

Town of York
Close Out Meeting
December 27, 2019
5:00 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Gerald L. Deming, Council Members: Lynn Parnell, Amos Smith and Norman Gates

Absent: Frank Rose Jr.

Others: George Worden Jr. (Highway Supt.) and Kirk Richenberg

Supervisor Deming opened the meeting at 5:01 p.m. and invited Clerk Harris to lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Gates to approve the minutes of the December 5th Town Board Meeting. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

HIGHWAY REPORT

Mr. Worden reported that the department has been busy plowing and salting as needed. When the weather has cooperated patching of potholes has taken place.

Councilwoman Parnell briefly discussed with Mr. Worden the stop signs on Federal Road.

WATER/SEWER REPORT

Mr. Worden updated the Board on a recent water break that took place at ARKEMA. Once it was verified that it was not our responsibility (on their line), they called their contractor to fix the situation. Mr. Worden stated in order to be up and running quicker we loaned parts to them, but will be reimbursed.

Mr. Worden reported that we have not experienced any issues at the treatment plant, all has been running routinely.

**Supervisor Deming stated he is pleased to inform the Board that the Town of York was recently awarded a \$ 443,000 WIIA Grant (EFC) for the Retsof Sewer District, specifically to upgrade the lines in the hamlet of Retsof.

NEW BUSINESS

1) Village of Geneseo Water Contract:

Supervisor Deming gave a brief overview of the proposed contract, with specific points as it pertains to selling of water to other municipalities. The Town of York will be allowed to sell up to 50,000 gallons per day to Leicester and Covington and 5,000 gallons per day to Pavilion (two homes).

Councilman Smith suggested perhaps discussing with the Village that we may want to purchase water elsewhere if they do not reduce their rate. Supervisor Deming commented we would have to make sure we had another source of water before we could make such a statement.

RESOLUTION offered by Mrs. Parnell and seconded by Mr. Smith to approve the Water Agreement contract between the Town of York and the Village of Geneseo. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

2) Termination of Solar Moratorium/ Local Law #1 of 2019:

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mrs. Parnell to approve the following:

**TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF YORK
COUNTY OF LIVINGSTON**

RESOLUTION

At a regularly scheduled meeting of the Town Board of the Town of York, Livingston County, State of New York, held at the York Town Hall on the 27th day of December, 2019.

WHEREAS, on January 10, 2019, the Town Board of the Town of York adopted Town of York Local Law No. 1 of 2019 styled "A Local Law Establishing A Temporary Land Use Moratorium Prohibiting Large Scale Solar Installations Within The Town Of York" (hereafter "Moratorium"); and

WHEREAS, the Moratorium was a twelve (12) month moratorium prohibiting Large Scale Solar Installations (as defined in the Moratorium), while the Town considered making modifications to its previously adopted regulations relating to the development of solar energy system installations within the Town of York; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board established a working committee to assist the Town Board with recommendations on how best to permit such installations so as to harmoniously integrate with the existing agricultural community and landscape and to protect the continuity of agricultural operations as supported by the Town Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the committee met multiple times and solicited and/or received feedback and information from community members, solar developers and various consultants (including the Attorney for the Town and members from the Livingston County Planning Department); and

WHEREAS, the committee, with the consent of the Town Board and assistance of the Attorney for the Town, drafted a suggested local law to amend certain aspects of the Town of York regulations relating to development of solar energy systems, which such draft was presented to the Town Board for consideration; and

WHEREAS, after presentation of the draft local law the Town Board referred the draft local law to the County Planning Board under General Municipal Law §239m and also held a duly noticed Public Hearing, seeking public input relating to the proposed local law; and

WHEREAS, following the Public Hearing, the Town Board completed a review under the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (hereafter "SEQR") and made a Negative Declaration; and

WHEREAS, following completion of the SEQR process, the Town Board adopted the proposed local law with minor revisions; and

WHEREAS, as a result of completing the adoption of the local law that amended the Town of York regulations relating to the development of solar energy systems within the Town of York, it is no longer necessary to have an active Moratorium Prohibiting Large Scale Solar Installations Within The Town Of York.

NOW, THEREFORE, upon motion by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilwoman Parnell, it is hereby:

RESOLVED, that the moratorium created by Local Law No. 1 of 2019 styled "A Local Law Establishing A Temporary Land Use Moratorium Prohibiting Large Scale Solar Installations Within The Town Of York" as adopted on January 10, 2019, is hereby vacated and terminated and is intended to no longer be of any effect in law.

DATED: December 27, 2019

VOTE OF THE BOARD:

Gerald Deming, Supervisor	Aye
Lynn Parnell	Aye
Norman Gates	Aye
Amos Smith	Aye
Frank Rose Jr.	Absent

**BY ORDER OF THE TOWN
BOARD OF THE TOWN OF
YORK**

Christine Harris, Town Clerk

3) Board of Assessment Review:

a- Reappointment:

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mrs. Parnell to reappoint Chris Pascuzzo to the Board of Assessment Review for a period of 5 years, term: October 1, 2019- September 30, 2024. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

4) 2020 Organizational Meeting:

RESOLUTION offered by Mrs. Parnell and seconded by Mr. Smith to schedule the 2020 Organizational Meeting for Wednesday, January 1, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

BILLS

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mrs. Parnell to approve all claims brought before the Board. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

General Fund	#380-415	\$ 11,647.90
Highway Fund	#246-262	\$ 44,923.46
Consolidated W/S	#314-329	\$ 27,365.94

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mrs. Parnell to adjourn the Close-out meeting at 5:06 p.m. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Christine M. Harris
Christine M. Harris, Clerk

