

**UNION VALE TOWN BOARD MEETING DECEMBER 7, 2017
TOWN HALL 249 DUNCAN ROAD LAGRANGEVILLE NY 7:00 PM**

PRESENT: Supervisor Tompkins

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

THE MEETING WAS OPENED WITH THE FLAG SALUTE

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Elfriede Tillman- At the Sept 7th meeting she questioned why the UV highway chipper was being hauled to Poughkeepsie. She noticed it is on tonight's agenda but does not understand what took 3 months to get it repaired. Councilman Welsh stated it is a Highway Chipper and to follow up with the Superintendent to find out further details. Supervisor Tompkins noted that it appears to be an electrical problem perhaps from being left out.

REPORTS OF SUPERVISOR & COUNCIL

Councilman Frazier said he will be meeting with George Kolb about the signage law.

Councilwoman Kelley wanted to thank all that came to the Ethics training, as many residents and all Ethics members were in attendance. She provided a sign-in sheet so that we may keep track of the training. She also spoke further on the timeclock system and why the record is being overridden due to documentation purposes.

MOTION TO ACCEPT TIMECLOCK CHANGE FORM

Councilwoman Kelley made a motion to accept a document that allows for better record keeping in the event the timeclock needs to be over-ridden which was a recommendation from the Office of the State Comptroller. This was seconded by Supervisor Tompkins and all were unanimously in favor.

MOTION TO CANCEL DECEMBER 21, 2017 MEETING

Councilwoman Kelley asked how the Board felt about canceling the December 21st meeting as there was little to discuss. Councilwoman Kelley made a motion to cancel the December 21st 2017 Town Board meeting which was seconded by Councilman Welsh and were unanimously in favor.

Councilman Welsh echoed Councilwoman Kelley's comments about the Ethics training and noted it was worthwhile and a very positive event.

**RESOLUTION #17-115 ACCEPTING PARK EMPLOYEE RESIGNATION AND
AUTHORIZING HIRING OF INTERIM PARK EMPLOYEE –Amended***

The following Resolution was offered by Councilman Frazier, seconded by Councilman McMorris, to wit:

WHEREAS, Thomas Tierney has tendered a letter of resignation from the Town of Union Vale Parks Department effective November 29, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Town of Union Vale Parks Director, Jake Gosnell has recommended the hiring of Adam Pratt on a temporary, interim basis.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Union Vale hereby accepts the resignation of Thomas Tierney effective November 29, 2017; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Union Vale hereby authorizes the hiring of Adam Pratt, on a temporary interim basis to the position of park employee at an hourly rate of \$17.00 for a period not to exceed 80 hours per pay period, commencing December 1, 2017.

Supervisor Tompkins felt that this should be advertised in the newspaper and wants this to be checked with the Dutchess County. She feels this is not fair and should be duly advertised. Councilman McMorris said he agrees that it should be advertised but also need to fill the position. Parks Manager said this was to fulfill the needs of the upcoming season he has no preference on

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Supervisor Tompkins stated that should be an on call basis. Councilman McMorris said he would like to hire him as a temporary employee as he had been formerly back in June.

AMMENDMENT

Councilman McMorris made a motion to table to resolution but grant Adam Pratt to continue his work on a temporary basis and advertise the position when needed. This was seconded by Councilman Welsh.

Councilman Welsh	Aye
Councilwoman Kelley	Aye
Supervisor Tompkins	Nay
Councilman McMorris	Aye
Councilman Frazier	Aye

AMMENDMENT

Councilman Welsh made a motion to accept Tom Tierney’s, Park Employee, resignation which was seconded by Councilman McMorris.

Councilman Welsh	Aye
Councilwoman Kelley	Aye
Supervisor Tompkins	Aye
Councilman McMorris	Aye
Councilman Frazier	Aye

RESOLUTION APPROVING JESCO TO REPAIR HIGHWAY CHIPPER- TABLED

The following Resolution was offered by Councilman McMorris, seconded by, to wit:

WHEREAS, the Town of Union Vale Highway Department Chipper is in need of repair;
and

WHEREAS, Town of Union Vale Highway Superintendent obtained price estimates for the repair of the chipper and is recommending the price quote of Jesco.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Union Vale hereby accepts the price quote of Jesco to repair the Town of Union Vale chipper at a cost of \$2,643.09.

Councilwoman Kelley acknowledged the question of the length in repair time. The next quote was November 9th. She is unsure of the timeline to complete this task. Councilman Frazier said he also rented a chipper from the Poughkeepsie area which needed to be returned to that area. He also commented that these machines often have computer malfunctions. Councilwoman Kelley questioned if this should be tabled until next meeting due to the questions.

MOTION TO TABLE RESOLUTION

Councilwoman Kelley made motion to table this resolution to ask proper questions which was seconded by Supervisor Tompkins.

Councilman Welsh	Nay
Councilwoman Kelley	Aye
Supervisor Tompkins	Aye
Councilman McMorris	Aye
Councilman Frazier	Nay

RESOLUTION APPROVING REPAIR TO HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT TEN-WHEELER- TABLED

MOTION TO TABLE RESOLUTION

Supervisor Tompkins made a motion to table the resolution to repair the 10-wheeler due to lack of information this was seconded by Councilwoman Kelley.

Councilman Welsh	Aye
Councilwoman Kelley	Aye
Supervisor Tompkins	Aye

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Councilman McMorris Aye
Councilman Frazier Nay

RESOLUTION #116 AUTHORIZING SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE DOG CONTROL HOUSING AGREEMENT

The following Resolution was offered by Councilwoman Kelley, seconded by Councilman Welsh, to wit:

WHEREAS, the Town of Union Vale Dog Control Officer is empowered to seize dogs pursuant to the provisions of the Agriculture and Market Law Article 7, §117; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Agriculture and Markets Law Article 7, §117, dogs seized by a Dog Control Officer are required to be properly fed and watered during the applicable redemption period; and

WHEREAS, Dutchess County SPCA maintains a kennel for boarding dogs and other animals at its office located at 636 Violet Avenue, Hyde Park, New York; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Union Vale desires to contract with Dutchess County SPCA to provide shelter for dogs seized by the Dog Control Officer upon terms set forth in the agreement between the Town of Union Vale and Dutchess County SPCA for January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Union Vale hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor to execute a Dog Control Housing Agreement with Dutchess County SPCA for 2018; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of said agreement shall be kept on file in the Office of the Town Clerk.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows:

Councilman Welsh Aye
Councilwoman Kelley Aye
Supervisor Tompkins Aye
Councilman McMorris Aye
Councilman Frazier Aye

RESOLUTION #17-117 APPOINTING BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW MEMBER

The following Resolution was offered by Councilman McMorris seconded by Supervisor Tompkins, to wit:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Union Vale hereby re-appoints Robert Casey to the Town of Union Vale Board of Assessment Review for a term commencing October 1, 2017 and running through September 30, 2022.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows:

Councilman Welsh Abstain
Councilwoman Kelley Aye
Supervisor Tompkins Aye
Councilman McMorris Aye
Councilman Frazier Aye

Councilman Welsh recused himself as this is a family member.

RESOLUTION #17-118 TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENTS

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The following Resolution was offered by Councilman Welsh, seconded by Supervisor Tompkins, to wit:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Union Vale hereby authorizes the payment of all General Fund Claims and Highway Fund Vouchers as set forth in the Abstract #12 of 2017, which is available in the Town Clerk's office, and authorize the Town Supervisor to make all payments.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows:

Councilman Welsh	Aye
Councilwoman Kelley	Aye
Supervisor Tompkins	Aye
Councilman McMorris	Aye
Councilman Frazier	Aye

RESOLUTION #17-118 TO CANCEL DECEMBER 21, 2017 MEETING

The following Resolution was offered by Councilwoman Kelley, seconded by Councilman Welsh, to wit:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Union Vale hereby authorizes the removal of the December 21, 2017 from this year's meeting schedule.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows:

Councilman Welsh	Aye
Councilwoman Kelley	Aye
Supervisor Tompkins	Aye
Councilman McMorris	Aye
Councilman Frazier	Aye

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON AGENDA ITEMS

Glen Morrison lives on Bloomer Road has lived there for 29 years. He noted that the amount of holiday light traffic has increased and the traffic jams that have occurred along with the trash, and ruts caused by the heavy flow. He appreciates all the family's that enjoy it but is curious to see what power the Board has over this and hopes there could be a better way to manage the hours of the event perhaps by reduction. He also is wondering about re-routing the traffic thought West Clove as another solution. Supervisor Tompkins said there is not much the Town Board can do about this however she suggested perhaps speaking with the homeowner to suggest this idea as Mr. Gay is a very approachable and willing listen to reason. Supervisor Tompkins suggested perhaps the Fire Department but Councilman Welsh said it is more of a decision for Mr. Gay or Town Constables. There was further discussion on why traffic was routed the way it was. Councilman McMorris said he would no longer be advertising for the event which should reduce some traffic. Supervisor Tompkins also brought up the monetary side of the Town paying for Constables hours. Councilman McMorris noted the extra hours were minimal estimating an additional \$1,000 and only go when in need of a public safety concern. In the end it was again suggested to speak with Mr. Gay to come to a solution. Councilman Welsh suggested asking the Constables to take a tougher stance of littering as the fines are \$500.

Councilman Welsh noted that this will be the Supervisors final meeting said he congratulated Supervisor Tompkins on doing everything she could and all the efforts she made through the years. Supervisor thanked everyone and said she enjoyed working with everyone and thought that it was a great Town Board to work with.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Councilwoman Kelley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:48pm which was seconded by Supervisor Tompkins, all were unanimously in favor. The next Town Board Meeting will be January 5th 2018.

Respectfully Submitted,
Andrea Casey
Town Clerk