

Work Session held by the Town Board, Town of Yorktown on June 12, 2012, held 363 Underhill Avenue, Yorktown Heights, New York 10598.

Present: Michael J. Grace, Supervisor  
Terrence P. Murphy, Councilman  
Nicholas J. Bianco, Councilman  
Vishnu V. Patel, Councilman  
David D. Paganelli, Councilman  
Diana L. Quast, Deputy Town Clerk

Absent:

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion made by Councilman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Patel, the Town Board moved into Executive Session to conduct volunteer board interviews and personnel.

#### WORK SESSION

Supervisor Michael Grace called the meeting to order.

#### FUEL MASTER

Department of Environmental Conservation Coordinator Kim Angliss Gage was present to discuss with the Town Board the purchase of a new fuel master that will replace the old one which is 14 years old. The Town Board decided to purchase the 3500 model because it will provide more information on fuel usage and preventive maintenance, etc. Mrs. Gage suggested starting this program with the Police Department and moving on from there. The cost of the system will be approximately \$54,000.

Supervisor Grace stated that this will help get a better handle on the number of vehicles that the town owns. He noted that there are 243 vehicles insured by the Town. Mrs. Gage stated that she has 209 gas vehicle cards.

Town Comptroller Joan Goldberg stated that the difference can be from having some vehicles on different policies.

#### GENERATORS – TOWN HALL & YCCC

Daniel Ciarcia, Engineer stated that he has done some research with the electrical usage in the Town Hall and YCCC buildings and recommends installing a 100 kilowatt generator for Town Hall and a 200 kilowatt generator for the YCCC.

Councilman Bianco asked Mr. Michael Dubovsky to come up and speak on the generators that are needed for Town Hall and the YCCC buildings. Mr. Daniel Ciarcia stated that he has spoken to Con Edison and it would cost about \$16,000 to run the natural gas line up from the roadway near the Highway Department. The Town would have to convert one of there boilers at Town Hall to natural gas.

Comptroller Joan Goldberg stated that the boilers in Town Hall have reached their useful life span.

Mr. Michael Dubovsky stated that the generator for the YCCC should be compatible with the existing transfer switch at both the YCCC and Town Hall. He also stated that the Town can purchase these generators off the New York State Bid contract.

Town Comptroller Joan Goldberg stated that \$100,000 for both generators was put aside by the last Town Board for the purchase of generators.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion made by Councilman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Patel, the Town Board moved into Executive Session to conduct volunteer board interview.

#### ROUTE 35/202 – PINE GROVE COURT AND STONY STREET

Supervisor Grace stated that a request from the New York State DOT was received and is asking if the Town wants to maintain 900 feet of hiking trails along the Stony Street and the Bear Mountain Parkway Extension.

Mrs. Jane Daniels stated that this hiking trail would connect to the proposed stop light at the intersection of the Bear Mountain Parkway Extension and Stony Street which would allow people to safely cross over to the hiking trail. She suggested the Town Board agree to take over the maintenance of this piece of property.

The Town Board referred this to the Parks and Recreation Commission for review.

#### NEW YORK STATE ROUND 11 GRANT

Mrs. Ann Kutter stated that there are two grants that they would like to apply for, a NYS Department of Environmental Conservation Forest Management Grant and a Hudson River Estuary grant. She stated that both grants would require a 50/50 match in funds but some could be used for volunteer hours.

Mrs. Lorraine DeSisto, Assistant planner stated that we could do some volunteer hours to offset the 50/50 match but not all of the Town's fifty percent match can be volunteer hours.

The Town Board agreed to place this on the next Town Board meeting agenda.

#### TOWN COMPTROLLER UPDATE

Town Comptroller Joan Goldberg stated that the Northern Joint Water Works has stated that the Town is responsible for a water main which runs to Catherine Street and the water Department has tentatively agreed to take it over.

Town Comptroller Joan Goldberg stated that there will be an increase to customers in the Yorktown Consolidated Water District. This increase is due to New York City cost increases not the Town.

Town Comptroller Joan Goldberg stated that the Water Distribution Superintendent David Rambo requested a blanket Purchase Order in the amount of \$75,000 for E.J. Prescott, the winning bidder for the purchase of water meters. She stated that it was a "Sole Source" bid.

Deputy Town Clerk Diana L. Quast asked the Town Board to give her some time to review the bid documents because she believed that there was more than one bidder at the time the bid opening.

The Town Board agreed.

Town Comptroller Joan Goldberg updated the Town Board on the KVS upgrade. She stated that the new software went over the \$40,000 resolution because the annual maintenance cost was added into that total. She also mentioned that the Finance Department and Highway Department has been trained on the new system.

Town Comptroller Joan Goldberg stated that she has gotten a request from some department heads to replace their phones with email capability. She stated that the cost for making the data service available is approximately \$35 per month which is an increase of ten dollars per month. Supervisor Grace stated that he would speak to department heads at the next staff meeting regarding this issue.

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENT LANDMARKS PRESERVATION LAW

Town Attorney Jeannette Koster discussed a proposed local law amending the Landmarks Preservation Law. The Town Board discussed additional changes to the proposed local law. The Town Board agreed to place this issue on the next Town Board agenda.

Supervisor Grace stated that there are several other things that the Landmarks Preservation Commission can do besides Historically land marking houses they can look to historically preserve many other structures in Town as well. The Town Board agreed to place this on the next Town Board agenda.

PROPOSED LOCAL LAW ADING FIRE LANES

Fire Inspector Ed Kolisz stated that there is a shortage of parking at the Police Department and Justice Court which is causing people to park all over the complex. He feels that No Parking Fire Zone signs should be placed on the road going into the complex because it has become a hazardous situation.

Mr. Edward Ciffone stated that the parking is a problem but more parking is needed to correct the situation.

Highway Superintendent Eric DiBartolo stated that there is an area behind the Justice Court that could be used for additional parking.

Councilman Bianco stated that the parking became a problem when the security gates were put up at the Police department complex.

CANCEL TOWN BOARD MEETING SCHEDULED FOR JULY 3, 2012  
RESOLUTION #254

Upon motion made by Councilman Bianco, seconded by Councilman Murphy,

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Yorktown hereby cancels the Town Board Meeting scheduled for July 3, 2012.

Grace, Bianco, Murphy, Patel, Paganelli Voting Aye  
Resolution adopted.

CREATION OF DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Mrs. Jane Daniels spoke on behalf of the Citizens for a DPW, she gave the Town Board an time line for getting a referendum on the November ballot to change the position of Highway Superintendent from Elected to Appointed. She stated that her intention tonight is to go over the time line leading up the referendum and not discuss creating a DPW.

Supervisor Grace stated that more information is needed for the Town to move forward with this issue. He noted that this would be a structural change not to mention the historical change as well. He noted that there has to be a more efficiency and a cost savings to moving in this direction and the town Board does not have enough information at this time to call for a public hearing.

Councilman Paganelli stated that the Town Board acts as the department of Public Works no because it oversees all department heads and projects.

Supervisor Grace asked what Mrs. Jane Daniels thinks the DPW would encompass.

Mrs. Jane Daniels stated that there are many different scenarios and her group did not plan on making a recommendation on the break down.

Supervisor Grace stated that the only way this would work is to eliminate department heads and right now all the departments are working together and helping each other out.

Councilman Paganelli stated that the Town has a dedicated staff and he isn't ready cut any jobs.

Highway Superintendent Eric DiBartolo stated that there is a lot of comments being made by this committee saying that it would be a costing savings to the Town. He noted that this should have come up several months ago before the Town replaced two department heads.

Mrs. Jane Daniels stated that they would do some research and come back to the town Board with more information.

REQUEST FROM SUPPORT CONNECTION TO HANG BANNER ON VETERANS ROAD

The Town Board agreed to allow Support Connection to hang a banner on Veterans Road.

PARKING ISSUES ON STONY MANOR COURT

The Town Board discussed two proposed local laws adding No Parking to Stony Court Manor. The Town Board agreed to place both on the agenda of the next Town Board meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion made by Councilman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Patel, the Town Board moved into Executive Session to discuss Third Party Administrator.

TOWN BOARD AGENDA

June 19, 2012

The Town Board discussed the June 19, 2012 Town Board meeting agenda which will be held at the Town Hall, 363 Underhill Avenue, Yorktown Heights, NY 10598. The televised meeting will begin at 7:30 P.M.

ADJOURN

Councilman Murphy moved, seconded by Councilman Patel, to adjourn the Town Board meeting.

Diana L. Quast  
Deputy Town Clerk  
Town of Yorktown