

Minutes following the 12/28/2020 Special Village Board Meeting

Welcome to the Special Village of Wappingers Falls meeting of the Mayor and Board of Trustees today Monday, December 28, 2020, 5:00 PM (ZOOM Simulcast Meeting)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL BY THE CLERK OF THE VILLAGE: Mayor Alexander, Aye. Trustee Marcojohn, Absent. Trustee Catalano, Aye. Trustee Niznik, Aye. Trustee Lammers, Aye. Trustee Huber, Aye. Trustee Poanessa, Aye. Attorney Wallace, Aye.

Tonight's meeting has been convened in accordance with the Governor's March 13, 2020 Executive Order 202.1, as extended, which suspends certain provisions of the Open Meetings Law to allow a municipal board to convene a meeting via videoconferencing. In accordance with the Executive Order, the public has been provided with the ability to view and participate in tonight's meeting, by computer, smartphone or telephone, and to view the meeting on the usual cable television channels. The recording of the meeting will be posted to the Village website and a written transcript of the meeting will be prepared and provided at a later date.

There has been a roll call of the Board members and there is a quorum present for this meeting.

I have also confirmed with the Secretary that this meeting has been duly noticed. We have fulfilled our legal notice requirements by posting a copy of the notice of the meeting on the Village's webpage and on the Village's' bulletin board. We have emailed a copy of the notice to the media, and we have confirmation that the legal notices for the public hearings have been properly published.

SPECIAL SESSION:

Motion by Tr. Niznik to adjourn into Executive Session at: 5:05 PM for the purpose of discussing areas marked (X). Seconded by Tr. Catalano. Carried.

All in Favor: 6 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0
Motion passes [6] – [0]

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- pending litigation in the matter(s)
- negotiations conducted pursuant to the Taylor Law
- the medical history of a particular person
- the financial history of a particular person
- the employment history of a particular person
- matters leading to the hiring for a particular position
- matters leading to the promotion of a particular person

- _____ matters leading to the demotion of a particular person
 - _____ matters leading to the discipline of a particular person
 - _____ matters leading to the termination of a particular person
 - _____ issues involving a special education student
 - _____ the proposed sale of real property because the publicity would substantially affect the value thereof
 - _____ the proposed lease of real property because the publicity would substantially affect the value thereof
 - X seeking legal advice from the Village's Attorney
 - _____ matters that would impact public safety
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Motion by Tr. Huber to exit Executive Session and return to the Public Meeting at 5:30:00 PM. Seconded by Tr. Lammers. Carried.

All in Favor: 6 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0
 Motion passes [6] – [0]

SPECIAL SESSION:

Approval to hire F/T Laborer for the Highway Department.

Motion by Trustee Niznik to hire Mr. John Corran as F/T Laborer for the Highway Department. Seconded by Trustee Huber. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Mayor Alexander, Nay. Trustee Marcojohn, Absent. Trustee Paonessa, Nay. Trustee Catalano, Aye. Trustee Niznik, Aye. Trustee Lammers, Nay. Trustee Huber, Aye. Motion did not carry 3-3.

Motion by Trustee Poanessa to hire the second applicant. Discussion followed.

Mayor Alexander said let's move to the executive session to discuss further.

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All in Favor: 6 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0
 Motion passes [6] – [0]

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Motion by Tr. Huber to exit Executive Session and return to the Public Meeting at 6:15PM.
Seconded by Tr. Lammers. Carried.

All in Favor: 6 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0
Motion passes [6] – [0]

Open public input 12/28/2020.

None received.

Motion by Trustee Lammers to adjourn the 12/28/2020 Special Village Board Meeting.
Seconded by Trustee Niznik. Carried. Meeting adjourned 6:20 PM.

Minutes prepared by J. M. Karge, Village Clerk