to 140 characters and can be used for important time sensitive updates as well as for camp updates to parents.

Public Comment: Tillman asked if there was government money available for zombie houses. There is not, but George Kolb does his best to communicate with the banks to keep them to a minimum.

Conservation Advisory Council: Ackie Busch, Chair of the CAC, stopped by Town Hall today and met with Supervisor Maas. She asked her to pass along that DEC will be releasing 4,000 weevils to control the mile-a-minute vine.

Recreation:

Supervisor Maas highlighted a few of the programs and incidents that have happened in the last month. She also reported July 25th will be a brainstorming session for all who would like to plan next year's events Oktoberfest will be approaching, save the date September 22, 2019.

Cell Tower – Councilman Welsh stated that the Town was approached by the Tower company to remedy a usage issue and further described the ongoing tower project and summarized the history of events. Due to a negative letter from the Beekman Supervisor, the State Legislature asked the Supervisors to work out the issues and, after that, the bill can return for review. There was further discussion on the topic and the Supervisor promised to keep everyone informed.

Furnace Pond Dam: The Engineers are working on the final piece of the analysis before the report is complete.

Solar Development: There is nothing new to report as of yet. However, the August 15th meeting will be dedicated to East Light Partners with a public hearing on the topic of the sight plan.

Excessive Speeding in Union Vale

Councilman Frazier asked that we ask the State and Sheriff to enforce the speed limits. Supervisor Maas also asked that there be police presence at the former circle to remind everyone to reduce their speed.

Climate Smart Community Task Force

Councilman McMorris gave information to the CAC and they will review to consider joining the task force and come back to give the Board a recommendation. Councilman McMorris further explained the purpose of this and the vast information available to all the departments that may be involved and the grant money that would be eligible for the Town to apply for. Discussion ensued further on this topic.

MOTION TO APPOINT TASK FORCE COORDINATOR

Supervisor Maas made a motion to enact Dave McMorris the Coordinator of the Climate Smart Communities Task Force, this motion was seconded by Councilman Welsh. All were unanimously in favor.

MOTION TO PAY BILLS

Councilman Welsh made a motion to approve budget adjustments, warrants, pay bills which was seconded by Councilman Frazier and all were unanimously in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT TOWN ISSUES

None

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Councilman Welsh made a motion to approve adjourn the meeting at 8:43pm which was seconded by Councilman Frazier and all were unanimously in favor.

There will be no work session in August

Respectfully Submitted,
Andrea Casey
Town Clerk