

TOWN OF BINGHAMTON
TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION
July 7, 2020

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MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION OF THE TOWN OF BINGHAMTON TOWN BOARD HELD ON TUESDAY, JULY 7, 2020, 5:30 P.M., TOWN OF BINGHAMTON TOWN HALL, 279 PARK AVENUE, BINGHAMTON, NEW YORK.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Rounds at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

E. Rounds, Supervisor	Present	M. Leighton, Councilperson	Absent
V. Xlander, Deputy Supervisor	Present	M. Bensley, Councilperson	Present
D. Nye, Councilperson	Present		

OTHERS PRESENT:

V. Conklin, Town Clerk	M. Donahue, Highway Superintendent
R. Pope, Deputy Town Attorney	1 Guest
N. Pappas, Code Enforcement Officer/Buildings & Grounds	

**PUBLIC HEARING – 5:31 p.m. – 658 Park Ave., Binghamton, NY (192.03-2-9) –
Declaration of Unsafe and Dangerous Building**

Town Clerk Conklin confirmed that the Notice of Public Hearing had been properly posted and published. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to consider input on the Town of Binghamton proposed declaration that the building at 658 Park Ave., Binghamton, New York (192.03-2-9) is unsafe and dangerous. Deputy Town Attorney Pope stated that 658 Park Ave., Binghamton, New York has been requested by Code Enforcement Officer Pappas to be declared a dangerous and unsafe building due to its current condition. Code Enforcement Officer Pappas stated: On March 4, 2020, there was an electrical fire at 658 Park Ave., Binghamton, New York, which went through three-quarters of the house. After investigation with the Fire Marshall, it was established that the cause of the fire was an electrical extension cord. Mr. Pappas further stated that he was at the scene of the fire for pretty much most of the process. The property is boarded up and secured. He sent Orders of Remedy by regular and certified mail to Mr. Robert L. Blakeslee, III on May 28, 2020, and correspondence on June 3, 2020 to a Grand Rapids, Michigan address, with no response. Mr. Blakeslee was finally located at Jane's Diner. He went to Jane's Diner, and found out that Mr. Blakeslee lives on Louisa Street. He served the Order of Remedy on Mr. Blakeslee at 100 Louisa Street, Apartment 1, Binghamton, New York by hand-delivery on June 12, 2020. Mr. Pappas' opinion is that the building is not rebuildable as the building is old with a lot of additions. Additionally, the septic is backed up in the backyard with sewage in the backyard. The power pole has fallen down on the roof of the house. Deputy Town Attorney Pope provided pictures for identification. Mr. Pappas took the pictures of Exhibits A thru E at the beginning of June, and Exhibits F and G on July 7, 2020. He then identified Exhibit A as the front of the house, with the garage to the left. He had put an X on the house, which was removed, so he put an X on the house again. Exhibit B was identified as the back of the house, stating that where the tall, dead grass and weeds are shown is where the septic is backed up in the backyard. Exhibit B also shows the contents from the inside of the house which were thrown outside by the Fire Company. He identified Exhibit C as the side of the

house, which shows a power pole sort of standing. The pole is now lying down on the roof of the house (north side of the house). He identified Exhibit D as junk in the side yard on the north side. He identified Exhibit E as the pond in the backyard with two bunches of cloth in the pond. The two bunches of cloth are dogs that were killed in the fire, wrapped up in sheets, and thrown in the pond. He identified Exhibit F as the front of the house looking from Park Avenue. He identified Exhibit G as the north side of the house with the pole on the roof. The picture shows no remediation has been attempted. He took pictures in March and at the beginning of June. Mr. Blakeslee was to respond to the Order of Remedy within thirty (30) days from June 12, 2020. Supervisor Rounds stated that she has contacted Mr. Blakeslee's insurance company, who informed her that they had paid Mr. Blakeslee for his claim, which included having the property demolished, which Mr. Blakeslee has not done. A motion was made by Councilperson Bensley to adopt a Resolution approving the Town of Binghamton Town Board to declare 658 Park Avenue, Binghamton, New York (192.03-2-9), an unsafe and dangerous building, and the motion was duly seconded by Councilperson Nye. There was some discussion. A motion was made to adopt a Resolution to amend said motion to reflect that the Town of Binghamton Town Board declare 658 Park Avenue, New York (192.03-2-9), an unsafe and dangerous building, and that the owner will have 15 days to clean up the outside of the property, and 30 days to demolish the building, and the motion was duly seconded by Councilperson Nye. All those present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

Ayes: Rounds, Xlander, Bensley, Nye

Absent: Leighton

Nays: None

Declared adopted.

(Resolution Appended)
(Public Hearing Notices Appended)

Supervisor Rounds made the following statement: A motion may be made to go into an executive session to discuss a legal matter and/or a personnel matter regarding a particular employee after the meeting is convened.

APPROVAL OF AUDITED CLAIMS:

Councilperson Nye made the motion to adopt a Resolution to approve the following claims as audited:

<u>2020</u>			
Lighting	Claim No. 479	\$	580.84
Sewer	Claim No. 480	\$	940.00
Water	Claim No. 481-485	\$	1,059.31
General	Claim No. 486-510, 525-526	\$	12,973.45
Highway	Claim No. 511-524	\$	41,704.54

The motion was duly seconded by Councilperson Bensley. All those present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

Ayes: Rounds, Xlander, Bensley, Nye

Absent: Leighton

Nays: None

Declared adopted.

(Resolution Appended)

RECOGNITION OF MINUTES:

There were no changes/corrections made to the June 16, 2020 regular Town Board meeting minutes.

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

TOB Volunteer Fire Co. – Annual Chicken BBQ – Saturday, August 15, 2020 – 12:00 p.m. Until Gone

OFFICIALS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Planning Board – The next regularly scheduled meeting will be a joint meeting with the ZBA to be held on Monday, July 13, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at the TOB Town Hall. Town Attorney Pope will be making a presentation.

Zoning Board of Appeals – The next regularly scheduled meeting will be a joint meeting with the Planning Board to be held on Monday, July 13, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at the TOB Town Hall. Town Attorney Pope will be making a presentation.

Youth Commission – The little league season started today. The season will run three to four weeks with a couple of games a week. The girls' softball will be starting. There may be tee ball clinics. The COVID guidelines will be followed such as not sharing equipment, hand sanitizers in the dugouts; six feet social distancing, a contact tracing list, and coaches will be wearing masks. No masks are required on the field. The COVID guidelines will be posted at the park. The DWI tournament has been cancelled.

Code Enforcement/Building & Grounds – Mr. Pappas has been sending letters to residents asking them to clean up their properties. He will be sending out four more Orders of Remedy tomorrow. Mowing has been taking place, and the parks are now open. Dying ash trees in the park have been cut down.

Highway Department – Paving projects include Laurie Brook Lane and Gillespie Road. Oiling and stoning will begin tomorrow. A new water sensor for water readings is needed at the park as the sensor is not reading correctly. The cost of a new water sensor will be approximately \$800. The life expectancy of a water sensor is five years. The first round of mowing has been completed. NYSEG will be finishing gas services on Dogwood Drive and St. Clair. The Highway Garage roof needs to be replaced.

Supervisor Rounds stated that the Town received another notice from Broome County regarding the sales tax revenue, and what they are anticipating. Broome County anticipated a 12% decrease. The figures came in for the first two weeks of June, and it looks like there will be a 9% decrease. Bookkeeper Reifler will be closing out the month of June by the end of the week, balance everything, and by the next Board meeting Supervisor Rounds will have an idea of where the Town stands. Supervisor Rounds is anticipating a decrease of approximately \$200,000 in the next sales tax revenue check. Some projects have been put on hold.

There was discussion concerning the Partridge Lane project, and trees on private property that are ready to collapse into the creek.

TOB Volunteer Fire Co. – There was no report.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

This was covered under Officials and Committee Reports.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Water/Sewer Rates - Update – The Joint Sewage Treatment Plant charges the Town \$101,676 four times a year for a total of \$406,704. The Town charges residents four times per year. The total for the last four quarters is \$352,141.78. There is a shortfall in the Sewer Department of \$54,562.22, which stems from the current rate. The Town will know in the next month or so if there will be an increase in the bill from the Joint Sewage Treatment Plant for 2021. Currently the Town's sewage rate is \$8.63 per unit (1,000 gallons). The Town's debt service fee is \$51,998 per quarter from the Joint Sewage Treatment Plant. Supervisor Rounds is proposing a flat fee of \$36 to every customer (896 residents), to cover the debt service portion. There are 37 households in the TOB considered outside users, and not metered. Those users are charged by the number of bedrooms in their house. The proposed quarterly rate for those users will be going up approximately \$500 per quarter. The first course of action is to get those 37 outside users a meter. It will cost the Town approximately \$13,000 to have all of those households metered. The Town will give those households a meter, but the resident is responsible for the hookup of the meter. The total water/sewer metered customers will be 896. Supervisor Rounds is proposing to have a line item that says the residents' debt service fee is \$36 per household on the water/sewer bills, which is considered a utility service fee. The utility service fee will total \$32,340, which will pay for part of the \$101,676 bill from the Joint Sewage Treatment Plant. Because of that, the sewer rate will go down to \$7.40. Supervisor Rounds anticipates that for 2021 the quarterly bill from the Joint Sewage Treatment Plant will increase to \$106,215. Minus \$32,340 from \$106,215, the remaining balance is \$73,875. The average units are approximately 10,000 units, so to pay the difference, residents will be paying \$7.40 per 1,000 units. If this proposal is not approved, then the Town will have to raise the sewer bill from \$8.63 to \$12.00 per unit. There will be an Informational Meeting on July 30, 2020 for the 37 outside users. The first session will be held from 6:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. The second session will be held from 7:00 p.m. to 7:45. The 37 outside users will receive a letter inviting them to attend a session. The Town has a shortfall of \$12,362.18 on the water bills. Currently residents are being charged

\$5.82 per unit (1,000 gallons). The proposed new water rate would be \$6.50 per unit. This will cover the shortfall, and any increase from the Joint Sewage Treatment Plant. There was some discussion. A copy of the Worksheet – Rough Draft is appended. A motion was made by Councilperson Bensley to adopt a Resolution to approve the purchase of up to 37 meters at the cost of \$350 per meter to be given to the 37 outside users, and the motion was duly seconded by Councilperson Xlander. All those present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

Ayes: Rounds, Xlander, Bensley, Nye

Absent: Leighton

Nays: None

Declared adopted.

(Resolution Appended)
(Worksheet – Rough Draft – Appended)

TOB Community Center – TOB Community Center Coordinator Position – This subject has been put on hold.

Dog Enumeration - Update – A dog enumeration postcard mailing to residents may be put in the 2021 budget.

There was no further unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS:

CDBG – Applicant Approval Requests – McRae & Noble – Resident Sasha Noble has been prequalified for the CDBG funds for windows and doors, electric, exterior carpentry, and masonry for property located at 2011 Rexford Street, Binghamton, New York in the amount of \$32,050. A motion was made by Councilperson Bensley to adopt a Resolution to approve the allocation of funds for the Noble property located at 2011 Rexford Street, Binghamton, New York in the amount of \$32,050, and the motion was duly seconded by Councilperson Xlander. All those present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

Ayes: Rounds, Xlander, Bensley, Nye

Absent: Leighton

Nays: None

Declared adopted.

(Resolution Appended)

Resident Lynne McRae has been prequalified for the CDBG funds for masonry, siding, windows and doors, roofing, and interior carpentry for property located at 3493 Margery Street,

Binghamton, New York in the amount of \$32,200. A motion was made by Councilperson Bensley to adopt a Resolution to approve the allocation of funds for the McRae property located at 3493 Margery Street, Binghamton, New York in the amount of \$32,200, and the motion was duly seconded by Councilperson Xlander. All those present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

Ayes: Rounds, Xlander, Bensley, Nye

Absent: Leighton

Nays: None

Declared adopted.

(Resolution Appended)

Highway Department – Partridge Lane – Storm Drain – Highway Superintendent Donahue gave the following update: Partridge Lane needs a new storm drain. Sixty percent of the City of Binghamton's water enters the storm drain, goes through the storm drain system on Dogwood and exits on Partridge. On Partridge in question is the 36" storm drain, which was probably installed around 1957. It has outlived its life use. The problem is if you start on one side on the street on Dogwood and go up Partridge, it is roughly about eight foot at the intersection of Dogwood to about 20' deep where it exits out into the creek. Basically, they put the pipe so that the grade of the road is about 20' deep. The people that are doing our sanitary lining took a look at it. They went through and they camera-ed the whole thing. There is 387' of storm drain that has deteriorated beyond repair. Highway Superintendent Donahue further stated that he received an e-mail from them today saying that they are taking a look at it, and they will get us a unit price by some time this week. The worse-case scenario is the funding of the cost. There is approximately \$147,000 in the reserve fund for repairs like this. If the Town has to dig the storm drain, the cost will be approximately \$250,000. There was discussion about the City being partially liable for the cost.

Wind Energy - Moratorium – A motion was made by Councilperson Nye to adopt a Resolution to approve a motion to set a public hearing for Tuesday, August 4, 2020 at 5:31 p.m. to set a 12-month moratorium on wind energy, and the motion was duly seconded by Councilperson Xlander. All those present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

Ayes: Rounds, Xlander, Bensley, Nye

Absent: Leighton

Nays: None

Declared adopted.

(Resolution Appended)

There was no further new business.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Councilperson Bensley to go into Executive Session at 6:56 p.m. to discuss a personnel matter and legal matter, and the motion was duly seconded by Councilperson Nye. All those present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

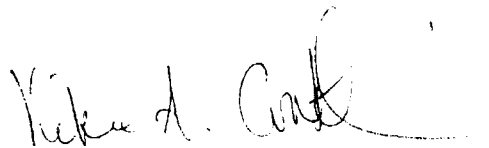
A motion was made by Councilperson Nye to reconvene at 8:03 p.m., and the motion was duly seconded by Councilperson Xlander. All those present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Councilperson Nye to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m., and the motion was duly seconded by Councilperson Xlander. All those present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

The next meeting of the Town of Binghamton Town Board will be a regular Town Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on July 21, 2020, at the Town Hall, 279 Park Avenue, Binghamton, NY.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Vickie A. Conklin". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Vickie A. Conklin
Town Clerk

RESOLUTION

At a Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Binghamton, Broome County, New York, duly called and held at the Town Hall, 279 Park Avenue, Binghamton, New York, on the 7th day of July, 2020 at 5:30 o'clock P.M. of said day, the following were:

PRESENT: Supervisor Elizabeth Rounds
Councilperson Victoria L. Xlander
Councilperson Dean Nye
Councilperson Michael Bensley

ABSENT: Councilperson Mark Leighton

The Resolution set forth below was duly offered by Councilperson Bensley, who moved its adoption, and was seconded by Councilperson Nye.

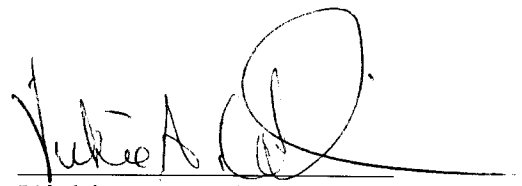
A roll call vote was then taken upon the Motion for the adoption of said Resolution, which resulted as follows:

AYES: Rounds, Xlander, Nye, Bensley

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Leighton

The Resolution was then declared adopted.



Vickie A. Conklin,
Town Clerk

RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS, the Town Board has before it a recommendation by the Code Enforcement Officer to deem and determine that the structure and property at 658 Park Avenue, Binghamton, New York 13903 (192.03-2-9) is unsafe and dangerous; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board was required to conduct a public hearing with respect to said issues concerning said property which public hearing was duly conducted on July 7, 2020 at 5:31 p.m.;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that following the evidence presented to the Town Board at said public hearing all of which was entered as a matter of record, and the owner of said property not appearing, the Town Board hereby deems and determines that the property at 658 Park Avenue, Binghamton, New York 13903 (192.03-2-9) is unsafe and dangerous, and that the owner is and shall be given written notice by a copy of this resolution to clean up and remove all debris, garbage and junk on the exterior and interior of the premises within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this written notice and to renovate, repair and otherwise bring the premises into compliance with the building code and/or demolish and safely remove said unsafe structure and to otherwise make the property safe within thirty (30) days of receipt of this written notice of same by owner at his/her/its last known address; and be it further

RESOLVED, that should the owner fail to clean up and remove all debris, garbage and junk on the exterior and interior of the premises with fifteen (15) days of receipt of this written notice or should the owner fail to renovate, repair and otherwise bring the premises into compliance with the building code and/or demolish and completely remove said unsafe structure and to otherwise make the property safe within thirty (30) days of receipt of this written notice of same to owner, the Town of Binghamton may exercise the right to perform such work and the Town of Binghamton shall place a lien on the property for the full costs and expenses of performing such work, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor, Code Enforcement Officer, Town Attorney and other Town Offices are authorized to take such additional and further action as is necessary to implement this Resolution.

**STATE OF NEW YORK
SUPREME COURT: COUNTY OF BROOME**

In the Matter of an Unsafe Building by

**The Town of Binghamton, County of Broome
through the Code Enforcement Officer, and/or
Town Engineer and/or their designees,**

ORDER AND NOTICE

Petitioner,

Index No.:

-against-

Robert L. Blakeslee,

Respondent.

Tax Map No. 192.03-2-9

TO: Robert L. Blakeslee - Property Owner
658 Park Avenue
Binghamton, NY 13903

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Hearing was conducted at the Town of Binghamton before the Town Board on July 7, 2020 at 5:31pm, wherein testimony and proof was presented and/or reported to the Town Board of the Town of Binghamton to the effect that the property at 658 Park Avenue, Binghamton, New York is unsafe and dangerous to the public.

The Town of Binghamton, after consideration of, and deliberation on, said testimony and proof presented at the public hearing, and pursuant to the provisions of its Local Law Chapter 106, by resolution duly adopted at its Board Meeting on July 7, 2020, the Town Board determined that said premises and building is unsafe and dangerous, and that the following remedial actions be taken within the respective time periods:

1. Property Owner is to secure the premises immediately, to allow no access to the property other than the Property Owner.
2. Property Owner is to remove all debris, garbage, junk and other materials on the exterior and interior of the premises within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this Order and Notice.
3. Property Owner is to renovate, repair and otherwise bring the premises into compliance with the building code and/or demolish and safely remove said unsafe structure and to otherwise make the property safe within thirty (30) days of receipt of this Order and Notice.
4. Provided the Premises is secure, the Town will not be obligated to demolish the building although the Town may exercise the right to do so at any time on or after thirty (30) days from Property Owner's receipt of this Order and Notice.
5. All costs or expenses with respect to this proceeding shall be filed as a lien against the property.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, in the event of any neglect or refusal by the Property Owner, or his/its/their assigns, to comply with the various above directives and timeframes of this Order of the Town Board of the Town of Binghamton, the Town of Binghamton is hereby authorized to take all necessary actions to provide for the securing of said premises, the remediation and cleanup of the exterior and interior of the premises, including the demolition and removal of the structures thereon, if required or more economical, and to assess all expenses thereof against the premises and against Property Owners, and to collect all costs of the remedial work, including demolition, and other costs and expenses as provided for in Chapter 106.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN OF BINGHAMTON.

Dated: July 7, 2020

TOWN OF BINGHAMTON

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Elizabeth Rounds", written over a horizontal line.

Elizabeth Rounds, Supervisor

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
TOWN OF BINGHAMTON**

Pursuant to an Emergency Order of the Governor of the State of New York, notice is hereby given that a public hearing of the Town of Binghamton will be held on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 5:31 p.m. via Zoom Video Conference, to consider input on the Town of Binghamton proposed declaration that the building(s) at 658 Park Ave, Binghamton, New York 13903 (192.03-2-9) is unsafe and dangerous.

Members of the public are temporarily prohibited from attending in person but may observe/listen remotely using the information below:

Meeting Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89318659292?pwd=UUhRVFRVemk3T3QzUm0wb0FTZHNIzZ09>

Meeting ID: 893 1865 9292

Password: 929997

Dial in phone number: +1 646 558 8656

Please take further notice that the information which is the subject matter of the public hearing is available for inspection at the Town Hall in the Town Clerk's office Monday through Friday 9:00 A.M. through 4:00 P.M., or upon request can be provided electronically. Persons wishing to participate in the hearing may do so via Zoom or telephone, or communications in writing regarding said application may be filed with the Town Clerk's office prior to said hearing. Individuals with special needs requiring accommodations may contact the Town Clerk's Office at 607-772-0357 at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled public hearing. In the event that the Town Hall is fully open and able to accommodate all members of the public as of July 7, 2020, the Town reserves the right to discontinue the use of Zoom for said meeting. The Public is hereby advised to check the Town of Binghamton website for updates regarding this change prior to any scheduled meeting.

Dated: June 11, 2020

Vickie A. Conklin, Town Clerk

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF BINGHAMTON

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Town Board of the Town of Binghamton, Broome County, New York has approved a resolution calling for a public hearing to consider input on the Town of Binghamton proposed declaration that the building(s) at 658 Park Ave, Binghamton, New York 13903 (192.03-2-9) is unsafe and dangerous, which said public hearing will be at the Town Hall, 279 Park Avenue, Binghamton, New York on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 5:31 P.M., at which time all persons interested in the subject matter thereof will be heard. The purpose of the public hearing shall be to receive public input on this issue and to evaluate and consider adoption of the foregoing.

Please take further notice that the information which is the subject matter of the public hearing is available for inspection at the Town Hall in the Town Clerk's office Monday through Friday 9:00 A.M. through 4:00 P.M., or upon request can be provided electronically.

Dated: June 3, 2020

Vickie A. Conklin, Town Clerk















BY ORDER OF THE TOWN OF BINGHAMTON

Tax Parcel Number:

**Town of Binghamton
Broome County, New York**

WHEREAS, violations of Chapter/Section 106-41 of the Town Code and the State of New York Building Code have been found on these premises, it is hereby ordered that this building is

NOT TO BE OCCUPIED

by any person. This building is unsafe to the public. It is also hereby ordered that all persons vacate, cease and desist from occupancy and use of these premises located at

658 PARK AVE

Town of Binghamton, New York

All persons acting contrary to this order, or removing or mutilating this notice, are liable to legal actions. Contact Town of Binghamton Code Enforcement at 772-0357, ext. 12 if anyone is seen violating this order.

Trespassers will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

If this property becomes available due to tax foreclosure, you are advised to contact Town of Binghamton Code Enforcement as there may be strict stipulations attached to any purchase.

3-4-2020
Date

Mark R. [Signature]
Code Enforcement Officer

RESOLUTION

At a regularly scheduled Work Session of the Town Board of the Town of Binghamton, Broome County, New York, duly called and held at the Town Hall, 279 Park Avenue, Binghamton, New York, on the 7th day of July, 2020 at 5:30 o'clock P.M. of said day, the following were:

PRESENT: Supervisor Elizabeth Rounds
Councilperson Victoria L. Xlander
Councilperson Michael Bensley
Councilperson Dean Nye

ABSENT: Councilperson Mark Leighton

The Resolution set forth below was duly offered by Councilperson Nye, who moved its adoption, and was seconded by Councilperson Bensley.

A roll call vote was then taken upon the Motion for the adoption of said Resolution, which resulted as follows:

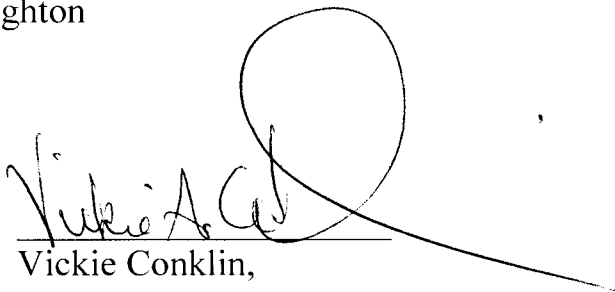
AYES: Supervisor Elizabeth Rounds
Councilperson Victoria L. Xlander
Councilperson Michael Bensley
Councilperson Dean Nye

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Councilperson Mark Leighton

The Resolution was then declared adopted.

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Vickie Conklin,
Town Clerk

RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS, by motion Councilperson Xlander has recommended that the Town Board approve claim numbers 479; 480; 481-485; 486-510, 525-526; and 511-524; as audited, and

WHEREAS, the specific audited claims are as set forth in the attachment.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that claim numbers 479; 480; 481-485; 486-510, 525-526; and 511-524 as audited are hereby adopted and approved; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor and such other Town officials are authorized to take such additional and further action as is necessary to implement this Resolution.

RESOLUTION

At a Work Session of the Town Board of the Town of Binghamton, Broome County, New York, duly called and held at the Town Hall, 279 Park Avenue, Binghamton, New York, on the 7th day of July, 2020 at 5:30 o'clock P.M. of said day, the following were:

PRESENT: Supervisor Elizabeth Rounds
Councilperson Victoria L. Xlander
Councilperson Dean Nye
Councilperson Michael Bensley

ABSENT: Councilperson Mark Leighton

The Resolution set forth below was duly offered by Councilperson Bensley, who moved its adoption, and was seconded by Councilperson Xlander.

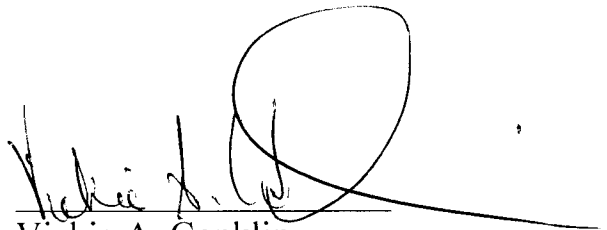
A roll call vote was then taken upon the Motion for the adoption of said Resolution, which resulted as follows:

AYES: Rounds, Xlander, Nye, Bensley

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Bensley

The Resolution was then declared adopted.



Vickie A. Conklin,
Town Clerk

RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS, the Town Board has before it for approval a request to purchase up to 37 meters at the cost of \$350 per meter to be given to 37 households in the Town that are not currently metered and considered outside users; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board proposes to hold an informational meeting for the 37 outside users to take place on July 30, 2020 at the community center with two sessions being held from 6:00-6:45 pm and 7:00 to 7:45 pm.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, the Town Board approves the purchase up to 37 meters at the cost of \$350 per meter to be given to 37 households in the Town that are not currently metered and considered outside users; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Town Board will hold an informational meeting for the 37 outside users to take place on July 30, 2020 at the community center with two sessions being held from 6:00-6:45 pm and 7:00 to 7:45 pm.

RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor and such other Town employees or officials are authorized to take such additional and further action as is necessary to implement this Resolution.

WORKSHEET - ROUGH DRAFT

SEWER

Joint Sewage Board charges \$101,676 four times a year = \$406,704.00

The Town bills residents four times per year:

Aug. 2019	90,388.56
Nov. 2019	90,557.00
Feb. 2020	86,659.26
May 2020	<u>84,536.96</u>

Total billed to residents: \$352,141.78

Shortfall of: \$54,562.22

Current sewer rate is \$8.63 per unit (1,000 gallons)

Proposing: New \$35.00 flat fee to every customer (896 residents) to cover debt service portion
 Explanation: $896 \times \$36 = \$32,340$

Proposed 2021 bill from Joint Sewage Board:

\$106,215.00
- <u>\$32,340.00</u> (flat fee increase)
\$73,875.00 remaining

Using a new rate of \$7.40 x 10,000 units = \$74,000.00, we have a slight overage.

WATER

City of Binghamton bills us three times a year = \$211,227*
 *(5/2019 - \$68,565; 9/2019 - \$71,499; 1/2020 - \$71,163)

The Town bills residents four times a year:

Aug. 2019	51,214.78
Nov. 2019	51,494.28
Feb. 2020	48,701.23
May 2020	<u>47,454.53</u>

Total billed to residents: \$198,864.82

Shortfall of: \$ 12,362.18

Current water rate is \$5.82 per 1,000 gals; Proposed new water rate would be \$6.50 per 1,000 gals.

Total gallons: $34,258,352 \div 1,000 = 34,258 \times \$5.82 = \$199,381.00$

Using the new proposed rate of \$6.50 per unit (1,000 gallons):

$34,258 \times \$6.50 = \$222,677.00$

-211,227

Overage of \$11,450.00

37 outside users including Parkwood Subdivision x \$350 per meter = \$12,950.00

Informational Meeting Proposed to be held on July 30, 2020 at the Community Center at 7 p.m.

RESOLUTION

At a Work Session of the Town Board of the Town of Binghamton, Broome County, New York, duly called and held at the Town Hall, 279 Park Avenue, Binghamton, New York, on the 7th day of July, 2020 at 5:30 o'clock P.M. of said day, the following were:

PRESENT: Supervisor Elizabeth Rounds
Councilperson Victoria L. Xlander
Councilperson Dean Nye
Councilperson Michael Bensley

ABSENT: Councilperson Mark Leighton

The Resolution set forth below was duly offered by Councilperson Bensley, who moved its adoption, and was seconded by Councilperson Xlander.

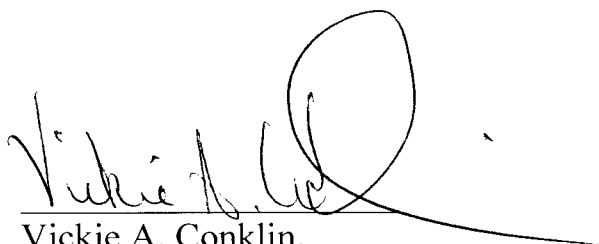
A roll call vote was then taken upon the Motion for the adoption of said Resolution, which resulted as follows:

AYES: Rounds, Xlander, Nye, Bensley

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Leighton

The Resolution was then declared adopted.


Vickie A. Conklin,
Town Clerk

RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS, the Town Board has before it for approval an application from Sasha Noble for \$32,050 in CDBG Funds for window, electric, exterior carpentry and masonry work to be done on property located at 2011 Rexford Street.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, the Town Board approves the application from Sasha Noble for \$32,050 in CDBG Funds for window, electric, exterior carpentry and masonry work to be done on property located at 2011 Rexford Street, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor and such other Town employees or officials are authorized to take such additional and further action as is necessary to implement this Resolution.

RESOLUTION

At a Work Session of the Town Board of the Town of Binghamton, Broome County, New York, duly called and held at the Town Hall, 279 Park Avenue, Binghamton, New York, on the 7th day of July, 2020 at 5:30 o'clock P.M. of said day, the following were:

PRESENT: Supervisor Elizabeth Rounds
Councilperson Victoria L. Xlander
Councilperson Dean Nye
Councilperson Michael Bensley

ABSENT: Councilperson Mark Leighton

The Resolution set forth below was duly offered by Councilperson Bensley, who moved its adoption, and was seconded by Councilperson Xlander.

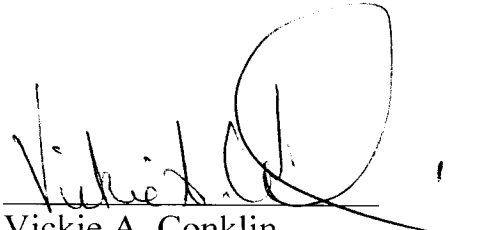
A roll call vote was then taken upon the Motion for the adoption of said Resolution, which resulted as follows:

AYES: Rounds, Xlander, Nye, Bensley

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Leighton

The Resolution was then declared adopted.


Vickie A. Conklin,
Town Clerk

RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS, the Town Board has before it for approval an application from Lynne McRae for \$32,200 in CDBG Funds for masonry, siding, windows and doors, roofing and interior carpentry to be done on property located at 2011 Rexford Street.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, the Town Board approves the application from Sasha Noble for \$32,050 in CDBG Funds for masonry, siding, windows and doors, roofing, and interior carpentry to be done on property located at 3493 Margery Street, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor and such other Town employees or officials are authorized to take such additional and further action as is necessary to implement this Resolution.

RESOLUTION

At a Work Session of the Town Board of the Town of Binghamton, Broome County New York, duly called and held at the Town Office Building, 279 Park Avenue, Binghamton, New York, on the 7th day of July, 2020 at 5:30 o'clock P.M. of said day, the following were:

PRESENT: Supervisor Elizabeth A. Rounds
 Councilperson Victoria L. Xlander
 Councilperson Michael Bensley
 Councilperson Dean Nye

ABSENT: Councilperson Mark Leighton

The Resolution set forth below was duly offered by Councilperson Nye who moved its adoption and was seconded by Councilperson Xlander.

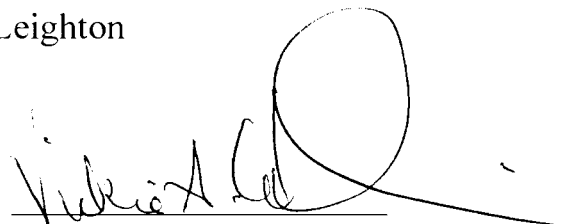
A vote was then taken upon the Motion for the adoption of said Resolution, which resulted as follows:

AYES: Supervisor Elizabeth A. Rounds
 Councilperson Victoria L. Xlander
 Councilperson Michael Bensley
 Councilperson Dean Nye

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Councilperson Mark A. Leighton

The Resolution was then declared adopted.



Vickie A. Conklin,
Town Clerk

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Town Board has before it a proposal to adopt a wind energy moratorium for a period of twelve (12) months to suspend, curtail and/or stop the processing of applications for, and the issuance of permits, certificates of occupancy and approvals for certain land uses relating to wind energy, including but not limited to wind energy farms, to allow the Town Board sufficient time for review, study, analysis and, if necessary, determine appropriate revisions and amendments to its Local Land Use Laws concerning such use; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board must first conduct a public hearing to receive public input on this issue and to evaluate and consider adoption of a twelve (12) month wind energy moratorium.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby calls for a public hearing to receive public input on this issue and to evaluate and consider adoption of a twelve (12) month wind energy moratorium to take place at Town Hall on August 4, 2020 at 5:31 pm; and

RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor and such other Town employees or officials are authorized to take such additional and further action as is necessary to implement this Resolution.