

**TOWN OF BINGHAMTON  
TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION  
September 6, 2022**

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**MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION OF THE TOWN OF BINGHAMTON TOWN BOARD HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2022, 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 5:31 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

E. Rounds, Supervisor	Present	M. Leighton, Councilperson	Present
M. Donahue, Deputy Supervisor	Present	M. Bensley, Councilperson	Present
D. Nye, Councilperson	Present		

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

V. Conklin, Town Clerk	R. Mastin, Planning Board Member
R. Pope, Deputy Town Attorney	T. Cooper, ZBA Alternate Member
R. Rolston, Highway Superintendent	0 Guests
N. Pappas, Code Enforcement Officer/Buildings & Grounds	

**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 Bensley made the motion to adopt a Resolution to approve the following claims as audited:

<u>2022</u>		
Lighting	Claim No. 676	\$ 643.59
Water	Claim No. 677-681	\$ 1,458.39
Highway	Claim No. 682-697	\$ 9,285.81
General	Claim No. 698-724	\$ 11,527.53

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

Ayes: Rounds, Donahue, Nye, Bensley, Leighton

Absent: None

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Declared adopted.

(Resolution Appended)

## **RECOGNITION OF MINUTES:**

There were no changes/corrections made to the August 16, 2022 regular Town Board meeting minutes.

## **COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

TOB Municipal Clean Up Days – Friday, September 16, 2022 – 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. & Saturday, September 17, 2022 – 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. – Electronics Drop Off – Saturday, September 17, 2022 – 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

## **OFFICIALS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Planning Board – A meeting was held on August 31, 2022 with Atlas Renewables. The next scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 12, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at the TOB Town Hall. There may be a special meeting before the October 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Zoning Board of Appeals – The next scheduled meeting will be held on Monday, September 12, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at the TOB Town Hall, where two cases will be heard.

Youth Commission – Football and cheer are in its third week. The Booster Club is doing very well as it has many new volunteers. Basketball starts next month. Councilperson Bensley reported that he was approached by a small group of residents who would like to start a lacrosse program for kids. They will be speaking with Director of Youth Activities Chris Streno.

Code Enforcement/Buildings & Grounds – The Town Hall parking lot paving job is next on the list, but there is not a specific start date. 14 Holmes Place has been torn down.

Highway Department – The Highway Department has been working on ditching, shoulder work, and finishing up patching. The paving on E. Hamton, Stone and Moore has been finished. The Orchard Park Water Tank project should be finished November of this year.

TOB Volunteer Fire Co. – There was no report.

Supervisor – The Hawleyton United Methodist Church is having a Chicken BBQ on September 17, 2022.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Cannabis Industry – Zoning Regulations – The Board members reviewed the proposed local law for Cannabis distribution and consumption sites, which will be approved at the next Board meeting. There was discussion.

Cargo/Freight Containers – Set Public Hearing – A public hearing needs to be set for this subject. A motion was made by Councilperson Donahue to adopt a Resolution to set a public hearing for Tuesday, October 4, 2022 at 5:31 p.m. to consider public input on the proposed

changes to the Town of Binghamton Schedule of Zoning of Regulations in R1 Residential One-Family Districts, and Section 240-6, Definitions of Building Accessory Units, and the motion was duly seconded by Councilperson Nye. There was discussion. All those present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

Ayes: Rounds, Donahue, Nye, Bensley, Leighton

Absent: None

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Declared adopted.

(Resolution Appended)

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

ZBA – Appointment of Meggan Olds – Member/ZBA Processor/Secretary & Kevin Olds, Member – A motion was made by Councilperson Donahue to appoint Meggan Olds as a ZBA Member and ZBA Processor/Secretary, and Kevin Olds as a ZBA Member for a five-year term, and the motion was duly seconded by Councilperson Nye. All those present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

Aqua Terra – Update – Supervisor Rounds and Code Enforcement Officer Pappas met with Liz White, from Broome County, and expressed the concerns that Missy Chapman had relayed from the people who live on Maxian Road about Aqua Terra, and how they like it the way it is, and the fact that why is the Town going to put some money into it. Broome County has between \$25,000 and \$30,000 to make some small improvements to Aqua Terra, such as signage. The Tri-City Hiking Club has mapped out and provided to Liz White a digital file of the hiking trails, so as to maybe have an information board similar to the one at Jones Park in Vestal. The Town will not be contributing money, but may enter into an intermunicipal agreement with Broome County for maintenance such as brush hogging, trash pick-up, etc., wherein Broome County will pay the Town for their services. The Town would provide services from the time Aqua Terra opens and closes for the season.

Highway Department – New TV Screen & Surveillance Camera (Sentry Alarms) – Approval – Highway Superintendent Rolston provided the Board members with a quote from Sentry Alarms for a new TV screen and surveillance cameras for the Highway Garage. He will provide the Board with two more quotes for the September 20, 2022 Board meeting.

Highway Department – Union Contract – Approval – A motion was made by Councilperson Bensley to adopt a Resolution to adopt the Town of Binghamton Contract with Teamsters Local 317 of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters for 2023, 2024 and 2025, and the motion was duly seconded by Councilperson Leighton. There was discussion. All those present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

Ayes: Rounds, Donahue, Nye, Bensley, Leighton

Absent: None

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Declared adopted.

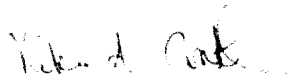
(Resolution Appended)

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by Councilperson Bensley to adjourn the meeting at 6:48 p.m., and the motion was duly seconded by Councilperson Leighton. 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 Tuesday, September 20, 2022, at the Town Hall, 279 Park Avenue, Binghamton, NY.*

Respectfully submitted,



Vickie A. Conklin  
Town Clerk

## 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 6th day of September, 2022 at 5:30 o'clock P.M. of said day, the following were:

PRESENT: Supervisor Elizabeth Rounds  
Councilperson Michael Donahue  
Councilperson Dean Nye  
Councilperson Michael Bensley  
Councilperson Mark Leighton

ABSENT: None

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

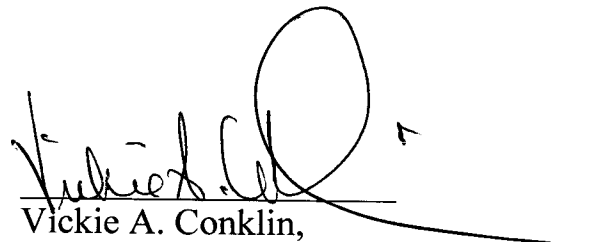
A roll call vote was then taken upon the Motion for the adoption of said Resolution, which resulted as follows:

AYES: Rounds, Donahue, Bensley, Nye, Leighton

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Resolution was then declared adopted.

  
Vickie A. Conklin,  
Town Clerk

**RESOLUTION:**

**WHEREAS**, by motion Councilperson Bensley has recommended that the Town Board approve claim numbers 676; 677-681; 682-697, and 698-724 as audited, and

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

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it

**RESOLVED**, that claim numbers 676; 677-681; 682-697, and 698-724 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 6th day of September, 2022 at 5:30 o'clock P.M. of said day, the following were:

PRESENT:           Supervisor Elizabeth A. Rounds  
                  Councilperson Michael Donahue  
                  Councilperson Michael Bensley  
                  Councilperson Mark Leighton  
                  Councilperson Dean Nye

ABSENT:           None

The Resolution set forth below was duly offered by Councilperson Donahue 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:           Supervisor Elizabeth A. Rounds  
                  Councilperson Michael Donahue  
                  Councilperson Michael Bensley  
                  Councilperson Mark Leighton  
                  Councilperson Dean Nye

NAYS:           None

ABSENT:       None

The Resolution was then declared adopted.



Vickie A. Conklin,  
Town Clerk



## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board has before it a proposal to adopt a Resolution to call for a public hearing on October 4, 2022 at 5:31 pm to consider public input on the proposed changes to the Town of Binghamton Schedule of Zoning of Regulations in R1 Residential One-Family Districts, and Section 240-6, Definitions of Building Accessory Units.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board adopts a Resolution to call for a public hearing on October 4, 2022 at 5:31 pm to consider public input on the proposed changes to the Town of Binghamton Schedule of Zoning of Regulations in R1 Residential One-Family Districts, and Section 240-6, Definitions of Building Accessory Units; 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 6th day of September, 2022 at 5:30 o'clock P.M. of said day, the following were:

PRESENT:           Supervisor Elizabeth A. Rounds  
                  Councilperson Michael Donahue  
                  Councilperson Michael Bensley  
                  Councilperson Mark Leighton  
                  Councilperson Dean Nye

ABSENT:           None

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

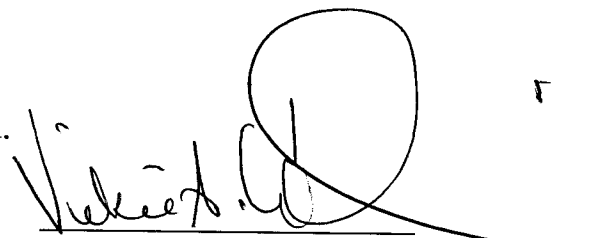
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                  Councilperson Michael Donahue  
                  Councilperson Michael Bensley  
                  Councilperson Mark Leighton  
                  Councilperson Dean Nye

NAYS:           None

ABSENT:       None

The Resolution was then declared adopted.

  
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Vickie A. Conklin,  
Town Clerk

## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board has before it a proposal to adopt the Town of Binghamton Contract with Teamsters Local 317 of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters for 2023, 2024 and 2025.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board adopts a Resolution to adopt the Town of Binghamton Contract with Teamsters Local 317 of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters for 2023, 2024 and 2025; 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.