

**November 5, 2018 – 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, November 5, 2018 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**
- Danny F. Morabito, Councilman**
- Thomas J. Burns, Councilman**
- Sharon M. Exley, Councilwoman**

**Also attending:**

- Keegan Coughlin, Esq., (o/b/o Oliver N. Blaise III, Esq. Attorney for the Town)**
- Susan M. Cerretani, Town Clerk**

**Also in attendance:**

- Code Enforcement Officer Stephen Rafferty, Engineer for the Town Ron Lake, Public Works Commissioner Joel Kie, Zoning Board Chair Jeanne Compton, Administrative Assistant Beverly Wike, and 1 member of the general public.**

**PUBLIC HEARING #1 – 2019 BUDGET**

Public Hearing #1 was opened at 5:31 PM by Supervisor Marinaccio.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
ON THE PRELIMINARY BUDGET OF THE  
TOWN OF DICKINSON FOR THE YEAR 2019**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the preliminary budget of the Town of Dickinson for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2019 has been completed and filed in the office of the Town Clerk of the Town, Dickinson Town Hall, 531 Old Front Street, Binghamton, New York 13905, where it is available for inspection by any interested citizen during office hours.

The Town Board of the Town of Dickinson shall hold a public hearing on said preliminary budget of the Town at the Dickinson Town Hall, 531 Old Front Street, Binghamton, New York 13905, on Monday, November 5, 2018 commencing at 5:30 p.m., showing such changes, alterations and revisions as shall have been made therein by the Town Board. At such public hearing, any person may be heard in favor of or against the preliminary budget as compiled or for or against any item or items therein contained.

The following are the proposed year 2019 salaries for the elected officials of the Town:

Supervisor	\$23,120.00
Town Council members (4)	\$9,777.00 (each)
Town Clerk	\$35,152.00
Public Works Commissioner	\$47,250.00
Town Justices (2)	\$21,220.00 (each)

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Pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 258 of the laws of 2008, this shall service as notice of the exemption report. The report is posted on the Town’s bulletin board, is annexed to any tentative or preliminary budget, and shall become part of the final budget.

Anyone has the right to provide written and oral comments and ask questions concerning the entire budget or any portion thereof. Handicapped individuals or senior citizens who require assistance in attending said public hearing, or in furnishing comments and suggestions, should contact the undersigned Town Clerk to request such assistance.

By order of the Town Board of the Town of Dickinson

Dated: October 15, 2018

Susan Cerretani  
Town Clerk

The Public Hearing was opened to questions.

A resident requested a review of the budget. Supervisor Marinaccio gave an overview: Supervisor Marinaccio stated that there was a 3% increase in most salaries. Total budget is up from 4.4 million to 4.7 million dollars, the increase largely due to the Highway Department’s material costs. We have the lowest increase ever for health insurance - a 1 ½% increase. Expenditures went up 7%. Property tax up approximately 4%. The Supervisor stated that we have set aside some money for the Sunrise Terrace building in the event the town takes it over.

The Public Hearing was closed at 5:37 pm.

**PUBLIC HEARING #2 – TEMPORARY SIGN CODE**

Public Hearing #2 was opened at 5:37 by Supervisor Marinaccio

**TOWN OF DICKINSON  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of Dickinson on November 5, 2018 commencing at 5:45 p.m. at the Dickinson Town Hall, 531 Old Front Street, Binghamton, New York regarding:

A Local Law entitled “A Local Law Amending Section 600-32 entitled ‘Temporary Signs’”

The purpose of this Local Law is to regulate temporary signs in the Town of Dickinson.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the environmental significance, if any, of the proposed local law will be reviewed by said Town Board incident to and as a part of said public hearing.

Persons with disabilities who require assistance in attending said public hearing, or in furnishing comments and suggestions, should contact the undersigned to request such assistance. Communications in writing in relation thereto may be filed with the Town Board or at such public hearing.

Dated: October 16, 2018

SUSAN CERRETANI  
Town Clerk, Town of Dickinson

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The Public Hearing was opened to questions.

Attorney Coughlin explained that basically, the changes to the Temporary Sign Code are primarily to do with expanding the exempt sign list. Also, the revisions reduce the time limitations for temporary signs to 3 times a year, 2 weeks at a time.  
The Public Hearing was closed at 5:36 pm.

### CHAIR

#### SUNRISE TERRACE ASSOCIATION

Supervisor Marinaccio met with the **Sunrise Terrace Community Association** officers regarding the possible takeover of the **Community Center** building. It appears that all of the officers are in agreement for the town to take over the building. There was discussion on the desire to keep the association intact. The association officers will begin reaching out to the **Sunrise Terrace** residents for their input. Letters will be mailed to the membership and an information meeting will be held by the Association at the Town Hall.

#### AOTV MEETING

The next **AOTV** meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 15, 2018 at **Atrio**. Guest speaker will be the **Executive Director of the Broome County Office of the Aging, Lisa Schuhle**.

#### COUGHLIN & GERHART LABOR & EMPLOYMENT LAW TRAINING

Supervisor Marinaccio attended the **Coughlin & Gerhart Labor & Employment Law seminar** on October 17th. As always, it was an excellent meeting with a great deal of updated information shared.

#### MENTORING DAY 2018

Administrative Assistant Bev Wike and Supervisor Marinaccio attended the **Mentoring Day Breakfast** held at **BOCES**. The Supervisor later joined Assemblyman Crouch at his office and they discussed town and state government operations.

#### SUNY-BROOME PROJECT

Supervisor Marinaccio attended the **SUNY Broome** ribbon cutting for their new **Calice Center/Manufacturing** building.

#### VOTING POLLS

Reminder - voting for Election Day is once again being held for voters in **Sunrise Terrace** and **Chenango Shores** at **Cornell Cooperative** Extension.

#### DASNY GRANT

Regarding the **DASNY Grant**, Public Works Commissioner Kie and Supervisor Marinaccio are ready to resubmit the projects. This has been a 2 year work in process project. The projects remain the same but the Supervisor wants to make sure that the town board is fully aware of what will be submitted.

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<u>Messaging Board</u>	<u>\$17,160.00</u> tentative location is where the Sunrise Terrace sign is now located.
<u>Retainer Wall</u>	<u>\$ 2,588.00</u> (completed)
<u>Automatic Doors</u>	<u>\$29,765.00</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$49,513.00</u>

Supervisor Marinaccio asked for the Board’s input regarding the location of the messaging board. There was a discussion about the location of the messaging board. Initially, Supervisor Marinaccio proposed that the sign be located where the current Sunrise Terrace sign is located at the entrance of **Sunrise Terrace**. Councilman Burns and Councilman Morabito suggested that we consider other locations, specifically where the Town of Dickinson sign is now located at the intersection of Front and Old Front Streets. This location would be visible for a greater number of people and would not affect the aesthetics of the **Sunrise Terrace Community** with an illuminated digital sign which could potentially obstruct the view of traffic. Supervisor Marinaccio stated that he will re-visit and talk with **DOT Regional Director** Tom Wiser and ask for guidance. Public Works Commissioner Kie has concerns about providing electricity to the sign at the Front Street location and noted that that location is State property. Mr. Marinaccio stated that we need to stay within the original parameters of the Grant.

**CEMETERY FUNDS**

It looks like we are very close to finalizing our cemetery funds and being able to utilize those funds in maintaining the cemetery. Supervisor Marinaccio thanked Administrative Assistant Bev Wike for her hard work on this project.

**STARBUCKS/NEW OWNER**

Supervisor Marinaccio stated that he has communicated with the new owner of the 3 store **Starbuck’s** plaza. The new owner would like to enlarge the current **Starbucks** space with more options for coffee and seating.

**ATTORNEY**

**2019 BUDGET**

Attorney Coughlin stated that we will have a resolution next week to adopt the 2019 Budget.

**TEMPORARY SIGN CODE**

Attorney Coughlin stated that we will have a resolution next week to amend the Temporary Sign Code.

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**SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY & TRAINING**

Attorney Coughlin stated that New York State has come up with the final regulations for the new sexual harassment and training policy requirements. Starting January 1, 2019, everyone will have to comply with the new policy training. The decision has to be made as to who the contact person/persons will be for the town. Attorney Coughlin stated that New York State has put out extremely thorough steps to be followed. Attorney Coughlin stated that the goal is to make sure everyone can be more comfortable in their working environment. The Town will have to update the policy in the Employee Handbook and distribute to all town employees.

**WATER AGREEMENTS WITH JOHNSON CITY AND CITY OF BINGHAMTON**

Attorney Coughlin stated that the agreement with the City of Binghamton has been worked out. The water agreement with Johnson City is still pending. The Village meets tomorrow night and should finalize the agreement at that time.

**SNOW PARKING ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF BINGHAMTON**

Attorney Coughlin stated that the agreement with the City of Binghamton came through last Friday. Once approved by the board, Public Works Commissioner Kie will have to be authorized to be deputized.

**PUBLIC WORKS**

- Public Works Commissioner Kie reported that leaf pick is underway. Next Tuesday or Wednesday will be the last day for yard waste pickup
- Mr. Kie reported that the sewer hookup at 90 Terrace Drive has been completed.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT**

Nothing to report

**REMINDER: NEXT WEEK'S MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup> AT 6 PM AS MONDAY IS THE VETERANS DAY HOLIDAY.**

On motion by Supervisor Marinaccio, the work session was adjourned by motion from Councilman Morabito and seconded by Councilman Burns at 6:18 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan M. Cerretani  
Town Clerk