

**TOWN OF NIAGARA
TOWN BOARD MEETING
7105 Lockport Road
Niagara Falls, NY 14305**

MINUTES

**Tuesday, September 20, 2022
6:30 PM**

PUBLIC HEARING

OPEN MEETING (Pledge, Roll Call)

Supervisor Lee Wallace called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. Attached is a Memorial Page of all the deceased Town residents who passed away recently.

Roll Call:

Present: Supervisor Lee S. Wallace, Deputy Supervisor Charles F. Teixeira, Councilman Richard A. Sirianni, Councilman Samuel Gatto, Councilman Marc M. Carpenter

Absent: None

Excused: None

Also, present Melissa Cerrillo, Deputy Town Clerk

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR (Announce changes to agenda, if any)

(§50-3 Privilege of the floor. Only members of the public sector are allowed to speak at this time and may address any agenda or non-agenda item. (3-minute limit)

No speakers

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Town Board Meeting of **August 20, 2022**

Motion to approve by Councilman Gatto, second by Councilman Carpenter.

Ayes – Wallace, Teixeira, Sirianni, Gatto, Carpenter

Noes – none

Abstain – none

Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

General Fund prepay vouchers [A] \$99,443.72

General Fund vouchers [A] \$59,460.85

Sewer Fund prepay vouchers [G] \$7,125.07

Sewer Fund vouchers [G] \$1,204.14

Water Fund vouchers [F] \$7,408.68

Water Fund vouchers prepay [F] \$3,524.72

Highway Fund vouchers [DA] \$108,477.31

Highway Fund prepay vouchers [DA] \$23,097.52

Fire Protection prepay vouchers [SF]

Fire Protection [SF] \$229.82

Street Lighting vouchers [SL] \$7,775.41

Street Lighting Pre-Pay vouchers [SL]
Trust & Agency Pre-Pay vouchers [TA] \$16,945.53
Trust & Agency vouchers [TA] \$28,734.38
Capital Projects prepay vouchers [H]
Capital Projects vouchers [H] \$1,405,864.84

Motion to approve by Councilman Teixeira, second by Councilman Sirianni.

Ayes – Wallace, Teixeira, Sirianni, Gatto, Carpenter

Noes – none

Abstain – none

Motion carried.

AGENDA

1. Resolution to purchase new water meters and reading system with software. Not to exceed the amount of \$20,000.00. Using the 2023 Water Department Share of the American Rescue Funds. (Beiter)

Motion to approve by Councilman Teixeira, second by Councilman Sirianni.

Ayes – Wallace, Teixeira, Sirianni, Gatto, Carpenter

Noes – none

Abstain – none

Motion carried.

2. Town Board approval is requested to withdraw \$1,350,000.00 from the Host Community Standing Committee Bank account to be used towards the park Improvements Project. The current balance in the account is \$2,462,033.00, after withdraw the balance will be \$1,112,033.00 (Wallace)

Motion to approve by Councilman Gatto, second by Councilman Carpenter.

Ayes – Wallace, Teixeira, Sirianni, Gatto, Carpenter

Noes – none

Abstain – none

Motion carried.

3. Resolution to appoint Angela C. Micale as a PT Police Officer with a starting date of October 3, 2022. (Wallace)

Motion to approve by Councilman Teixeira, second by Councilman Carpenter.

Ayes – Wallace, Teixeira, Sirianni, Gatto, Carpenter

Noes – none

Abstain – none

Motion carried.

4. Resolution to appoint Craig Guiliani as Provisional Police Chief as of September 21, 2022 for a period not to exceed 9 months.

Motion to approve by Councilman Gatto, second by Councilman Carpenter.

Ayes – Wallace, Teixeira, Sirianni, Gatto, Carpenter

Noes – none

Abstain – none

Motion carried.

5. Resolution to accept the resignation of PT Officer Vanik Aloian effective 09/21/2022. (Guiliani)

Motion to approve by Councilman Teixeira, second by Councilman Sirianni.

Ayes – Wallace, Teixeira, Sirianni, Gatto, Carpenter

Noes – none
Abstain – none

Motion carried.

6. Resolution to post and hire one FT Police Officer from the current Civil Service Certified list pending the outcome of the required PT test. Starting date to be determined. (Wallace)

Motion to approve by Councilman Teixeira, second by Councilman Gatto.

Ayes – Wallace, Teixeira, Sirianni, Gatto, Carpenter
Noes – none
Abstain – none

Motion carried.

TABLED

1. Discussion on the Security of the Town Buildings. (Wallace)
2. Resolution to declare a negative declaration on the associated SEQRA for the combination of lots/final site plan request of Wayside Nursery Inc., 7431 Porter Road, Tax Map #'s 145.12-32, 33 and 34. (Haseley)
3. Resolution to approve the combination of lots and final site plan request of Wayside Nursery Inc., 7431 Porter Road, Tax Map #145.12-32, 33, 34. (Haseley)
4. Discussion on hiring (2) PT police officers. (Suitor)
5. Discussion of hiring (1) FT police officer. (Suitor)
6. Discussion with Dresser and Metlecki regarding the 2021 audit review. (Wallace)

COMMENTS

Councilman Carpenter acknowledged Cooper Signs for being in business for 100 years. The Town Board presented John and Jennifer Cooper with an award. They are the third generation to run the store. All councilmen and Town Supervisor congratulated Craig Guilian on being appointed Provisional Police Chief. Craig Has worked long and hard and is deserving of this appointment. Town Supervisor spoke of our officer hurt in the line of duty, Kevin Gruarin, and hopes for a speedy recovery and thanks him for his service.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Councilman Carpenter second by Councilman Teixeira. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:43 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Cerrillo
Deputy Town Clerk