

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
AND
JOINT MEETING WITH PLANNING BOARD
SEPTEMBER 13, 2022

The Town Board of the Town of Conklin held a Regular Town Board Meeting, in conjunction with a Joint Meeting with the Planning Board, at 6:00 P.M. on September 13, 2022, at the Conklin Town Hall. Mr. Dumian, Supervisor, presided. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT:	Town Board Members	Finch, Boyle, Farley, Francisco, Dumian
	Town Counsel	Cheryl Sacco
	Town Clerk	Sherrie L. Jacobs
	Highway Superintendent	Brian Coddington
	Code Officer	Nick Pappas
	Administrative Assistant	Mary Plonski
	Town Engineer	John Mastronardi
	Planning Board	Paul Deeley
	Planning Board	Sandra Beam
	Planning Board	Daniel Smith
	Planning Board	Christopher Ostrowsky
	Planning Board	Arthur Boyle
	Zoning Board of Appeals	William Brodsky
GUESTS:	Country Courier	Elizabeth Einstein
	CMC Design-Build	Shawn Henderson
	Keystone Associates	Tyler Lozzi
	TeamWorld	Steve Wozniak
		John Colley
		Laurie Francisco
		Carrie Ostrowsky
		Anastasia Ostrowsky

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PUBLIC HEARING
TO RECEIVE INPUT REGARDING THE APPLICATION FROM LINEAGE
LOGISTICS FOR ADDITIONAL PARKING

PRESENT: Same as above.

Notice of Public Hearing having been duly advertised, Mr. Dumian opened the Public Hearing at 6:05 P.M. and invited those present to speak either for, or in opposition to, the site plan application from Lineage Logistics requesting permission to expand their parking at 1 Darden Way and 101 Broome Corporate Parkway. Discussion ensued regarding the application from Lineage Logistics to add two additional parking lots to their facility. It was noted that the site plan should be amended to record that less than 10 acres (9.92 acres) would need to be disturbed, so only the short form EAF (Environmental Assessment Form) would be required. Tyler Lozzi of Keystone Associates stated that the storm drainage issue has been addressed with the creation of two bio-retention ponds on each site. He stated that the entrances meet with New York State Department of Transportation standards. Mr. Lozzi explained that the addition will create 128 new spaces with 50 at Darden Way and 78 at 101 Broome Corporate Parkway. He stated that there is a chain link fence at the Darden Way lot, adding that any new lighting is focused downward and shaded to control glare.

Mr. Dumian thanked Lineage Logistics for addressing the longstanding issue of parking on Broome Corporate Parkway.

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There being no further questions or public comments, Mr. Dumian closed the Public Hearing at 6:06 P.M.

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Sandra Beam from the planning board asked how long tractor trailers might be parked on this site and Mr. Dumian stated that this is a non-issue now. It was noted that the Broome County 239 Review found no significant impact to the community.

The Town Board reviewed Part 2 of the SEQR (State Environmental Quality Review), answering all 11 questions regarding impact on the environment as “No,” thereby creating a Negative Declaration for SEQR. Planning Board Chairman Paul Deeley made a motion for the Planning Board to recommend approval of the site plan to the Town Board, seconded by Arthur Boyle, with all five members of the Planning Board voting to recommend approval of the site plan.

RESO 2022-112: APPROVE THE APPLICATION OF
KEYSTONE ASSOCIATES ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS AND
SURVEYORS, LLC REGARDING THE LINEAGE PROJECT

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

ABSENT: None

Offered By: Councilman Finch **Seconded By:** Councilman Farley

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

WHEREAS, the Town Board scheduled a Public Hearing at Conklin Town Hall, 1271 Conklin Road, in said Town for September 13, 2022, at 6:00 P.M. to hear all interested parties on an application by Keystone Associates Architects, Engineers and Surveyors, LLC, regarding property at 101 Broome Corporate Parkway and 1 Darden Way in the Town of Conklin, Tax Map Nos. 194.04-1-19.2 and 194.04-1-39, and located in an Economic Development Zone; and

WHEREAS, the application is for a site plan review for the construction of 2 separate truck trailer parking lots and a new exit driveway to Broome Corporate Parkway; and

WHEREAS, the Broome County Planning Department reviewed the application pursuant to GML § 239-m, and found no significant county-wide impacts; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Conklin Planning Board recommended approval of the application; and

WHEREAS, notice of said Public Hearing was duly advertised in the official newspaper of the Town, and posted on the Town Clerk’s signboard; and

WHEREAS, said Public Hearing was duly held on September 13, 2022, at 6:00 P.M., and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of, or in opposition to, said application, or any part thereof; and

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WHEREAS, pursuant to Part 617 of the implementing regulations of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, it has been determined by the Town Board that this is an Unlisted Action as defined under said regulations. The Town Board has considered the possible environmental impacts of the action, concluded that it will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment, and adopts a negative declaration with respect to the same; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board, after due deliberation, finds it in the best interest of the Town to approve the application as set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin hereby approves application of Keystone Associates Architects, Engineers and Surveyors, LLC, for site plan review referenced hereinabove; and it is 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 September 13, 2022. Said resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Supervisor William Dumian, Jr.	YES
Councilman James Finch	YES
Councilman Charles Francisco	YES
Councilman Dell Boyle	YES
Councilman William Farley	YES

Dated: September 13, 2022

Town of Conklin Seal

Sherrie L. Jacobs, Town Clerk
Town of Conklin, New York

The Planning Board adjourned at 6:10 P.M.

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PUBLIC HEARING CONTINUED
TEAMWORLD SITE PLAN APPLICATION

The Public Hearing for the site plan application from TeamWorld, which was opened at the August 9, 2022 Regular Town Board Meeting, was continued. There being no public comments or questions, Mr. Dumian closed the Public Hearing at 6:16 P.M.

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Mr. Dumian commented that the additional parking requested at the TeamWorld site in the Corporate Pak would reduce truck traffic, with truck exit routes being south to Exit 1. The Broome County 239 Review noted that the applicant be aware of the Susquehanna Valley School buildings in the area, as well as the Conklin Presbyterian Church and railroad crossings. Mr. Farley asked if there are plans for security lighting or fencing, to which the reply was there are

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no plans currently for either. Mr. Dumian stated that this is not a Town of Conklin issue. The purpose of the new parking area is for Frito Lay and/or other businesses in the Corporate Park to have a place to park their trucks in the event of emergency, such as flooding. Mr. Boyle asked if there is sufficient access for emergency vehicles, and Mr. Lozzi from Keystone Associates stated that emergency vehicles can still access the building from the south end of the site. Mr. Dumian suggested installation of a Knox Box. The applicant agreed to move three proposed trailer sites to allow access around the building for emergency vehicles. Town Engineer John Mastronardi stated that the SWPPP (Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan) looks good.

The Town Board reviewed Part 2 of the SEQR (State Environmental Quality Review), answering all 11 questions regarding impact on the environment as “No,” thereby creating a Negative Declaration for SEQR. The Board will vote on the below amended resolution, which includes installation of a Knox Box, moving the three trailer sites, and signing off on the SWPPP.

RESO 2022-113: APPROVE THE APPLICATION OF
TEAMWORLD, INC.

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

ABSENT: None

Offered By: Councilman Francisco **Seconded By:** Councilman Farley

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

WHEREAS, the Town Board scheduled a Public Hearing at Conklin Town Hall, 1271 Conklin Road, in said Town for August 9, 2022, at 6:30 P.M. to hear all interested parties on an application by TeamWorld, Inc. regarding property at 350 Broome Corporate Parkway, Tax Map No. 194.08-1-1.12, and located in an Economic Development Zone; and

WHEREAS, the application is for a site plan modification, allowing an expansion of the northern parking lot area for tractor and trailer parking; 133 additional parking spaces were proposed with the parking lot be constructed as a gravel/aggregate surface; and

WHEREAS, the Broome County Planning Department reviewed the application pursuant to GML § 239-m, and found no significant county-wide impacts; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Conklin Planning Board recommended approval of the application with the following suggestions:

Approvals and sign off for the SWIPPP is a prerequisite,
the EAF should be modified with 8(b) and 8(c) to read as yes; and 14 should list the wetlands,
an emergency key box (aka Knox box) should be installed and used, and
those storage containers, currently blocking access shall be removed, and access shall be kept clear.

WHEREAS, notice of said Public Hearing was duly advertised in the official newspaper of the Town, and posted on the Town Clerk’s signboard; and

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WHEREAS, said Public Hearing was duly held on August 9, 2022, at 6:30 P.M., and continued on September 13, 2022; and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of, or in opposition to, said application, or any part thereof; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Part 617 of the implementing regulations of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, it has been determined by the Town Board that this is an Unlisted Action as defined under said regulations. The Town Board has considered the possible environmental impacts of the action, concluded that it will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment, and adopts a negative declaration with respect to the same; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board, after due deliberation, finds it in the best interest of the Town to approve the application as set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin hereby approves application of TeamWorld, Inc., for a site plan modification, allowing an expansion of the northern parking lot area for tractor and trailer parking; and it is further

RESOLVED, that this resolution will take effect immediately.

CERTIFICATION

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Supervisor William Dumian, Jr.	YES
Councilman James Finch	YES
Councilman Charles Francisco	YES
Councilman Dell Boyle	YES
Councilman William Farley	YES

Dated: September 13, 2022

Town of Conklin Seal

Sherrie L. Jacobs, Town Clerk
Town of Conklin, New York

MINUTES: AUGUST 9, 2022 WORK SESSION & REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

Mr. Farley moved to approve the August 9, 2022 Work Session and Regular Town Board Meeting minutes as presented.

Seconded by Mr. Finch.

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

MINUTES: AUGUST 29, 2022 SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING

Mr. Farley moved to approve the August 29, 2022 Special Town Board Meeting minutes as presented.

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Seconded by Mr. Finch.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mr. Dumian acknowledged receipt of a letter from George Wylde of Powers Road requesting that the speed limit on Powers Road be reduced from 45 mph to 35 mph on Powers Road from Ketchum Road to Conklin Road. After discussion, the Board decided to request a reduction in speed to 40 mph from Hardie Road (instead of from Ketchum Road) to Conklin Road.

RESO 2022-114: RECOMMENDATION TO IMPROVE TRAFFIC SAFETY BY
REDUCING THE SPEED LIMIT AND POSTING SPEED LIMIT SIGNS
ON POWERS RD IN THE TOWN OF CONKLIN

At a regular meeting of the Town of Conklin Town Board, held at Town Hall on the 13th day of September, 2022, the following resolution was offered by Mr. Farley and seconded by Mr. Finch:

WHEREAS, the community and the Town of Conklin are concerned about traffic safety and the safety of residents; and

WHEREAS, a request from the community was presented to the Town Board alleging that a reduction in the speed limit was necessary on Powers Road between Hardie Road and Conklin Road due to various conditions; and

WHEREAS, currently the road is posted for 45 mph. The public requests that the speed limit be reduced to 40 mph for this portion of the road.

WHEREAS, the community and the Town want appropriate action taken to mitigate the life-threatening risk posed by the current conditions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin resolves to recommend to the County of Broome and the New York State Department of Transportation that, for those reasons outlined herein, the speed limit on Powers Road be reduced to 40 mph; that the speed limit be clearly posted; and it is further

RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution and the attached NYS DOT form shall be forwarded to the offices of District 52 Senator Fred J. Akshar II, Assemblyperson Joe G. Angelino, Broome County Executive Jason T. Garnar, and NYS Department of Transportation Interim Director; and it is further

RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

CERTIFICATION

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Supervisor William Dumian, Jr.	YES
Councilman Dell Boyle	YES
Councilman William Farley	YES
Councilman Charles Francisco	YES
Councilman James E. Finch	YES

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Sherrie L. Jacobs, Town Clerk

Mr. Dumian also acknowledged receipt of a letter of resignation from Amy Ricci from the position of Assessor Clerk.

REPORT: CODE OFFICER

Code Officer Nick Pappas stated that the owner of 880 Powers Road has been cleaning up the site, adding that Mr. Boyle had spoken to them asking them to clean it up. Mr. Pappas stated that the owners of the three campers parked at 57 Alta Road are getting help to remove the campers. He stated that he had two trials for Code violators, who were found guilty even though they were “No Shows” for the trials.

Mr. Pappas stated that Silver’s Construction has been working with the Community Christian Church of Conklin to help a resident repair their home, and has done a great job. However, he stated, Mr. Silver needs to remove the dumpster at his home on Camilla Street.

REPORT: WATER/SEWER/PARKS DEPARTMENT

Mr. Dumian stated that David Kilmer, department head, met with the representative from SCADA.

Mr. Dumian stated that Highway Superintendent Brian Coddington has a 6-foot pipe which could be installed at Schnurbusch Park to replace the 5-foot pipe that is there, for only the cost of renting an excavator and the cost of labor. Mr. Boyle will get the permit.

Mr. Boyle stated that the New York State Trees for Tribes tree-planting program is worded so that if the trees die, the Town is responsible for replacing them.

Mr. Dumian stated that Mr. Kilmer has “a lot of good suggestions,” including updating the generators at the sewer stations, and purchasing a compressor/portable jackhammer. Town Engineer John Mastronardi will be meeting with Mr. Kilmer and Colin Casey from the Water/Sewer/Parks Department. It was noted that Cody Smith’s water operator training is continuing, with the goal to bring him to leadership status.

REPORT: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Mr. Coddington stated that he has bids on the two 2008 Ford F250 Pickup Trucks and has two new employees, one of whom has his CDL.

REPORT: SUPERVISOR’S OFFICE

The Supervisor’s Report is on file in the office of the Town Clerk.

OLD BUSINESS:

2023 TENTATIVE BUDGET

The 2023 Tentative Budget was distributed to the Town Board for their perusal.

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TOWN HALL REPAIRS

Mr. Dumian stated that the repairs to the Town Hall roof and HVAC system may need to wait until spring of 2023, adding that the Town may try to take a phased approach to the HVAC issue. He stated that the Board will discuss this further at the September 27 meeting.

CULVERT PIPE REPLACEMENT/SCHNURBUSCH PARK

As discussed earlier, the Town plans to replace the five-foot pipe at Schnurbusch Park with a six-foot pipe that the Highway Department has at the Highway Garage. Mr. Boyle stated that the culvert pipe under Route 7 by the park is 12-feet in diameter and added that the smaller pipes are what causes the park to flood. Mr. Dumian stated that there is a safety issue and the short term solution is to replace the pipe. Mr. Mastronardi stated that Schnurbusch Park is in the flood plain and added that water will find its path if the river is high, no matter what measures are taken to prevent it.

ADVERTISING/HIGHWAY CDL & GENERAL LABORER OPEN POSITIONS

Mr. Dumian approved advertising for open positions in the Highway Department (CDL preferred) and General Laborer.

**PURCHASE OF PROPERTY FROM HOBART STONE/CORNER OF POWERS ROAD
& CONKLIN ROAD**

Mr. Dumian stated that the legal department is working on the paperwork for the purchase of the property at the corner of Powers Road and Conklin Road from Hobart Stone, Inc., adding that the price is "a very fair value to the Town." The plan is to create new ballfields on the site and perhaps drill a new well. The area in which the well would be drilled would not be classified as a park. Town Attorney Cheryl Sacco stated that the permissive referendum period ends on September 29, 2022.

GRANT MONIES/2018 FLASH FLOODING

Mr. Dumian stated that the Town finally received the grant monies from the 2018 flash flooding, adding that the money is dedicated to Highway.

STATE GRANT MONEY FOR WATER LINE CONNECTION

Mr. Dumian explained that the possible New York State grant money for a water line connection with the Town of Kirkwood is "on hold," adding that if conditions change, the Town may have to start over with the grant application process. It was agreed to continue with the geological study.

NEW BUSINESS:

PARKS/WATER/SEWER OPEN POSITION RESPONSIBILITIES

Mr. Dumian stated that the Board will discuss the responsibilities of the open position in the Parks/Water/Sewer Department and the full-time/part-time plan with specific personnel in mind later during an Executive Session.

REPLACEMENT/ASSESSOR CLERK

Mr. Dumian stated that he would like to hire a replacement for the Assessor Clerk position, but would also like to enlarge that position to include cross-training with other offices.

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WATER & SEWER TRUCK/POSSIBLE PORTABLE AIR
COMPRESSOR/JACKHAMMER

Mr. Dumian stated that Water/Sewer/Parks Team Leader David Kilmer is obtaining estimates for a new Water and Sewer truck and for a portable air compressor/jackhammer.

SECURITY CAMERA OPTIONS FOR PARK BUILDINGS & COMMUNITY CENTER

Mr. Dumian stated that Mr. Kilmer met with representatives from Myers Security to discuss options for security cameras for buildings at Schnurbusch Park and at the Community Center, adding that he is awaiting feedback, with the most promising option being multiple cameras attached to one hub.

RESO 2022-115: RATIFY PAYMENT/PITNEY BOWES/REFILL OF POSTAGE
METER

Mr. Farley moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin ratifies an ACH payment in the amount of \$500.00 on August 10, 2022, to Pitney Bowes for refill of the postage meter.

Seconded by Mr. Francisco.

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

RESO 2022-116: RATIFY PAYMENT/PITNEY BOWES/REFILL OF POSTAGE
METER

Mr. Francisco moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin ratifies an ACH payment in the amount of \$500.00 on August 18, 2022, to Pitney Bowes for refill of the postage meter.

Seconded by Mr. Finch.

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

RESO 2022-117: RATIFY PAYMENT/CLAIMS #22-00763 - #22-00790/\$44,024.39

Mr. Francisco moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin ratifies payment of the following Claims #22-00763 through #22-00790, which have been audited and approved for payment, in the total amount of \$44,024.39:

General	\$ 9,173.21
Highway	32,036.73
Water District	602.45
Non-Budgeted	<u>2,212.00</u>
Total	\$ 44,024.39

Seconded by Mr. Farley.

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

RESO 2022-118: AUTHORIZE PAYMENT/CLAIMS #22-00799 - #22-00856/\$210,901.81

Mr. Finch moved for the following resolution:

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Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin authorizes payment of the following Claims #22-00799 through #22-00856, which have been audited and approved for payment, in the total amount of \$210,901.81:

General	\$ 30,551.46
Highway	160,794.98
Light Districts	1,241.50
Sewer District #1	1,547.68
Consolidated Water District	4,693.65
Water District #6	7,390.54
Non-Budgeted	<u>4,632.00</u>
Total	\$ 210,901.81

Seconded by Mr. Boyle.

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

RESO 22-119: APPROVE MONTHLY CELL PHONE REIMBURSEMENT/KILMER

Mr. Francisco moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin approves a monthly cell phone reimbursement at the rate of \$50.00 per month for David Kilmer, effective August 22, 2022.

Seconded by Mr. Farley.

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

RESO 2022-120: ACCEPT RESIGNATION/AMY RICCI/ASSESSOR'S ASSISTANT

Mr. Boyle moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin accepts the resignation of Amy Ricci from the position of Assessor's Assistant, effective September 16, 2022.

Seconded by Mr. Francisco.

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

RESO 2022-121: APPROVE HIRING/DOUG GENEROUX/HIGHWAY LABORER

Mr. Finch moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin approves the hiring of Doug Generoux to the position of Highway Laborer, at a pay rate of \$22.00 per hour, effective September 26, 2022.

Seconded by Mr. Farley.

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

RESO 2022-122: APPROVE HIRING/GEOFF SUTLIFF/HIGHWAY LABORER

Mr. Farley moved for the following resolution:

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Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin approves the hiring of Geoff Sutliff to the position of Highway Laborer, with a pay rate of \$22.00 per hour, effective September 26, 2022.

Seconded by Mr. Francisco.

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

**RESO 2022-123: AWARD BIDS/TWO 2008 FORD F250 PICKUP TRUCKS/
JEFF HAYES**

Mr. Farley moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin awards the bids on two 2008 Ford F250 Pickup Trucks to Jeff Hayes for a bid amount of \$350.00 per truck.

Seconded by Mr. Finch.

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

RESO 2022-124: AUTHORIZE MODIFICATION/BUDGET LINES/09-13-2022

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 September 13, 2022 (see attached).

Seconded by Mr. Farley.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

DOG PARK

Mr. Finch noted that there are holes in the fence near the gate at the dog park. Mr. Kilmer will look at it and try to fix it. Mr. Finch suggested charging a small fee to use the dog park, with a discount for Conklin residents, citing the expense of dog refuse bags and repair and maintenance of the dog park. He stated that it could be an annual permit that came with a tag for access to the dog park.

NYS DOT/ROUTE 7 CLEANOUT

Mr. Boyle stated that the New York State Department of Transportation needs to clean out the culvert pipe on Route 7 near the dry bridge/Shirley Avenue. He stated that he contacted the DOT office in Kirkwood and they stated they will work on cleaning out that pipe. Mr. Boyle also stated that he has a meeting scheduled with the DEC (New York State Department of Environmental Conservation) office in Syracuse.

YOUTH SPORTS

Mr. Farley reported that the Town Soccer and Football programs are going well.

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RAILROAD ISSUES

Mr. Farley stated that he received a complaint from Mr. Francisco that the railroad had three crossings blocked for 55 minutes, which Mr. Farley stated was caused by a power distribution issue that the railroad company was experiencing. Mr. Dumian asked if Mr. Farley had an update on the request to stop blowing the train whistle at the Carlin Road crossing, which is closed to traffic, and Mr. Farley replied that he has had no response from the railroad company. He stated that the Town could apply for a non-blowing policy for a non-active crossing, adding that there would be no liability to the Town because the crossing is double-gated.

RESO 2022-125: EXECUTIVE SESSION/PERSONNEL ISSUE

Mr. Dumian moved to close the Regular Town Board Meeting and move into Executive Session at 7:25 P.M. to discuss a specific personnel issue.

Seconded by Mr. Farley.

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

RESO 2022-126: RE-OPEN REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

Mr. Francisco moved to close the Executive Session and re-open the Regular Town Board Meeting at 8:21 P.M.

Seconded by Mr. Farley.

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

RESO 2022-127: APPROVE HIRING/SEAN CODDINGTON/SEASONAL LABORER

Mr. Finch moved for the following resolution:

Be It Resolved: that the Town Board of the Town of Conklin approves the hiring of Sean Coddington to the position of Seasonal Laborer, at a pay rate of \$16.00 per hour, effective September 14, 2022, on an as-needed basis.

Seconded by Mr. Francisco.

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

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Francisco moved for adjournment, seconded by Mr. Dumian. The meeting adjourned at 8:22 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherrie L. Jacobs
Town Clerk