

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 14, 2017

The Town Board of the Town of Conklin held a Regular Town Board Meeting at 6:30 P.M. on November 14, 2017, at the Conklin Town Hall. Mr. Dumian, Supervisor, presided. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Town Board Members Boyle, Farley, Francisco, Dumian
(Platt – Absent)

Town Counsel	Cheryl Sacco
Town Clerk	Sherrie L. Jacobs
Highway Superintendent	Brian Coddington
Secretary to the Supervisor	Lisa Houston
Code Officer/Dog Control Officer	Nick Vascello
Crew Leader	Tom DeLamarter
Zoning Board of Appeals	Tom Kelly

GUESTS: **Country Courier** Elizabeth Einstein
Broome County Legislator Kelly Wildoner
Evelyn Deeley
LeRoy Jenkins
Laurie Francisco
Peter J. Motsavage
Beth Marshall
Sarah Loughran
John Colley
Dawn Shafer D’Introno

MINUTES: OCTOBER 24, 2017 WORK SESSION & REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

Mr. Francisco moved to approve the October 24, 2017 Work Session and Regular Town Board Meeting minutes as presented.

Seconded by Mr. Farley.

VOTE: Boyle – Yes, Farley – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Dumian – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mr. Dumian acknowledged receipt of a letter of resignation from Timothy Vinkuns, a worker in the Highway Department, effective November 15, 2017. Highway Superintendent Brian Coddington stated that he is looking at applications and will make a recommendation to the Board at the November 28, 2017 meeting.

PUBLIC NOTICE COMMENTS/TOWN OF CONKLIN WELLNESS AND COMMUNITY CENTER PROJECT

Mr. Dumian invited those present to share any comments regarding the proposed Wellness and Community Center to be constructed in the Corporate Park. There were no public comments.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

REPORT: SUPERVISOR’S OFFICE

Report filed with Town Clerk.

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OLD BUSINESS:

CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS FRANCHISE AGREEMENT

The Town Board is reviewing the latest franchise agreement proposal from Charter Communications.

RURAL BROADBAND

Mr. Dumian stated that he and Town Attorney Cheryl Sacco have been trying to obtain information regarding the availability of grant money to provide broadband services in rural areas, but added that they have not been able to make much progress and that it is very difficult to obtain contact information. He stated that some smaller municipalities have had success with this issue, and added that he will be attending the Upstate Association of Towns meeting in Windsor on November 16, in hopes of obtaining some more information.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESO 2017-205: AUTHORIZE TOWN SUPERVISOR/SIGN AS AUTHORIZING OFFICIAL/NYS CDBG APPLICATION FOR FUNDING/CONKLIN WELLNESS & COMMUNITY CENTER

Mr. Francisco moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin authorizes the Town Supervisor, William Dumian, Jr., to sign as the authorizing official the NYS CDBG (New York State Community Development Block Grant) Application for Funding of the Town of Conklin Wellness and Community Center.

Seconded by Mr. Farley.

VOTE: Boyle – Yes, Farley – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Dumian – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

RESO 2017-206: APPROVE RESIGNATION/TIMOTHY VINKUNS/HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT LABORER/EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 15, 2017

Mr. Boyle moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin approves the resignation of Timothy Vinkuns from the position of Highway Department Laborer, effective November 15, 2017.

Seconded by Mr. Francisco.

VOTE: Boyle – Yes, Farley – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Dumian – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

2018 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

After a short discussion, the Town Board decided to amend the proposed 2018 Holiday Schedule by adding Monday, December 24, 2018 (Christmas Eve), as a paid holiday.

RESO 2017-207: APPROVE AMENDED 2018 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Mr. Francisco moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin approves the following amended 2018 Holiday Schedule:

January 1, 2018 (Monday)

New Year's Day

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January 15, 2018 (Monday)	Martin Luther King Day
February 19, 2018 (Monday)	Presidents' Day
March 30, 2018 (Friday)	Good Friday
May 28, 2018 (Monday)	Memorial Day
July 4, 2018 (Wednesday)	Independence Day
September 3, 2018 (Monday)	Labor Day
November 12, 2018 (Monday)	Veterans' Day Observed
November 22, 2018 (Thursday)	Thanksgiving
November 23, 2018 (Friday)	Day after Thanksgiving
December 24, 2018 (Monday)	Christmas Eve
December 25, 2018 (Tuesday)	Christmas Day

Seconded by Mr. Farley.

VOTE: Boyle – Yes, Farley – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Dumian – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

RESO 2017-208: APPROVE PAYMENT/BILL LIST/\$77,756.99

Mr. Boyle moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin approves the following Bill List in the total amount of \$77,756.99:

General	\$ 51,912.79
Highway	14,592.59
Fire Protection	1,218.33
Stillwater Road Project	4,747.50
Light Districts	110.13
Sewer District	194.81
Water District	1,553.34
Non-Budget	<u>3,427.50</u>
Total	\$ 77,756.99

Seconded by Mr. Farley.

VOTE: Boyle – Yes, Farley – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Dumian – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

RESO 2017-209: APPROVE RENEWAL/PITNEY BOWES LEASE AGREEMENT/60 MONTHS/\$517.05 PER QUARTER

Mr. Francisco moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin approves the renewal of the lease agreement with Pitney Bowes for a period of 60 months, beginning February 10, 2018, and at a cost of \$517.05 per quarter.

Seconded by Mr. Farley.

VOTE: Boyle – Yes, Farley – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Dumian – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

RESO 2017-210: AUTHORIZE MODIFICATION/STATED FROM AND TO BUDGET LINES/AS OF NOVEMBER 14, 2017

Mr. Francisco moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin authorizes modification of the stated From and To Budget Lines, as of November 14, 2017 (see attached).

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Seconded by Mr. Farley.

VOTE: Boyle – Yes, Farley – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Dumian – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

RESO 2017-211: AUTHORIZE APPROPRIATION OF UNANTICIPATED REVENUE

Mr. Francisco moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin authorizes the appropriation of unanticipated revenues (see attached).

Seconded by Mr. Farley.

VOTE: Boyle – Yes, Farley – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Dumian – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

RESO 2017-212: EXECUTIVE SESSION/PARTICULAR EMPLOYMENT ISSUE

Mr. Boyle moved to close the Regular Town Board Meeting and move into Executive Session at 6:45 P.M. to discuss a particular employment issue, person, or corporation.

Seconded by Mr. Francisco.

VOTE: Boyle – Yes, Farley – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Dumian – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

An Executive Session of the Town Board of the Town of Conklin was held at the Conklin Town Hall at 6:45 P.M. with Supervisor William Dumian, Jr., presiding. Present were: Supervisor Dumian, Mr. Boyle, Mr. Farley, Mr. Francisco, Attorney Cheryl Sacco, and four candidates for the position of Town Justice.

A discussion was held pursuant to Public Officers Law section 100 of the State of New York regarding the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation.

The candidates for the position of Town Justice were called into Executive Session in alphabetical order. At approximately 7:45 P.M. the last candidate left Executive Session.

RESO 2017-213: RE-OPEN REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

Mr. Boyle moved to close the Executive Session at 9:06 P.M. and re-open the Regular Town Board Meeting.

Seconded by Mr. Francisco.

VOTE: Boyle – Yes, Farley – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Dumian – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion continued regarding the position of Town Justice.

RESO 2017-214: SHORT RECESS

Mr. Boyle moved to close the Regular Town Board Meeting at 9:07 P.M. for a short recess.

Seconded by Mr. Farley.

VOTE: Boyle – Yes, Farley – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Dumian – Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

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RESO 2017-215: RE-OPEN REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

Mr. Francisco moved to re-open the Regular Town Board Meeting at 9:12 P.M.

Seconded by Mr. Farley.

VOTE: Boyle – Yes, Farley – Yes, Francisco – Yes, Dumian – Yes. Motion passed unanimously. Further discussion took place.

RESO 2017-216: APPOINTING A TOWN JUSTICE

PRESENT: Supervisor William Dumian, Jr.
Councilman Charles Francisco
Councilman Dell Boyle
Councilman William Farley

ABSENT: Councilman Willis M. Platt

Offered By: Councilman William Farley
Seconded By: Councilman Charles Francisco

The Town Board of the Town of Conklin, duly convened in regular session, does hereby resolve as follows:

IT IS RESOLVED THAT, after a long and extremely difficult deliberation and discussion about the four very highly qualified candidates for the position of Town of Conklin Town Justice, Beth Marshall is appointed as the Town of Conklin Town Justice, effective November 27, 2017 at a salary of \$19,200; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution will take effect immediately.

CERTIFICATION

I, Sherrie L. Jacobs, do hereby certify that I am the Town Clerk of the Town of Conklin and that the foregoing constitutes a true, correct and complete copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Conklin at a meeting thereof held at the Conklin Town Hall, 1271 Conklin Road, Conklin, New York, on November 14, 2017. Said resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Supervisor William Dumian, Jr.	YES
Councilman Charles Francisco	YES
Councilman Dell Boyle	YES
Councilman Willis M. Platt	ABSENT
Councilman William Farley	YES

Town of Conklin Seal

Dated: November 14, 2017

Sherrie L. Jacobs
Town Clerk of the Town of Conklin

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Boyle moved for adjournment, seconded by Mr. Farley. The meeting adjourned at 9:13 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Sherrie L. Jacobs, Town Clerk

