

December 4, 2017 – WORK SESSION

The Work Session of the Town of Dickinson Town Board was called to order by Supervisor Michael A. Marinaccio at 5:30 PM on Monday, December 4, 2017 in the Town Hall, 531 Old Front St., Binghamton, NY.

The members of the Town Board present were:

**Michael A. Marinaccio, Supervisor
Stephen M. Gardner, Councilman
Sharon M. Exley, Councilwoman
Danny F. Morabito, Councilman
Thomas J. Burns, Councilman**

Also attending:

**Oliver Blaise, Esq., Attorney for the Town
Susan Cerretani, Town Clerk**

Also in attendance:

**Code Enforcement Officer Stephen Rafferty, Town Engineer Ron Lake,
Public Works Commissioner Joel Kie, Planning Board Chair and Town
Historian David Wasser and one member of the general public.**

CHAIR

STATUS: 2018 ORGANIZATIONAL RESOLUTION

Supervisor Marinaccio stated that the holiday and meeting dates for 2018 have been reviewed and will be presented at our organizational meeting in January. Supervisor Marinaccio stated that there will be some appointment changes.

DEMOLITION OF 231 BEVIER ST

Supervisor Marinaccio stated that 231 Bevier Street was demolished last Monday. Supervisor Marinaccio was at the site along with Broome County Executive Garner, Margaret Scarenzi of the **Land Bank**, Councilman Burns and several of the neighbors.

SAFETY COORDINATOR/COMMITTEE

The Town received a letter from our insurance carrier – **PERMA** which included an insurance carrier contract. **PERMA** wants the town to establish a position of a safety coordinator. The responsibilities would include training, holding quarterly meetings, taking minutes etc. Supervisor Marinaccio will come up with a plan to share with the board. Attorney Blaise stated that he needs to review the contract. Councilman Morabito questioned whether there might be another insurance carrier option for the town. Mr. Marinaccio stated that a questionnaire was completed and mailed back to **PERMA**.

TASTE OF NEW YORK

Supervisor Marinaccio stated that there will be a ribbon cutting ceremony tomorrow at 4 PM at the **Taste of New York** store. The annual meeting will follow. Councilman Gardner stated that he will plan on attending.

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ATTORNEY

DISCUSSION/RESOLUTION ADOPTING LOCAL LAW CCA PROGRAM

Attorney Blaise stated that he met with Danielle McMullen from MEGA. Mr. Blaise outlined the progression of the MEGA CCA program.

- Town of Dickinson held an informal informational meeting in September.
- Town of Dickinson held a Public Hearing informational meeting in October.
- We need to review and make some minor changes to the Local Law.
- Next step is to pass/adopt the Local Law.
- Resolution separate from the Local Law (which has to do with the opt out portion)
- Set Public hearing next week for the January work session.
- Submit to the **Public Service Commission**.
- PSC approval.
- Another educational phase – early 2018 or in the spring of 2018.

Attorney Blaise had previously drafted a Local Law with revisions. The Local Law states that CCA is a program for “electric and natural gas supply service” and this needs to be changed to just “electric supply service.” Attorney Blaise also stated that the Village of Port Dickinson is not included in the program and they must do it on their own. Ms. McMullen will follow up with Jim DeGennaro at the Village.

Attorney Blaise stated that the Resolution includes:
Exhibit “A” - implementation plan
Exhibit “B” - needs to be put on Town letterhead – letter to residents
Exhibit “C” - Ms. McMullen will fill in the dates

Attorney Blaise will forward the paperwork to Clerk Cerretani for next week’s meeting.

PARKING RESTRICTION REQUEST CORNER REPUBLIC STREET AND LOWER STELLA IRELAND ROAD

Public Works Commissioner Kie reported that there are safety and visibility issues as you turn the corner from Lower Stella Ireland Road onto Republic Street because of cars that are parking close to the corner. Mr. Kie received a request from a resident to restrict parking near the corner. This is the second complaint we have received. Mr. Kie encouraged the board members to take a look at the area; preferably first thing in the morning when the cars are parked at the corner.

PUBLIC WORKS

- Public Works Commissioner Kie reported that the highway department is close to the end of leaf pickup. He reported that the crew will be picking up approximately 10 cans of leftover brush tomorrow.

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CODE ENFORCEMENT

- Code enforcement has been busy in citing properties for various code violations.
- Code Enforcement Officer Rafferty reported that **Microtel** submitted a revised sign plan consisting of a 4 x 14 ft LED extension on the existing sign. It will have to go before the Zoning Board for a special use permit. They are at their 30 ft maximum.
- Sowden Street sound barrier panels are being installed.
- Supervisor Marinaccio reported that it was called to the town's attention that there is an engineering study being performed on the **Sunrise Terrace Association** Community Center building.

PLANNING BOARD

Chairman Wasser reported that there was no November meeting and there is nothing on the agenda for December so far.

Councilwoman Exley reminded the board members that there is a Public Hearing at 5:30 Tuesday, December 5th in the Legislative Chambers, 6th floor of the Broome County Office Building regarding the **Broome Developmental Center**.

On motion by Supervisor Marinaccio, the work session was adjourned by a motion from Councilman Morabito and seconded by Councilman Burns at 6:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan M. Cerretani
Town Clerk