

SPECIAL SALEM TOWN BOARD MEETING MONDAY-MAY 02, 2022

Present: Supervisor Evera Sue Clary; Town Council: Marcus Blanck; Howard Law; Laura Dunham; Brenda Levey
Town Clerk-Pat Gilchrist; Clerk to Supervisor-Kathy Chambers

Others Present: Maurice Patrick-Planning Bd.; Kim Erbe-Library/Planning Bd.; Rebecca Brown-Water Clerk;
Library; Jeanne Smith-Georgi

Public Present: Laura Oswald-Wash. Co. Tourism/Economic Development; Attorney David Klingbiel

5:00 P.M.-Supervisor Clary called the meeting to order, followed by Pledge of Allegiance. She then introduced **Laura Oswald**, who explained that the Town has an economic development opportunity if things progress as expected. There is currently another lumber company interested in purchasing the Stowell Lumber Company property of 5.72 acres, tax map # 216.-1-22.3, located on NYS Route 22. This same business would also like to purchase the Town of Salem property adjacent to this piece by the railroad tracks (the parcel is currently land-locked or would appear to be), but is also part of the bigger piece owned by the Town of 50.02 acres, tax map #216.-1-23. The T/O/S is not currently using the area but only has this year left in the current gravel bed they are using & would need to move to this location to make gravel for the Town. The piece would have to be subdivided off the whole parcel, surveyed for a description, & a mylar map filed in the Washington County Clerk's Office. How much money are we talking for the Town? Is there any other location that the Town could use to make gravel for future use? Councilman Law explained that he had talked to Travis Keys, Highway Sup't., just before he came to the meeting (Travis had a prior commitment); he explained that access was given through lands of Peckham to this piece as the Town helps them out when they can.

The Board agreed that more information was needed before this could be considered; Laura Oswald will get back to party interested, give them this information, & have them contact Supervisor Clary. Input will also be needed from Travis Keys regarding this piece & how much he thinks it would cost the T/O/S if they don't have this piece to utilize for gravel in the future. Possibility of selling only part of this piece could also be a consideration. The Board thanked Ms. Oswald for bringing this to the attention of the T/O/S.

NEW BUSINESS

Attorney David Klingbiel-explained that he could charge an hourly rate or a flat fee, billing quarterly, with a detailed statement, for his services. However, as he had explained prior, the 2nd Wednesday of the month is not a good one for him as he has a prior commitment. He would bill only for straight time for attending any meetings, with a separate billing statement on issues not normally related to normal Town business. Insurance issues were discussed; his suggestion was to raise the amount from \$1million to \$2 million/event, with \$3 million aggregate. The am't. was just raised from \$500,000 to \$1 million. See how that goes for a year before raising again.

Resolution #46-Motion made by Councilman Howard Law, seconded by Councilwoman Laura Dunham, to go with a flat rate with a billing statement; passed unanimously 5-0.

Jeanne Smith asked if volunteers were covered at the Georgi since they were not on the payroll or employees of the T/O/S. She had rec'd. a request from the Becker family, who previously donated a bench for the grounds @ the Georgi in memory of their daughter; they would like to add a cement tile area under the bench. Board members responded that the has no issues w/this as long as the volunteers would be covered if anyone was to get hurt while doing the work. Supervisor Clary reported that she had discussed this w/Melissa Davidson, representative from our insurance carrier, Northern Insuring & she said they would be covered.

Attorney Klingbiel suggested separate Town contracts with Lunch, Learn N Play, Salem Youth Sports, Boy Scouts, etc., or any other organization that the Town might be working with.

Agreement w/Salem Central School re Transportation for L, L & P Programs-An Agreement was provided between the Board of Education of the Salem School District & the Town of Salem for the use of one large and/or one small school bus for transporting Town resident youth to the swim program (if one is to be held, usually @ Lake Lauderdale, & managed by the Village of Cambridge) & for field trips associated w/L, L & P program. The Town must secure a driver, pay \$2.85/mile for bus rental, inclusive of driver, fuel & maintenance. If the driver were to volunteer their time, the cost would be reduced to \$.90/mile. The cost of repairs and/or damage (not covered by insurance), directly related to the use of said bus (or buses) would be the responsibility of the Town. The Town would also be responsible for any & all damage, repairs, and/or replacements which are directly related to its use of the district's buses, whether such damage, repair or replacement was caused by accident, negligence or intentional acts. The Town would also maintain liability insurance & name the School District as an addition insured. The Town only contributed to the cost of the swim program in the past, w/L, L, & P paying for the cost of the bus (buses)--not any other field trips taken by L, L, & P. *It was a unanimous decision by the Board not to sign this Agreement.

Mark Rhodes-Saratoga Networks, LLC-Domain Registration-Supervisor Clary forwarded Mark's email to all Board members, Town Clerk, Highway Sup't. & Teri McNall, Washington County IT Dep't.

In order to apply for a .gov domain name, Mark advised that Supervisor Clary must complete an authorization letter based on the template that he emailed to her. He recommends TownofSalem.gov. He also advised that he had a meeting w/" Lift Off", one of the few organizations that can license small gov't. entities for Office 365 managed services. He has pricing & will try to get that off the Supervisor next week; he wants to get the domain registered first & will then try & secure a host (such as Go-Daddy). Supervisor Clary is working on the authorization letter.

Resolution #47-Clerk to Supervisor Chambers reported that another Resolution needed to be done & re-posted for the required thirty (30) re retirement for: Supervisor Evera Sue Clary, Town Clerk Patricia A. Gilchrist; Highway Sup't. Travis Keys, Town Councilwoman Brenda Levey, & Assessor Jean McLenithan. This said Resolution #47 will replace prior Resolution #23 from January 12, 2022, meeting & Resolution #33 from February 23, 2022, meeting (for Assessor Jean McLenithan only as NYS did not include her in the first listing as they should have!) Clerk Gilchrist will so note at end of these two sets of minutes as required.

Motion made by Councilman Howard Law, seconded by Councilman Marcus Blanck, to post new Resolution #47 for all employees listed above for the required thirty-day period; passed unanimously 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Community Service Day w/Salem School-will be held on May 19, 2022, for grades 7-12, performing volunteer work for residents and/or projects that the T/O/S might have for them to do. A Certificate of Insurance will be required.

Bancroft Public Library-Proudfit Hall Rental-Usage Agreement-Copies were given to all Board members to review; Attorney Klingbiel will also be reviewing the same with any suggestions or changes that he thinks should be made to the same.

Motion to Adjourn-**Motion made by** Councilman Howard Law, seconded by Councilman Marcus Blanck, to adjourn the special meeting of the Salem Town Board; passed unanimously 5-0; meeting was adjourned @ 5:56 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Patricia A. Gilchrist-Town Clerk-Town of Salem

Corrected @ May 11, 2022 Monthly Meeting of the Salem Town Board:

*It was the unanimous decision by the Board not to sign this Agreement. Should now read:
It was the unanimous decision by the Board not to sign this Agreement as it is strictly between L, L, & P and Salem Central School; it has nothing to do with the Town of Salem per Town Attorney, David Klingbiel.

Motion to Adjourn-Motion made by Councilwoman Laura Dunham, seconded by Councilman Marcus Blanck, to adjourn the special meeting of the Salem Town Board; passed unanimously 5-0; meeting adjourn

ed at 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Patricia A. Gilchrist-Town Clerk
Town of Salem