

Meeting of the Town Board, Town of Yorktown held on July 28, 2015  
at the Town Hall, 363 Underhill Avenue, Yorktown Heights, New York 10598.

Present: Michael J. Grace, Supervisor  
Vishnu V. Patel, Councilman  
Susan M. Siegel, Councilwoman  
Gregory M. Bernard, Councilman  
Thomas P. Diana, Councilman

Also present: Diana L. Quast, Deputy Town Clerk  
Patricia Caporale, Town Comptroller  
John Winter, Building Inspector  
Jason Zeif, Code Enforcement  
Jeannette Koster, Town Attorney  
Bruce Barber, Environmental Consultant

TOWN BOARD MEETING

Supervisor Michael Grace called the meeting to order.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion made by Supervisor Grace, seconded by Councilman Bernard, the Town Board moved into Executive Session to discuss a particular personnel matter and negotiations. Upon motion made by Councilwoman Siegel, seconded by Councilman Patel, the Town Board moved out of Executive Session and proceeded with the meeting.

AUDIT REPORT

Mr. Alan Kassay, representing O'Connor Davies, LLP, the auditing firm for the Town of Yorktown told the Town Board that based on their audit of the 2014 books, the Town of Yorktown is in great financial condition. Copies of the Audit and Management Letter are on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

Supervisor Grace thanked the Comptroller and all town employees for being efficient and controlling expenditures.

Councilwoman Siegel stated that she would be voting against the renewal resolution for O'Connor Davies because she would like a Request for Proposals (RFP) for outside auditing services to be done.

Supervisor Grace stated that they did an RFP for outside auditing services a few years ago and the town has received great services with O'Connor Davies, LLP.

RENEW CONTRACT WITH O'CONNOR DAVIES, LLP FOR OUTSIDE AUDITING SERVICES

RESOLUTION #311

Upon motion made by Councilman Bernard, seconded by Supervisor Grace,

RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor is authorized to sign an engagement letter with O'Connor Davies, LLP, 500 Mamaroneck Avenue, suite 301, Harrison, NY 10528 to serve as the Town's outside auditors for fiscal years 2015, 2016 and 2017 at the following annual rates:

2015	\$58,000
2016	\$59,700
2017	\$61,400

Grace, Patel, Bernard, Diana Voting Aye  
Siegel Voting Nay  
Resolution adopted.

REQUEST TO RENAME JACK DEVITO VETERANS MEMORIAL FIELD

Mr. Gil Kaufman, Mr. Gerald Knapp, Commander of American Legion Post #1009 and the commander from the VFW Post #8328 were present to request that the Town Board consider changing the name of the Jack DeVito Veterans Memorial Field to Veterans Memorial Park.

Mr. Eric DiBartolo, President, Chamber of Commerce stated that the name already reflects both Jack DeVito and the Veterans and should remain the same.

Mr. Anthony DeVito read a letter from former Town Supervisor Aaron Bock, Esq. which outlines how the name of the Jack DeVito Veterans Memorial Park came to be and is on file in the Town Clerk's office.

Mr. Anthony Grasso stated that he was a personal friend of Jack DeVito and the park was named to honor him for his dedication to our community. He stated that the name should stay the same.

Supervisor Grace stated that this field has many community events and Yorktown is known for its exceptionalism, the Town will make every effort to refer to the park by the full name. The Jack DeVito Veterans Memorial Field.

Mr. Ed Lachterman stated that the Yorktown Lions are working with the Recreation Commission to place trail signs at the Jack DeVito Veterans Memorial Park, the Shrub Oak Memorial Park and the Junior Lake Memorial Park, this will help to have the full name of the park recognized.

UNSAFE STRUCTURE 2515 GARDEN LANE

John Winter, Building Inspector and Jason Zeif, Code Enforcement Officer were present to discuss an unsafe structure with the Town Board. Building Inspector John Winter stated that the house is located at 2515 Garden Lane. It was damaged by fire in 2014 and needs to come down.

Supervisor Grace suggested moving forward by utilizing the Unsafe Structure Law. He noted that the town is limited in its ability to have the structure removed, he will contact the owner of the property to try and rectify the situation.

Building Inspector John Winter will prepare an unsafe structure resolution with regards to this building.

POSSIBLE AMENDMENTS TO WETLANDS LAW

Bruce Barber, Environmental Consultant discussed possible amendments to the Wetlands Law. The Town Board asked Mr. Barber to review the law and provide them with his suggested changes.

Mr. Ilan Gilbert stated that he agreed with Bruce Barber and the wetlands law should be amended to make it more streamlined for applicants.

Building Inspector John Winter stated that recognizing the E-Panel in the law will help expedite the overall process of review.

REQUEST FROM RED CROSS TO HOLD BLOOD DRIVE AT YCCC AND WAIVE FEES RESOLUTION #312

Upon motion made by Councilman Bernard, seconded by Councilwoman Siegel,

Resolved, that the Town Board waives the fees for use of the Yorktown Community Cultural Center by the Red Cross for a Blood Drive on October 11, 2015. The amount of the fee waived is \$1,414.49.

Grace, Patel, Siegel, Bernard, Diana Voting Aye  
Resolution adopted.

APPOINTMENT

TIMOTHY G. CURTIN – POLICE OFFICER

RESOLUTION #313

Upon motion made by Councilman Diana, seconded by Councilman Bernard,

BE IT RESOLVED, that Timothy G. Curtin of Yorktown Heights, New York is hereby appointed Police Officer in the Town of Yorktown Police Department effective August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 to be paid the contractual salary of \$40,644.00 annually,

BE IT RESOLVED, that this appointment is subject to a probationary period of not less than 12 nor more than 78 weeks, commencing on the first date of appointment on August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this appointment is contingent upon successful completion of the required medical and Westchester County Department of Human Resources approval.

Grace, Patel, Siegel, Bernard, Diana Voting Aye  
Resolution adopted.

APPOINTMENT

GREGORY PALLADINO – POLICE OFFICER

RESOLUTION #314

Upon motion made by Councilman Diana, seconded by Councilman Bernard,

BE IT RESOLVED, that Gregory P. Palladino of Yorktown Heights, New York is hereby appointed Police Officer in the Town of Yorktown Police Department effective August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 to be paid the contractual salary of \$40,644.00 annually,

BE IT RESOLVED, that this appointment is subject to a probationary period of not less than 12 nor more than 78 weeks, commencing on the first date of appointment on August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this appointment is contingent upon successful completion of the required medical and Westchester County Department of Human Resources approval.

Grace, Patel, Siegel, Bernard, Diana Voting Aye  
Resolution adopted.

APPOINTMENT

MICHAEL CAMPION – POLICE OFFICER

RESOLUTION #315

Upon motion made by Councilman Diana, seconded by Councilman Bernard,

BE IT RESOLVED, that Michael Campion of Yorktown Heights, New York is hereby appointed Police Officer in the Town of Yorktown Police Department effective August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 to be paid the contractual salary of \$50,804.00 annually,

BE IT RESOLVED, that this appointment is subject to a probationary period of not less than 12 nor more than 78 weeks, commencing on the first date of appointment on August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this appointment is contingent upon successful completion of the required medical and Westchester County Department of Human Resources approval.

Grace, Patel, Siegel, Bernard, Diana Voting Aye  
Resolution adopted.

ADJOURN

Upon motion made by Supervisor Grace, seconded by Councilman Bernard, the Town Board meeting was adjourned.

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Diana L. Quast, Deputy Town Clerk  
Town of Yorktown