

REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF NEW HARTFORD, NEW YORK,
HELD AT TOWN HALL, 8635 CLINTON STREET, NEW HARTFORD, NY ON
MONDAY, MARCH 29, 2021 @ 6:00 P.M.

Town Supervisor Miscione called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. and led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. The roll was then taken with the following Town Officials and Department Heads being present during the progress of the meeting.

TOWN BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councilman James J. Messa
Councilman Richard M. Lenart
Councilman David M. Reynolds
Councilman Richard B. Woodland, Jr.
Supervisor Paul A. Miscione

OTHER TOWN OFFICIALS/EMPLOYEES PRESENT:

Deputy Town Supervisor Anthony J. Trevisani
Personnel Technician Barbara Schwenzfeier
Town Attorney Herbert Cully
Acting Town Clerk Cheryl Jassak-Huther
Highway Superintendent Richard Sherman
Police Chief Michael Inserra
Deputy Registrar Kayla Empey

Thereafter a quorum was declared present for the transaction of business.

I. PUBLIC HEARING

Police Reform Plan

Supervisor Paul A. Miscione – It was emailed out, on our website, put Facebook, and we advertised tonight to be the meeting for this. Motion to open for the Public Meeting.

Councilman Messa introduced the following Resolution for adoption and seconded by Councilman Reynolds:

(RESOLUTION NO. 120 OF 2021)

RESOLVED, the Town of New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve to open the meeting up to the public.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa - Aye

Councilman Lenart - Aye
Councilman Reynolds - Aye
Councilman Woodland - Aye
Supervisor Miscione - Aye

The Resolution was unanimously carried and duly *ADOPTED*.

II. PRESENTATION/COMMENTS

Supervisor Paul A. Miscione – Public comments – limit to five minute per person (no one was in attendance from the public)

Councilman Woodland introduced the following Resolution for adoption and seconded by Councilman Lenart:

(RESOLUTION NO. 121 OF 2021)

RESOLVED, the Town of New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve to close the public hearing.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa - Aye
Councilman Lenart - Aye
Councilman Reynolds - Aye
Councilman Woodland - Aye
Supervisor Miscione - Aye

The Resolution was unanimously carried and duly *ADOPTED*.

B. Supervisor Paul A. Miscione – motion to approve the Police Reform Plan; attached is plan for the Board.

Councilman Reynolds introduced the following Resolution for adoption and seconded by Councilman Lenart:

(RESOLUTION NO. 122 OF 2021)

RESOLVED, the Town of New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve to the Police Reform Plan.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa - Aye
Councilman Lenart - Aye

Councilman Reynolds - Aye
Councilman Woodland - Aye
Supervisor Miscione - Aye

The Resolution was unanimously carried and duly *ADOPTED*.

Supervisor Paul A. Miscione – we will submit the Plan and the Resolution signed by the Town Clerk to New York State for our April 1st deadline. Thank you to the committee and the Police Department for working on this.

III. REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICIALS BY STANDING COMMITTEE/TOWN SUPERVISOR/TOWN ATTORNEY

Supervisor Paul A. Miscione – Game of Chance License for the New Hartford American Legion Post 1376 – submitted their application and check to the Clerk's Office – two separate ones: Bell Jar and Game of Chance

Councilman Woodland introduced the following Resolution for adoption and seconded by Councilman Lenart:

(RESOLUTION NO. 123 OF 2021)

RESOLVED, the Town of New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve the New Hartford American Legion Game of Chance application.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa - Aye
Councilman Lenart - Aye
Councilman Reynolds - Aye
Councilman Woodland - Aye
Supervisor Miscione - Aye

The Resolution was unanimously carried and duly *ADOPTED*.

Councilman Woodland introduced the following Resolution for adoption and seconded by Councilman Lenart:

(RESOLUTION NO. 124 OF 2021)

RESOLVED, the Town of New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve the New Hartford American Legion Bell Jar application.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa - Aye
Councilman Lenart - Aye
Councilman Reynolds - Aye
Councilman Woodland - Aye
Supervisor Miscione - Aye

The Resolution was unanimously carried and duly *ADOPTED*.

Supervisor Paul A. Miscione – approve the Flags to be displayed at the Veterans Memorial Park on June 12 – 19. It is a nice ceremony. New York Mills does the flags and ceremony as well at their Memorial Park.

Councilman Lenart introduced the following Resolution for adoption and seconded by Councilman Messa:

(RESOLUTION NO. 125 OF 2021)

RESOLVED, the Town of New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve the flags to be displayed at the Veterans Memorial Park.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa - Aye
Councilman Lenart - Aye
Councilman Reynolds - Aye
Councilman Woodland - Aye
Supervisor Miscione - Aye

The Resolution was unanimously carried and duly *ADOPTED*.

Supervisor Paul A. Miscione – submittal for a letter of intent for a small piece of property that the Town of New Hartford owns located at the direct end of Glen Street. It is a small 60' wide strip located in the front of the residence of the Eva Kelly trust. A copy of the tax map was given showing the property under consideration. Dean Kelly's letter asked to know the process for them to be able to purchase the property; Town Attorney Herbert Cully – part of the property is in the village and part is in the Town. - would like Frank Donato prepare an estimate on the value and to make sure. - Thought there was another house at the end and wants to make sure before moving forward.

Councilman Woodland introduced the following Resolution for adoption and seconded by Councilman Reynolds.

(RESOLUTION NO. 126 OF 2021)

RESOLVED, the Town of New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve to move ahead with the appraisal.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Lenart	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Woodland	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolution was unanimously carried and duly *ADOPTED*.

Police Chief Michael Inserra – Investigator Shane Yoxall retired and leaves an opening – would like to appointment of a new employee (Emerah Latic)– has been a police officer for 4 years - has been with the Oneida County Sheriff for the past 3 years, it would be a lateral transfer – a quick orientation for our Town. Effective start date – April 12, 2021.

Councilman Reynolds introduced the following Resolution for adoption and seconded by Councilman Messa.

(RESOLUTION NO. 127 OF 2021)

RESOLVED, the Town of New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve to accept the lateral transfer of a new employee for the Police Department.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Lenart	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Woodland	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolution was unanimously carried and duly *ADOPTED*.

Supervisor Paul A. Miscione – we do have our minutes from our last meeting (March 24th) – we do not have Resolution numbers yet because the meeting minutes have not been done back in January and February. They were not completed yet so we start usually at the beginning of the year and we go in order as the Resolutions were created. All the minutes are here from the last meeting.

Councilman Messa introduced the following Resolution for adoption and seconded by Councilman Lenart.

(RESOLUTION NO. 128 OF 2021)

RESOLVED, the Town of New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve the minutes from the March 24, 2021 meeting.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Lenart	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Woodland	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolution was unanimously carried and duly *ADOPTED*.

Supervisor Paul A. Miscione – Barb to put the minutes online and make a sub note that there are no Resolution numbers yet – there will be after the January and February meeting minutes are complete.

Highway Superintendent Richard Sherman – Update on the Bleachery Ave. house – April 5th they will be on site

Town Attorney Herbert Cully – Word Day Resolution – times for Jan./Feb./March for this year – roughly 62 – 64 hours a month –for his work hours – Resolution to establish the standard work days and submit to New York State. Town Clerk will certify and send to New York State

Councilman Woodland introduced the following Resolution for adoption and seconded by Councilman Messa.

(RESOLUTION NO. 129 OF 2021)

RESOLVED, the Town of New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve the standard work days and submit to New York State for Town Attorney Herbert Cully.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Lenart	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Woodland	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolution was unanimously carried and duly *ADOPTED*.

Town Attorney Herbert Cully – the Resolution Reform Agreement – the Town Board executes this Police Reform Reinvention Collaborative Plan – all Board Members signed it and it will be submitted.

Councilman Woodland – has been talking to some software vendors and may have a presentation soon.

Supervisor Paul A. Miscione – our insurance premiums – look at the end of each year when we are ready for open enrollment – save on premiums. Barb – right about budget time – we will go over different options.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Town Board, upon motion of Councilman Messa and second by Councilman Reynolds, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15PM

(RESOLUTION NO. 130 OF 2021)

RESOLVED that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby accept and approve as submitted the approval to adjourn

Upon roll call, the Board members voted as follows:

Councilman Lenart	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Woodland	-	Aye
Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye.

The Resolution was declared unanimously carried and duly *ADOPTED*

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Jassak-Huther
Acting Town Clerk

