

UNION VALE TOWN BOARD MEETING JANUARY 17, 2024

249 DUNCAN ROAD, UNION VALE, NEW YORK

UNION VALE TOWN HALL 7:30 PM

PRESENT: Supervisor Steve Frazier

Town Council: Pat Cartalemi, Kevin Durland, Kevin McGivney, John Welsh

Highway Superintendent Ed Kading

Town Clerk: Andrea Casey

Town Attorney: Attorney Jeff Battistoni

Supervisor Frazier called the meeting to Order to Order and Salute to the Flag at 7:30PM.

Supervisor Frazier made an amendment to the agenda to include the Parks Report and to move the Executive Session to item number 12 to revisit the resolution to discuss personnel appointments. Councilman Cartalemi asked if the Library Report could be added to the agenda. Supervisor Frazier noted that he would like to meet with the Library Committee first.

The motion to amend the agenda for the above-mentioned items was made by Councilman Welsh and seconded by Councilman McGivney all were unanimously in favor.

Motion Approve Minutes: Councilman Welsh made a motion to approve the November 15th 2023 Meeting minutes seconded by Councilman McGivney and all were unanimously in favor.

Motion Approve Minutes: Councilman Welsh made a motion to approve the December 20th 2023 Meeting minutes seconded by Councilman McGivney and all were unanimously in favor.

Supervisors Report

- Connected the electric for the hot water heater in town hall that was never done years ago during its installation, estimate was received for \$1,600.00 so the and Councilman McGivney did it in-house for \$160 worth of materials
- The Parks department took care of a water pressure issue at town hall in addition to installing a new faucet to replace the broken one
- Financials as of the end of December 2023: General Fund \$3,343,034.00 Highway Fund: \$523,893 for a total of \$3,864,226

Board Member Reports

Councilman Welsh – has been reviewing the items that were left over from last meeting regarding appointments. He noted there is a meeting on the 22nd for FEMA regarding a critical bridge due to damage of flood waters.

Councilman Cartalemi- was getting up to speed on a bunch of issues over the last few weeks. He wanted to point out that last meeting they voted on the Town Hall hours which were shortened from end of June to end of March. Supervisor Frazier said after speaking to the Tax Collector and Town Clerk, they noted there were no visitors after the month of March. He also spoke about resolution 24-7 and the discussion about that.

Councilman Durland – nothing to report at this time

Councilman McGivney- Thanked the Highway and Parks for snow removal and noted it was nice to assist in fixing some of the town hall infrastructure.

Town Clerk Report

Clerk Casey reported that 2024 Recycling permits continue to be on sale. Second, ACO Mary Jean Calvi, wanted to remind residents that the new animal shelter for Town of Union Vale is Mutts Mansion located on Rt. 376.

Tax Collector Report

Tax Collector Saglibene gave the Town Board reports of collections to date and noted the increase due to the 24/7 ambulance coverage for the fire district budget. The full report is on file in the office of the Town Clerk. She also noted the pay dates for the all the agencies she collects for and reassured the Board the absence of residents coming to Town Hall after the end of March.

Animal Control, submitted by ACO, Mary Jean Calvi December 2023

During the month of December there were no lost dogs, one found dog who was re-united with her owner, and two calls regarding animal welfare which were investigated.

Parks Report December 2023 Submitted by Vincent Germano

- Clearing the trails of leaves and downed trees as well as taking down the Christmas lights and decorations around the park have been a priority when weather permits.
- We prepared for the snowstorms that have come our way and thanks to the guys from the parks department for coming in on their days off when needed to make sure the firehouses and other areas we plow were clear and safe for those that need them.
- When weather is not on our side we have been doing maintenance on our vehicles, equipment and buildings. We have also started to remove the old and leaking filter tank for the pool so we can install the new tank before the pool season starts.
- Supervisor Frazier and I went around to the town buildings with a roofing company and are awaiting estimates on replacement of multiple roofs that are coming to the end of their life or have exceeded it.

Recreation, submitted by Recreation Director Maggie Collins

This upcoming Monday we will have registration open for our three Summer Camp programs on our Parks and Recreation website. We will be running our Kids Camp for ages 4 and 5, Traditional for 6-13, and our Teen Leadership Program for ages 14 and 15. Registration will be open for residents only from January 22nd to January 28th, and then will open up to non-residents on January 29th. We suggest if you do not already have a household account that you do so before it is open. More information on our camp programs can be found on our website, and any questions can be asked via email to the Recreation Director or at our office phone number. Registration for our TGTT Full and Half days is open for the rest of the school year. Students K-5th can enjoy their time off from school at Tymor Park and join in on crafts, activities, and games with friends! More information can be found on our website. As we move forward into the New Year more programs and events will be announced on our social media pages and our website; our staff is excited to host our popular programs in 2024.

Public Comment on Agenda Items:

Tillman spoke about the excellent presentation from Congressman Pat Ryan and the C.A.R.E Van. They visited the UV Senior group and described all the services they offer for the Seniors.

Executive Session

Supervisor Frazier made a motion to enter executive session to discuss the appointments to fill vacancies in resolution #24-7 which was seconded by Councilman Welsh and all were unanimously in favor.

Executive Session

Councilman Welsh made a motion to exit executive session to resume the regular meeting which was seconded by Councilman Cartalemi and all were unanimously in favor.

Amendments to Resolution #24-7 Town Board Official Appointments and Designations

Councilman Welsh made a motion to appoint Ted Eglit for Auditor which was seconded by Councilman Durland and all were unanimously in favor.

Councilman Cartalemi noted we have not designated a Town Planner in years and asked if it was something they should do. Councilman Frazier said he would look into that for next meeting.

Amendments Resolution #24-8 APPOINTING AND REAFFIRMING MEMBERS AND CHAIRPERSONS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND COUNCILS

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Union Vale appointed Alian Natchev previously to a seven-year term on the Planning Board expiring on December 31, 2029 and does hereby appoint Alian Natchev as Chairperson of the Planning Board for the year 2024; and

Councilman Cartalemi made a motion to appoint Alian Natchev as Planning Board Chairman for 2024 which was seconded by Councilman Welsh and all were unanimously in favor.

Correction to Planning Board Member list Larry Knapp who is already a member term expiring 2028.

Supervisor Frazier also noted they would like to appoint Josh Redinger to the Planning Board term expiring in 2026.

Motion for Planning Board Amendments

Councilman Durland made a motion for the correction of Larry Knapp (term exp 2028) and addition of the appointment of Josh Redinger to the Planning Board (term exp 2026) which was seconded by Councilman Cartalemi and all were unanimously in favor.

New Business

Supervisor Frazier stated as the Park Manager noticed, the Town Hall roof leaks as well as 8 Tymor, and the roof on 2 Tymor is crumbling. The Shop portion of the highway garage is also leaking which hasn't be replaced since at least 1984 which are all well beyond their life expectancy. He brought in a company to work up quotes and then the Board can discuss a resolution. Councilman Frazier noted that money that was received from the Federal Government that needs to be spent this year, and there are no restrictions on this type of use for the money. Supervisor Frazier noted there are grants for the salt shed, in which Councilman Welsh noted they are still awaiting feedback as one had been submitted to the State. Councilman Welsh and Durland stated it was actually applied for at least 2 times prior but the Town had not been awarded but they are hopeful for this last application. Supervisor Frazier will see if any designs had been made for the new potential salt shed.

Supervisor Frazier mentioned he had a lease agreement for 11 Tymor Park for \$3,900 a month and wanted to ask for Board approval.

Motion to Sign Lease for 11 Tymor Park

Councilman McGivney made a motion for the Supervisor to sign the lease agreement for 11 Tymor Park Road which was seconded by Councilman Durland and all were unanimously in favor.

Supervisor Frazier asked to request additional \$3,572 upgrade the megapixel for all 19 cameras for the contract already in place.

Motion for Security Camera Upgrade

Councilman Welsh made a motion to spend the additional \$3,572 which was seconded by Councilman Durland and all were unanimously in favor.

Public Comment on Town Issues:

Amy Watkins, Library Trustee President- gave an update on the library including a library survey with 42 responses and will also be on the website. Another requested item are e-books. 12 people have indicated they would like to be library volunteers and there will be 3 trainings available for those to attend. Dr. Watkins also spoke about other areas of interest such as Town History, bird watching, game nights and hopes to set up more programming in those areas.

Approve Budget Adjustments, Transfers, Warrants, Pay Bills

Councilman Welsh made a motion to pay the bills and which was seconded by Councilman Durland and all were unanimously in favor.

Motion to Adjourn At 8:22 PM Councilman Welsh made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Supervisor Frazier and all were unanimously in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,



Andrea Casey, Town Clerk