A regular meeting of the Town Board of Grand Island, New York was held at the Town Hall, 2255 Baseline Rd., Grand Island, NY at 8:00p.m. on the 5th of February 2024.

Present: Peter J. Marston Supervisor

Thomas A. Digati
Christian J. Bahleda
Councilman
Daniel F. Kilmer
Councilman
Councilman
Town Clerk
Charles W. Malcomb
Councilman
Town Attorney

Supervisor Peter J. Marston called the meeting to order at 8:00p.m. Pastor Kevin Slough from Trinity Church gave the Invocation. Councilman Daniel F. Kilmer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

This is an opportunity for residents to comment on any matter regarding the meeting agenda items only.

Speakers: None

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilman Digati, seconded by Councilman Bahleda to approve Minutes of Workshop Meeting #2, January 11, 2024, Minutes of Workshop Meeting #3, January 16, 2024, Minutes of Regular Meeting #2, January 16, 2024, and Minutes of Workshop Meeting #4, January 24, 2024.

APPROVED Ayes 4 Digati, Bahleda, Kilmer, Marston Noes 0

CONSENT AGENDA:

- 1. Golden Age Center Facility Usage November 2023
- 2. Meeting Minutes Historic Preservation Advisory Board May 17, June 21, July 19 and November 15, 2023
- 3. Building Permits Issued January 2024

A motion was made by Councilman Bahleda, seconded by Councilman Kilmer to approve the consent agenda as distributed.

APPROVED Ayes 4 Digati, Bahleda, Kilmer, Marston Noes 0

COMMUNICATIONS – TOWN BOARD:

SUPERVISOR – PETER J. MARSTON:

Monthly Supervisor's Report - December 2023

The Supervisor reported Cash Balance-Operating A/C of \$1,505,099 on December 1, 2023

Total Receipts of \$3,643,027

Total Disbursements of \$3,115,758

Operating A/C Interest \$5,225

Operating A/C Balance \$2,037,593

Investment Interest \$40,282

Investment Balance \$12,429,357

Total Cash Balance as of December 31, 2023, \$14,466,950

No action by the Town Board.

<u>Traffic Safety Advisory Board – Pavement Markings on Baseline Road (CR 249) at Whitehaven Road (CR 75), Baseline Road (CR 249) at Love Road (CR 548) and Grand Island Boulevard (NY Route 324) at Baseline Road (CR 249)</u>

A motion was made by Councilman Marston, seconded by Councilman Digati to refer the correspondence from the Traffic Safety Advisory Board to the NYS Department of Transportation and the Erie County Highway Department.

APPROVED Ayes 4 Digati, Bahleda, Kilmer, Marston

Noes 0

Support for Restoration of Watershed Performance

A motion was made by Councilman Marston, seconded by Councilman Bahleda to refer the letter requesting support of restoration of watershed performance to Governor Kathy Hochul, Attorney General Letitia James, Congressman Brian Higgins, State Senator Sean M. Ryan, State Senator Timothy M. Kennedy, Assemblyman Angelo Morinello, US Senator Chuck Schummer, US Senator Kristen Gellibrand, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation Region 9, NYS Thruway Authority and NYS Department of Transportation.

APPROVED Ayes 4 Digati, Bahleda, Kilmer, Marston

Noes 0

COMMUNICATIONS – OTHER TOWN OFFICIALS:

COUNCILMAN – THOMAS A. DIGATI:

Pay Correction

A motion was made by Councilman Digati, seconded by Councilman Kilmer to table the matter.

APPROVED Ayes 4 Digati, Bahleda, Kilmer, Marston

Noes 0

TOWN CLERK – PATRICIA ANDERSON FRENTZEL:

Reappointment - Marriage Officer

A motion was made by Councilman Bahleda, seconded by Councilman Kilmer to reappoint Patricia Anderson Frentzel as a Marriage Officer for the Town of Grand Island for a four-year term effective February 5, 2024.

APPROVED Ayes 4 Digati, Bahleda, Kilmer, Marston

Noes 0

TOWN ATTORNEY – PETER GODFREY:

Granger Residence and Recreational Pond, Staley Road – Re-approve Site Plan

A motion was made by Councilman Digati, seconded by Councilman Bahleda to refer Granger Residence and Recreational Pond, Staley Road – re-approve Site Plan to the Planning Board and set a Public Hearing for Monday, March 18, 2024, at 8:00p.m. who wants to comment on the matter.

APPROVED Ayes 4 Digati, Bahleda, Kilmer, Marston

Noes 0

RECREATION SUPERVISOR – JOSEPH MENTER:

<u>Resignation – Recreation Attendant</u>

A motion was made by Councilman Kilmer, seconded by Councilman Bahleda to accept the resignation of Elizabeth Mitchell as a Recreation Attendant, with regret, effective February 5, 2024. A certificate of appreciation will be sent to Ms. Mitchell.

APPROVED Ayes 4 Digati, Bahleda, Kilmer, Marston

Noes 0

Status Change

A motion was made by Councilman Digati, seconded by Councilman Bahleda to approve the status of Sheila Forbes to PT Recreation Attendant – Yr. 1 Leader, effective February 3, 2024, \$16.70/hr.

APPROVED Ayes 4 Digati, Bahleda, Kilmer, Marston

Noes 0

Remove Employee from Payroll

A motion was made by Councilman Digati, seconded by Councilman Kilmer to remove Elizabeth Mitchell from the Recreation Department payroll effective February 6, 2024.

APPROVED Ayes 4 Digati, Bahleda, Kilmer, Marston

Noes 0

Recreation Leader Pay Scale

A motion was made by Councilman Bahleda, seconded by Councilman Digati to approve the Recreation Leader pay scale adjustment to the approved May 5, 2023, amounts as listed below. The adjustment was overlooked at the time of the 2024 pay scale preparation.

<u>Year 1</u> <u>Year 2</u> <u>Year 3</u> \$16.70/hr. \$16.95/hr. \$17.25/hr.

APPROVED Ayes 4 Digati, Bahleda, Kilmer, Marston

Noes 0

TOWN ASSESSOR – JILL M. MURPHY:

<u>Request Permission – Request for Professional Services – Town Wide Reassessment Project</u>

A motion was made by Councilman Bahleda, seconded by Councilman Kilmer to authorize the Assessor to issue a Request for Proposals for Professional Services relating the Town-wide Assessment Project for the 2025 assessment roll.

APPROVED Ayes 3 Digati, Bahleda, Marston

Noes 1 Kilmer

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICE:

<u>Special Use Permit Renewal – NYSolar06, LLC, 2595 Whitehaven Road – Solar Energy</u> Farm

A motion was made by Councilman Digati, seconded by Councilman Bahleda to refer the Special Use Permit Renewal – NYSolar06, LLC, 2595 Whitehaven Road – Solar Energy Farm to the Solar Attorney for the Town.

APPROVED Ayes 4 Digati, Bahleda, Kilmer, Marston

Noes 0

REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE:

A motion was made by Councilman Bahleda, seconded by Councilman Kilmer to pay

Vouchers #144215 - #144396

General \$142,087.64 \$159,963.48 Highway Sewer \$102,136.26 Water \$122,809.06 Trust & Agency \$ 884.38 Capital \$215,025.86 Garbage \$152,430.00 Total \$895,336.68

APPROVED Ayes 4 Digati, Bahleda, Kilmer, Marston

Noes 0

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

<u>Local Law Intro #6 of 2023 – Amend Chapter 407, the Zoning Code of the Town of Grand Island, Regarding Allowable Uses in the M-1 District</u>

A motion was made by Supervisor Marston, seconded by Councilman Kilmer to refer Local Law Intro #6 of 2023 – Amend Chapter 407, the Zoning Code of the Town of Grand Island, Regarding Allowable Uses in the M-1 District to Erie County Planning and set a Public Hearing for Monday, March 18, 2024, at 8:00p.m. to hear anyone who wants to speak on the matter.

APPROVED Ayes 4 Digati, Bahleda, Kilmer, Marston

Noes 0

<u>Special Use Permit Amendment – Matthew & Cherrish Beals, 121 Amberwood Drive – Amend to Operate from a 2 to 3 Bedroom Bed & Breakfast</u>

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A motion was made by Councilman Digati, seconded by Supervisor Marston to approve the Special Use Permit amendment request from Matthew & Cherrish Beals, 121 Amberwood Drive – to operate from a 2 to a 3 Bedroom Bed & Breakfast.

APPROVED Ayes 4 Digati, Bahleda, Kilmer, Marston

Noes 0

SUSPEND THE RULES:

Grand Island Fire Company Contract – 1 Year Extension

A motion was made by Councilman Digati, seconded by Councilman Bahleda to Suspend the Rules to consider a 1 Year Extension to the existing Grand Island Fire Company Contract.

APPROVED Ayes 4 Digati, Bahleda, Kilmer, Marston

Noes 0

A motion was made by Supervisor Marston, seconded by Councilman Bahleda to approve a 1 Year Extension to the existing Grand Island Fire Company Contract, subject to the approval of the Town Attorney.

APPROVED Ayes 4 Digati, Bahleda, Kilmer, Marston

Noes 0

<u>CHA Consulting, Inc. Proposal for Increased Scope of Work – Long Road Distribution</u> <u>Facility, 2780 Long Road – SEQR Review</u>

A motion was made by Councilman Digati, seconded by Councilman Bahleda to Suspend the Rules to consider CHA Consulting, Inc.'s proposal for Increased Scope of Work – related to the SEQR review for the Long Road Distribution Facility, 2780 Long Road.

APPROVED Ayes 4 Digati, Bahleda, Kilmer, Marston

Noes 0

A motion was made by Councilman Digati, seconded by Supervisor Marston to approve the proposal from CHA Consulting, Inc. for Increased Scope of Work – related to the SEQR review for the Long Road Distribution Facility, 2780 Long Road.

APPROVED Ayes 4 Digati, Bahleda, Kilmer, Marston

Noes 0

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

This is an opportunity for residents to comment on any matter regarding Town government on any subject.

Speakers: Margaret Drzewiecki, Yusur Raheem

FROM THE BOARD:

- Thanks to Highway Flood/Drainage Issues
- Safety Increase Patrols on Grand Island

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Councilman Digati, seconded by Councilman Bahleda to adjourn the meeting at 8:37p.m.

APPROVED Ayes 4 Digati, Bahleda, Kilmer, Marston

Noes 0

A moment of silence was observed in memory of the following:

Judith Bassette Bruce Senn
Paul Bauer Raymond Arida
Marilyn Synakowski Ron Moscati

Wesley Link, Jr.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Anderson Frentzel Town Clerk